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BARBARA BUSH ELEMENTARY BOBCATS – January 15, 2020

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 16	9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	4 th Gr. Field Trip George Ranch
January 17	6:45 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. MP Room	Bush Breakfast Buddies A-M (Last Names)
January 17	7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Early Dismissal
January 20	NO SCHOOL	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 21	9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	3 rd Gr. Field Trip HMNS
January 27	4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. MP Room	Girl Scouts Mtg. #149044
January 28	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. MP Rm. & Cafeteria	4 th Gr. Writing Night Students & Parents
January 29	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. MP Room	2 nd Gr. Theater Performance PK – 1 st Gr., SpEd Parents Welcome!
January 30	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. MP Room	2 nd Gr. Theater Performance 3 rd – 5 th Gr. Parents Welcome!
January 31	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Prospective Bush Parent School Tour
February 8	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. MP Rm. & Cafeteria	Bush Bingo Bash!
February 13	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	K Field Trip Children's Museum
February 14	6:45 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. Cafeteria	Bush Buddies Breakfast N-Z (Last Names)

BREAKFAST IS A GREAT START TO THE DAY!

Breakfast is served in the cafeteria every day. Fresh fruit is available!
 7:15 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.
 HISD Nutrition Services
 (NO CHARGE)

THE SPELLING BEE WINNER IS...

Congratulations to all the third, fourth and fifth grade winners who participated in the Spelling Bee last Friday. After nine exciting rounds, Harshil Sanklecha was the winner.

1st : Harshil Sanklecha – 4th Grade
 2nd : Aditya Chowdhury – 3rd Grade

PROSPECTIVE PARENT TOUR

Bush Elementary will host a tour for prospective parents Friday, January 31st, from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Parent tours will be held by our Administrators. All visitors must have a valid government issued I.D. to enter the building. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before the scheduled start time to allow for sign-in and parking.

SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

The Spectacular Science Word for the week of January 13th is magnetism.

NO SCHOOL

Monday, January 20th is a holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Please enjoy this day off from school to spend time with your families, read a good book, and relax

REMINDER!

EARLY DISMISSAL THIS FRIDAY!

Early Dismissal Day is Friday, January 17th. The school day will be from 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

EARLY DISMISSAL LUNCH SCHEDULE

Our next early dismissal day is Friday, January 17th. The school day will be from 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Since it is an early dismissal, not all classes will go to the cafeteria for lunch. Each early dismissal day will have a grade level or two that will go eat a sack lunch or their own lunch in the cafeteria. For the early dismissal this Friday, 4th grade, Ms. Busse's and Ms. Mi's classes will go to the cafeteria for their lunch starting at 10:45 a.m. All other students will eat at home with their parents.

Why is this happening? State law does not allow lunch to be served before 10:00 a.m. There is no way more than a grade level or two can cycle through the cafeteria from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Why sack lunches only? The cafeteria staff will not have time to prepare a hot meal to be served by 10:00 a.m. Are students missing lunch? No, students are dismissed early enough to have lunch at home. If your PK – 5th grader goes to daycare, then please pack a lunch for your child to eat at daycare.

Will parents be able to come eat lunch at Bush with their child? No, parents can eat lunch at home with their child at 12:00 p.m.

Listed below is the lunch schedule for our next Early Dismissal Day:
 February 14th – 5th, Busse, Mi

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

Thank you, Holly Flynn Vilaseca, for serving as our HISD School Board Trustee.

EXECUTIVE POSITION

Do you want to be Principal for a Day or Assistant Principal for a Day? Every student who has perfect attendance with two or fewer tardies for the third nine weeks will be eligible for his/her name to be placed in a drawing to be Principal for a Day. In addition, every student who earns "E" in conduct for the third nine weeks will be eligible for his/her name to be placed in a drawing to be Assistant Principal for a Day. One boy's name and one girl's name will be drawn from the pool of eligible students during morning announcements at the end of the third nine-week grading period for each incentive. The Principals and Assistant Principals for a Day will be notified of their "work" day after the drawing.

PK 2020 - 2021 LOTTERY

HISD has taken over the lottery process for all PK programs. To be considered for the PK lottery at Bush Elementary, parents need to apply online at <http://hisdchoice.com/> Priority is given to students who are four on or before September 1st and who have an older sibling already enrolled at Bush Elementary. Then, the next priority is for students who are four on or before September 1st and live in the Bush zone. Due to the limited spaces available in our PK, no out of zone students will be included in the lottery for the Bush PK spaces. Students must qualify for PK following the federal guidelines that are outlined on the previously listed website. Tuition PK will not be available at Bush Elementary. It is highly recommended to complete the online application on an iPad. Do not forget to click on English or Spanish for the type of Home Language Survey that needs to be completed and uploaded. HISD will accept online applications until **February 28, 2020**. Please apply now.

PK LOTTERY HELPFUL HINTS

Please make sure to complete and upload the Home Language Survey and Birth Certificate. Many people have applied online without uploading any of the required documents.

BUSH BUDDIES BREAKFAST

Students can invite their favorite buddy to enjoy light refreshments with them at our Bush Buddies event in the Multi-Purpose Room. A buddy is a parent, relative, or special adult. Invitations have been sent home with students with last names beginning with A-M for their event on January 17th at 6:45 a.m. Entrance to this event will be from the Cafeteria, not through the office.

Students with last names beginning with N-Z will receive their invitations in February.

PTO NEWS

SPIRIT EVENTS

January 17 @ 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Sky Sports
14409 Parkhollow Dr.

Jump to Support Your School @ The Sky Sports!
Tell them you are a Bush parent, and a portion of the proceeds comes back to Bush PTO. Grip socks are available at an additional cost. Parents must sign a waiver for their children in order to jump and they must be present at the venue to supervise their children.

MARCO'S PIZZA BOX WINNER!

A big Thank You to all families for supporting the PTO in the Marcos Pizza Box Week. Your invaluable help made this week popular, enjoyable and a big success. Congratulations to Ms. Baldwin and her 1st Grade class for winning a pizza party from Marco's Pizza Box Week.

NATURE CENTER EVENT

Saturday, January 18th @ 9:00 a.m.
Thank you to all the families that joined us in December to start painting the bridge in the Nature Center. Come join us this Saturday to finish painting the bridge. Be prepared in painting clothes and bring a brush.

BUSH BINGO BASH

Saturday, February 8th
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
BBE's room parents have been working hard to coordinate fabulous prize baskets for this year's Bush Bingo Bash. To find out more about this fun annual event, visit www.BBEPTO.com. Discount ticket packets will be on sale online until January 31st. While you are there, please sign up to volunteer and help make BINGO a success!

BUSH BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

If your child(ren) have a Spring Birthday (January – July) consider joining the Birthday Book Club. Go to www.BBEPTO.com -> Programs & Events -> Birthday Book Club for more details.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Special thanks goes to Jacqueline Ramirez whose name was drawn as the December Star Volunteer! Jacqueline received an edible arrangement from our business sponsor Edible Arrangements on Eldridge Pkwy. We appreciate the energy all of our fantastic volunteers contribute to support our school.

BUSH BOBCATS – OUR LEARNING KNOWS NO LIMITS 2019-20

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