

Bloomington Elementary School Buccaneer Bulletin



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School Corner

A message from our Librarian, Susan Taylor

Dear Parents and Families,

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

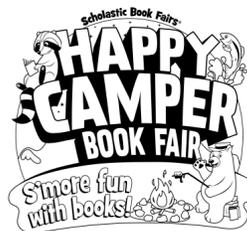
- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.
- Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level.

If you are unable to attend the Book Fair in person, we invite you to visit our Online Book Fair at scholastic.com/fair. Our Online Fair is available from February 6th to February 20th.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Sincerely,
Susan Taylor



A Message from Our PTA President, Nikki Nelson

Hello Parents and Students,

I have had such a great year serving as your PTA President. I am so thankful of all the support up to this point in all of our activities and look forward to working with you the rest of the year.

The PTA has some great activities coming up. Our students are rock stars and have earned the 1,000,000 minute ice cream party celebration. We will have a great opportunity for them to donate canned food for the food drive next week. The students at BES love to serve and this will be a great thing for our community. Dr. Seuss week is right around the corner and our reading gals have some fun activities planned in honor of his great books. Our year end reading party is going to be a foam party, and the students cheered with excitement when we announced it last week. It will be a great time for all our super readers to celebrate the minutes they've read.

Finally it is time for us to look for new board members. There are a few people who have been serving for several years who will be leaving this year as their last child graduates elementary school. We need new people to help us fill these positions as well as others that will be opening. Our current executive needs are for a Vice President. I am excited to announce Herschel Hill has accepted the nomination for President for the 2017-2018 school year. If you are interested in serving with him and his board please contact him at hhill922@gmail.com. You can also contact me at nelsonfam98@gmail.com. Serving on the board is a great opportunity to be involved with your students at school. I have loved serving on the PTA Board over the last few years and being involved. I look forward to continuing to volunteer on the board in other positions as my boys finish their elementary years.

Please remember that volunteers are just ordinary people with extraordinary hearts. They offer the gift of their time to teach, to listen, to help, to inspire, to build, to grow, to learn. They expect no pay, yet the value of their work knows no limit. They've know the unexpected joy of a simple hug. They've planted tiny seeds of love in countless lives. Volunteers are just ordinary people who reach out and take a hand and together make a difference that lasts a lifetime.

I hope you'll become one of the extraordinary hearts and join us in PTA. It truly is all about the kids. Here's to an awesome end of the school year and a bright future to the board for next year.

Yours truly,
Nikki Nelson
2016-2017 BES PTA President



February Calendar

- 1: Buccaneer Boots Medal & Buddy Bench Assembly
- 3: January Home Reading Calendars Due
- 8: PTA Reading Party— Million Minute Celebration
- 13-14: No Kindergarten (No OEK Feb. 13-17)
- 13-17: SEPs, Early Out at 1:15 all week
- 13-17: Canned Food Drive
- 13-17: Scholastic Book Fair, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
- 15: Parents & Pastries at 8:00-8:55 am
- 20: President's Day, No School



March Look Ahead

- 1: Medallion Coding Information Meeting at 3:45
- 2-9: Dr. Seuss Week
- 3: PTA Treasure Cove
- 6: PLC Early Out at 1:15
- 9: Community Council Meeting at 1:00 om
- 13-17: Spring Break, No School
- 22: Meet the Masters Parent Training
- 29: Meet the Masters Assemblies

PTA Membership

The PTA has had a wonderful show of support already this year. If you haven't joined the PTA yet, please do! You can volunteer as much or as little time as you are able to. Show your support by joining today for \$5.00. You can email Malia at maliamullins@gmail.com to become a member. Thank you!

PTA Board Meetings

PTA Board Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of every month at 9:30 am. The next meeting will be held Mar. 1. All PTA members and parents are welcome to attend.

Yearbook

As you take pictures of class activities, field trips, assemblies, etc., please remember to get groups of students, not just individual shots. We have limited space for each grade so the more kids in the pictures the better. Please email a few of your best pictures to bloomingtonyearbook@gmail.com after each activity. It is difficult getting pictures of all the students without your help, and we want to make sure everyone is included in the yearbook this year. We would greatly appreciate your efforts in helping us make this a great yearbook!



PTA emails

If anyone would like to receive PTA emails, which would include an email of the monthly PTA meeting minutes and other information, please send a message to bloomingtonelementary@gmail.com so we can add you to the list. Or if you would just like a copy of the approved annual PTA budget you may request one at the same email address.

Social Media

Like our Facebook Page for up to date information: www.facebook.com/bloomingtonelementarybuccaneers



Annual Canned Food Drive

We changed the dates of our Annual Canned Food Drive this year. It will be held during the week of February 13-17. February is the month of "LOVE," and we want our students to have the opportunity to learn about love, service, and giving to others! We also "LOVE" to support our community! Our donations will be given to the Utah Food Bank and delivered locally. Like in years past, we will have "themed" days to make it more fun, but we will accept anything any day. We will have a competition to see which class can bring in the most items. Last year we were able to collect 3,330 food items and we would LOVE to raise more this year! Our goal will be 3,500 items! Please watch for more information coming home as things get closer! Thanks in advance for your support. Also, if you would like to help with the canned food drive we would be happy to let you help! Contact Jill Hawkins at 435-862-8931 or sjahawkins@gmail.com



Box Tops

Our goal for this school year is to collect 10,000 Box Tops. We are very close to reaching our goal! So far we've collected 7,645. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents and every one makes a difference for both our school and individual classes. The top three Box Top collecting classes earn a party! We've listed the top four classes this time because it's such a tight race for third place. Our top collecting classes are:

- Mr. Gale's class: 2,006 Box Tops
- Ms. Derrick's class: 584 Box Tops
- Mrs. Anderson's class: 389 Box Tops
- Ms. Hu's class: 388 Box Tops



Bookaneer Home Reading Program

Thank you for "Reading like a Bookaneer". We have read over 1 million minutes this year as a school. In celebration, we will be having an Ice Cream Party on Wednesday, February 8th. All students who have read 2,300 mins will be invited to attend. Thank you for your support!! And thanks to our sponsors! You can see their logos at the bottom of this page.

We will be doing some extra fun reading activities for Dr. Seuss Week, March 2nd-March 9th. Please watch for more information!

If you have any questions or concerns about the Reading Program, please contact Jill Hawkins (435-862-8931, sjahawkins@gmail.com) or Jenna Vaughan (435-879-1181, jennalvaughan@gmail.com).

Buccaneer Boots Running Program

Thanks to all the volunteers, teachers, and kids who've participated in the Buccaneer Boots Running Program! On February 1st, we held an assembly to honor the students who had reached their half marathon or marathon goal by January 1st. The following is a list of those who received their reward (a gold medal and a foot keychain):

- Ms. Derrick's class: Gabriel Harris and Megan Turner
- Ms. Kung's class: Michael Anderson and John Lamb
- Mrs. Davis's class: Tanoai Andresen, Ryker Bundy, Erika Everett, Adalie Lee, and Stella Madsen
- Mrs. Trujillo's class: Mason Bain, Anna Gisle, Oaklee McKnight, and Lexie Reese
- Mrs. Bullock's class: Brandon McCook

Congratulations students! There are many who've since earned their reward or are very close. We encourage you to get out and run so we can give you the cheers and prizes you deserve! As a reminder, there will be a special trophy to the boy and girl from each grade who run the most laps, so get out and run during Tuesday and Thursday morning recesses!

Treasure Cove

The next Treasure Cove (school store) will be held on Friday, March 3rd. The students are always very excited for this! We would love to have some parents come help us. Volunteers will be needed at 8:50-11:00 or 11:00-1:15. If you can come help, please email Elisha Haberle at helpatbes@gmail.com.

Thanks to our Reading Program Sponsors!

