



Bay Park PTA Newsletter

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Don't Forget To Save Your Boxtops:

Bring your Boxtops For Education to the Monster Mash on October 24th and turn them in for a special treat.



It has been an exciting first month of school and there is so much more to come. First, our test scores for 2009 went up dramatically, and Bay Park has reached the benchmark of over 800 with a score of 832 for (API) Academic Performance Index. This is a testament to the hard work our teachers have done and continue to do.

We are very pleased to announce that we will implement the Junior Achievement program at our school this year, and hopefully each year from now on. This requires just one volunteer from each classroom to teach one hour a week for 5 weeks. Thank you to Lauryn Rice for bringing this amazing opportunity to our school.

We have some exciting new ideas in the works for our jogging club. A big thanks to Mr. Doerner for proposing and implementing these changes. Jogging club takes place every Tuesday and Thursday morning before school and is now up and running, (no pun intended).

It just keeps getting better and better here at Bay Park! Thank you to everyone who returned your volunteer forms for your commitment to our school. We appreciate it, and more importantly, your children will benefit tremendously. Don't forget to turn in your PTA membership, and your Sally Foster orders.

For our budget this year, we hope to achieve our goal of raising \$38,000. We try to come up with creative and practical ways to achieve this, and we hope that you can participate in a way that is suitable for you and your family.

Recycle Fridays are back! Bring plastic bags, batteries and toner cartridges every Friday.

For all you kindergarten and fifth grade parents, don't miss having lunch and recess with your child on Friday October, 16 for Parents, Picnic and Play!

Finally, we have our Monster Mash Bash coming up on the 24th. This is a free school-wide event for Bay Park Students and their families. I cannot wait to see all the "scary" and "spooky" costumes. If you want to help, it's not too late (see related article on page 2). We look forward to seeing all of you there.

Our next PTA meeting is October 13 at 6:30pm, childcare is provided. There was such a great turnout last month. I hope that many of you will come again and bring a friend!

Happy Halloween!

Lynne Bonenberger
PTA President



Upcoming Foundation Events...

By Patty Moreau, Foundation President (pjmoreau@san.rr.com)

Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 17th. The 5th Grade Committee will be holding a used book sale in the lunch court from 8:00 am -12:00 pm to raise money for the overnight trip to the Star of India. Prices are only \$1.00 for soft covers and \$2.00 for hard covers. We will have all types of books for sale, so come check it out!

We are also working on t-shirt designs for students and adults. Watch this space for more news on t-shirt sales in the near future.

Many thanks to the families who donated to our Library Book Club! Your generous donations will help to build our lending library. Certainly the gift that will keep on giving....

Finally, if you have not yet registered your credit cards with eScrip, it's not too late. Go to www.escrip.com and enter in the group name: Bay Park Foundation and the code 138056340. From there you can follow the step by step directions. Participating merchants contribute each time your family makes a

purchase using your registered grocery club cards or major credit cards. Some stores give back as much as 7-10% of the purchase price! This has to be the easiest way to earn money for our school!

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.



Christmas Tree Sales On The Way

Bay Park's second annual Christmas tree sale will soon be here.



Christmas Tree choices are Douglas Fir and Noble Fir.

Sizes from 5-6 ft. to 9-10ft. Prices start at \$40. **Guaranteed fresh cut within 24 hours** and delivered from Oregon or Washington. Hand picked from mom/pop grow-

ers, and best quality selected which is why our trees are pre-ordered. Pre-order from Oct. 19th-30th.

Trees will be available for pick up at Bay Park Elementary on Dec. 6th from 8am -noon .

Bay Park Elementary will earn 50% on each tree sold. The class with the most sales will earn a pizza party! On Oct. 19th, you will receive a flyer and order form where you can make your selection. Just turn in the top half and keep the bottom half to

bring as proof of purchase when you pick up your tree.

Have a tree already? No problem, you can donate a tree to a needy military family and still earn money for our school. Anyone can purchase! Neighbors, friends, businesses, anyone you know that would appreciate a fresh tree and knowing that half the purchase price will go to the students at Bay Park.

All trees are guaranteed or you will get your money back.

H1N1 Virus Update

Do you have questions about the H1N1 virus?

The PTA has information about, and a list of resources to deal with the H1N1 virus. To learn more visit www.pta.org/2940.htm.

PTA members have access to the PTA website. Last years membership card is good through Oct 31st and the website is www.pta.org. New membership cards will be going home soon.

Swift and Safe Drop-Off And Pick Up

Mornings and afternoons at school can be hectic and stressful. Finding parking or getting in and out of the drop-off zone can be especially tricky.

A few simple rules of thumb can help everyone have a much smoother experience.

The drop-off (or 3 minute) zone is meant to be just that, a place to quickly pull in and let children out quickly. Leaving your vehicle to go on campus, while parked in this area is

illegal and will get you a ticket.

When parking in the areas around school, please make sure to allow for other cars to park, while leaving enough room to get in and out of spaces. Just a few extra inches can help out another parent needing a spot.

Finally, please respect our Safety Patrol. They are out there every day to insure the safety of our kids.

You Are Wanted

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Volunteer opportunity of the month? Help us out at the Monster Mash! We need help with decorating/setting-up, manning all areas on the day of, and clean-up. Please consider donating an hour or more of your time to ensure a great event for our children.

For more information please contact
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We're on the Web!
www.bayparkpta.com

UPCOMING EVENTS: Mark your Calendars:

- Oct 5.....Evenings with Elizabeth at 6:15pm in the auditorium/
Monster Mash Meeting 6pm in the library
- Oct 8.....Volunteer meeting 9:15am
- Oct 9.....Student Recognition 2:45pm
- Oct 13.....Foundation 5:30pm/PTA meeting 6:30 pm
- Oct 16.....Parents, Picnic and Play grades K and 5
- Oct.19.....Final Monster Mash Meeting 6pm in the library
- Oct 19 -30Holiday Tree Sales
- Oct 21.....Picture Day
- Oct 24.....Monster Mash 3-6pm**
- Oct 28.....Make-up Picture Day

