



Bulldog Bytes

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Hello Beaver Lake Families!

As we enter the month of November and the season of Thanksgiving, we want to thank you for your membership in and support of Beaver Lake PTSA. As a member, you are a part of the State and National PTA which is a wide-reaching voice advocating for students and schools in our district, our state, and across the country. At the community level, your donations support specific BLMS parent, teacher and student needs. THANK YOU! Currently, our PTSA is at 55% membership. As positive as that is, we are striving to hit our goal of 100%. We encourage you to talk to friends and neighbors and ask them to join! Together, we can make great things happen in our school.

The PTSA has a lot happening in November. The Bucks for Bulldogs grant program is getting under way, and teachers and staff will soon receive tools and materials which will enrich the classrooms and other areas in the school. Bucks for Bulldogs is made possible through your generous donations. Teachers and staff will be submitting their proposals and requests in the next few weeks for items ranging from books to iPads and many other items in between. Watch for more information in the coming month to see a list of the grants YOU made possible.

The Reflections Art Contest is coming to a close with Beaver Lake winners being announced later in the month. The entries chosen from our school will move onto the district level to compete with students across the Issaquah School District. Good luck to all participants!

NOVEMBER FUN AT BLMS:

Book Fair – November 4-8: Send your student with some cash and encourage them to browse and buy at the annual book fair. Parents are also welcome to stop by. Look for more details in this newsletter. Sending a big THANK YOU to Lynn Taylor and the volunteers who make this event possible.

PTSA Trivia Night – November 15: Bring the family and join the fun! We will have fun trivia questions, fun prizes and some fun surprises. Trivia Night was a HIT last year, and we hope you can make it on November 15! This event is free, but please register at beaverlakeptsa.org. Thank you to the volunteers who are working to make this fun event happen. If you would like to help out, please contact Tara Farhad, VP of Volunteers, at volunteers@beaverlakeptsa.org.

We are thankful for the Beaver Lake Community and your investment in PTSA. Enjoy the month ahead!

Kindest regards,

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**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**

This year we are very short on volunteers.

Without volunteers, we are limited in what events and programs we offer at BLMS.

Most of our volunteer positions do not require a big time commitment so please take a minute and visit [BLMS PTSA Volunteers](#) to sign up today.

Email volunteers@beaverlakeptsa.org with any questions.



Teacher & Staff Appreciation Lunch

We were not able to host a lunch in October for our amazing teachers and staff but would really like to do it in November or December.

We are need of a couple of volunteers to organize the lunch - pick a theme, setup a signup list for food and volunteers.

Please grab a friend and sign up so that we can continue to offer this appreciation lunch.



Our 3rd annual Family Trivia Night is: Friday, November 15th

If you have not been before, **Save The Date** because it is So. Much. Fun.

We are looking for volunteers to help with this great family event.

Don't worry if you haven't volunteered before, this is an easy event with lots of guidance from people that worked on the previous year



- November 4th to 8th – Book Fair
- November 6th (Wed) - Dining for Kids @ Chinoise Sushi Bar & Asian Grill
- November 11th (Mon.) – Veterans Day – **No School for Students**
- November 15th(Fri) - PTSA Trivia Night
- November 28th & 29th – Thanks Giving Holiday – **No school for students**

PTA Membership Card

Thank you to those that have joined Beaver Lake PTSA. This week, you should have received your Washington State PTSA Membership Card via email. If you didn't receive it, please check your junk mail as some have been reported as going into the junk folder. This card allows you to take advantage of the discounts and benefits from the PTSA.

For those that haven't joined, it is not too late! Just go to our website, www.beaverlakeptsa.org. As a reminder, you need to renew your membership each year and you need to join at each individual school you have students at.

Thank you for supporting Beaver Lake PTSA!

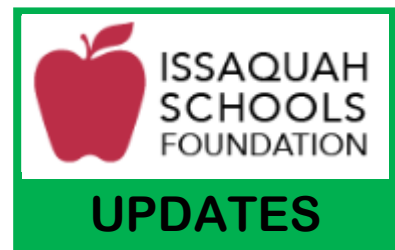
Issaquah Schools Foundation Updates

Dining for Kids

Join us on November 6th at Chinoise Sushi Bar & Asian Grill in Issaquah Highlands and Dine for Kids! Our Dining for Kids restaurant partners generously guarantee a portion of the day's proceeds as a donation to the Issaquah Schools Foundation that provides multiple forms of support to Issaquah School District students, including food aid. More information about Dining for Kids dates & locations can be found [here](#)

Shop for a Cause

Join the Issaquah Schools Foundation at the Golf Club at Newcastle November 14th and get a jump on your Holiday shopping! \$3 from each glassybaby and 20% of all Kendra Scott jewelry sales will be donated back to fund programs and resources for Issaquah School District students. Enjoy an evening on the Terrace (indoor) of the Calcutta Grill with friends, neighbors, and colleagues, and rally together to shop for a cause!



BLMS Scholastic Book Fair



November 4th – 8th
Lunch time + After school + ONLINE
Located in The Commons

Dear Parents and Students: Please support our library and help us celebrate books and reading! All profits from our book fair sales directly fund the purchase of books for the school library. We receive up to 50% of sales back in scholastic credit for the library to spend on books. We will have book recommendations on the shelves from our librarian to help you choose books. Thank you so much for your support!

NEW AND IMPROVED THIS YEAR

- Expanded online scholastic catalog
- Shipping directly to your home
- eWallet: set up an online account for your child, so your child can shop in school but pay with funds from that account. Set up from our book fair homepage below.

WAYS TO SHOP

1. Send money with your child to buy books at lunchtime or after school. We take CASH, CHECK, CREDIT or DEBIT card, or **NEW: eWallet** - you can set up an online credit or debit card, with a designated amount to be used.
2. Come into school to see us and shop. Please! We would love to see some adults at our fair.
3. Online shopping is available from our book fair homepage:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/beaverlakemiddleschool1>

HIGHLIGHTS

Diary of a Wimpy Kid #14: The Wrecking Ball is released on Tues 5 Nov – exclusive paperback for \$9.99 plus tax. We will have lots of copies available.

Other popular titles will be available, including:

- **Last Kids on Earth #5: The Midnight Blade** – Max Brallier (exclusive hardcover \$9.99)
- **Guts** – Raina Telgemeier (paperback \$12.99)
- **Allies** – Alan Gratz (exclusive hardcover \$9.99)
- **Wildfire** – Rodman Philbrick (exclusive paperback \$6.99)

Raffle: Receive a raffle ticket for every book purchase for a chance to win a variety of great books.

In School Shopping times

Mon 4, Tues 5, Thurs 7: 11.15 – 12.45, 2.15 – 3.30

Wed 6: 11.45 – 1.15, 3.15 – 4.30

Fri 8: 10.45 – 12.15

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