

BELMONT ELEMENTARY PTA NEWSLETTER



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Dear Belmont Families,

We hope you enjoyed our fun fall activities: the Fall Scavenger Hunt, International Week, the Book Fair, Bingo, Restaurant Nights (\$350 raised from Chick-fil-A), and more. Thank you so much to Laurice Wong for organizing and running outdoor lunch, and all of our volunteers who were there nearly every day. We really appreciate you! And not to worry, we have other opportunities! Sign up here: www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0948ADA82DA1FE3-ptacommittee. We hope you can join us at our December meeting with Mrs. Kelly, and we'll see you at events next year. We have a lot of fun events planned for the spring. Stay healthy and safe!
Your PTA Exec Board

Check out the new The PTA Directory in AtoZ, available through the Belmont website. Thank you to Amanda Stack. There's still time to join: belmontespta.membershiptoolkit.com.

SAVE THE DATE!



Dec. 7, 7:00pm (Zoom):
PTA Meeting with Mrs. Kelly

Dec. 23-Jan. 2: No School
January 14, 7:00pm: MLK Night of Service

January 17: No School
January 26: Belmont Spelling Bee
February 1, 7:00pm: PTA Meeting.

December Meeting with Mrs. Kelly!

Mrs. Kelly, our reading specialist, will join us on 12/7 for our next meeting. She'll share an Overview of Literacy at Belmont, including Benchmark, and answer any questions. We hope you can attend!

Green Committee December Challenge

Deforestation occurs when forested area is cut and cleared away for agriculture or grazing. Over 14 thousand square miles are lost to deforestation each year! Once lost, species of plants and animals are lost forever. Challenge: Plant a tree for the holidays and create a holiday (Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, etc.) decoration using materials from nearby trees or woods (e.g., pinecones, pine needles, acorns, etc.). Send photos to Amrita Ghosh to post. **Green Committee** invites parents and teachers to participate. Email GreenCommitteeBelmont@gmail.com to join. Thanks to Amrita Ghosh.

Fall Scavenger Hunt



49 students enjoyed searching their neighborhoods and checking items off their lists. Lucky winners won books signed by teachers and Mr. Pinkowitz. Thank you to our great committee: Liz Scheideman, Maria Schmidt, Nicole Britton, and Maya Fitts.

MLK Night of Service – January 14

Belmont's Social Justice Alliance is working hard to plan a night of service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Please stay tuned for details and up-to-date news about donation drives and community service-oriented projects. If you'd like to get involved, please contact stefaniepleasure@gmail.com

Belmont Spelling Bee

We are excited to host the 2022 Spelling Bee in-person on 1/26. The lists are coming home soon with testing the week of 12/13 for 3-5 graders. Thanks to Liz Scheideman for organizing.

Ongoing Fundraisers

Amazon Smile. Belmont Elementary can earn funds when you shop. Register at: <https://smile.amazon.com>

Green Belmont Bulldog face masks. Youth and adult sizes. \$8 or 3/\$20.



<https://form.jotform.com/202515201463139>

Box Tops for Education: Download the app and scan your receipt for eligible products
Harris Teeter: Register your VIC card to earn money for Belmont whenever you shop