

# Bryant Bulletin

A joint PTA/Campus Newsletter

November 8, 2017

## *Dr. Rhodes' Weekly Message*

Boosterthon is here!! Students will come home with information today. We hope everyone can participate but if not, we completely understand. Here is a quick video about Boosterthon and what your kids will be coming home with today! <https://vimeo.com/228381456/9754ab5047>

The Boosterthon Fun Run will be held in our gym on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> during each grade level specials time. We are excited to work with the Boosterthon Team during our major fundraiser of the year. Donations and pledges will be completely online this year which takes away the gathering of checks and cash. We are hoping this choice will make it easy for all participants. While there are some cool prizes for students who participate, there are some other "prizes" all students will receive as benchmarks towards our goal, and beyond. These include the admin team wearing crazy wigs, Dr. Rhodes roller skating in the halls for the day, making a human sundae of Dr. Rhodes and Mrs. O'Leary, the Admin Team serving lunch in the cafeteria, and a school-wide extra recess with a treat!! We are looking forward to a fun time!!

**Please Note:** We cannot accept doctor notes without a signature or previous illness dates that have been crossed out and someone has written in a different date. Thanks for your cooperation.

**For Your Information:** We will be taking class/group pictures next Wednesday. There will also be a camera setup for fall retakes. For those of you who ordered fall pictures, we should have the pictures by the end of this week and will send them home as soon as we get them. If you do not like the fall picture, please return all pictures purchased on Wednesday and this will prompt your homeroom teacher to send your student for retakes. If your child was absent for fall pictures, please remind your teacher so they can be photographed for the yearbook. Please note, if you chose a privacy code of, "No" upon completing your infosnap update at the beginning of the year, your child will not be photographed in the class picture.

**For Your Information-** If you are a parent of a student with Dyslexia, the district is offering an online class about Dyslexia. More information about this class can be found by [clicking here](#).

## *Event Calendar*

### **Wednesday November 8**

Boosterthon Fun Run Fundraiser begins

### **Thursday November 9**

3rd Grade Veterans Day Program, 6pm in the gym

### **Wednesday November 15**

Fall Retake Pictures and Class Pictures

### **Thursday November 16**

Progress Reports Go Home

### **Friday November 17**

Boosterthon Fun Run during Specials in the Gym

Thankful Thanksgiving Parties for each homeroom –

10-11am- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

11:40-12:40pm- Kinder & 5<sup>th</sup>

1:40-2:40pm- 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

## *Office and Other Information*

- Click [HERE](#) for the Bryant Website
- Click [HERE](#) for Katy ISD Home Access Center (HAC). Register to gain access to grades, e-news, etc.

### *Follow us via social media:*

**Facebook=** [Bryant Elementary](#)

**Twitter=** [@BryantElem](#) [#bengalpride](#)

**Website=** <http://www.katyisd.org/campus/bes/Pages/default.aspx>

*Elementary Gifted and Talented Screening*--The gifted and talented program in Katy ISD serves elementary students with a one day per week pullout program. If you would like your **1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> grade** child screened for Challenge for the **2018-19** school year, please request an Elementary Parent Checklist from the counselor's office or front desk beginning **October 26**.

The Parent Checklist form is also available online from [www.katyisd.org](http://www.katyisd.org). Look under Departments > Gifted and Talented. **Completed forms must be returned to the Challenge teacher by Wednesday, December 6, 2017.**

## *From the Art Teacher:*

Square 1 Art Reminder! Orders due Wednesday, November 8!

Don't forget to view and order your child's artwork at <http://www.square1art.com/shop>

ALL online orders and paper order forms are due Wednesday, November 8.

No late orders will be accepted.

Approximate product distribution will be the week of December 4. Watch for further details.

Square 1 Art is a wonderful fundraiser that celebrates your child's artwork along with helping the Bryant Art Department.

If you have any questions, please contact Jaime Marker. Thank you!!

## *Home to School Connection*

### **PARENT TO PARENT**

### **It pays to be kind**

We recently stopped to pay a toll, only to be told that the driver ahead of us had paid our way. My son John said, "But he doesn't even *know* us!"

I explained that the driver had done a "random act of kindness" — something kind without being asked or expecting anything in return. Big or small, I told John, these good deeds make the world a better place. My son said he wanted to do a random act of kindness, too. So after raking the leaves in our yard, he secretly raked our next-door neighbor's. He felt so good seeing her smile when she got home that he started looking for a way to be kind to someone else.

Now random acts of kindness have become a regular thing in our household. And John has discovered that when he does something for someone else, *he* is the one who feels good.♥



# *Information from the PTA*

## ***Bryant Ball***

Mark your calendars!! The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Bryant Ball will be on Friday evening, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 6-8pm in our gym. The Bryant Ball is open to all students and parents to attend. Get dressed up, come dance, and enjoy a visit to the Candy Bar. There will also be a DJ and Photo booth. PTA will update its Facebook page this Thursday, including pricing for PTA members and non-members. Further information will be sent home in today's Wednesday folder.

## ***Holiday Giving Tree***

Bryant PTA is sponsoring a Giving Tree which includes the needs of Bryant Families who have encountered hardships as well as Bryant teacher wishes. On Legacy Tile Night, families had the first opportunity to select an ornament and sign up for the need/wish on Sign Up Genius. We had a great response with over 1/2 the ornaments being selected! Thank you so much for your generosity! We need families who **chose an ornament on Legacy Tile Night**, to please record your contact information on Sign Up Genius here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080449afac2ba2fb6-giving3> by **Friday, Nov. 10th**.

On Friday, Nov. 10th, we will open The Giving Tree up to **everyone** who would like to participate. Please look for an email with information about the Giving Tree on Friday.

Questions? Contact Laura Bannerman, Giving Tree Coordinator @ [bryantptatreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:bryantptatreasurer@gmail.com)