



Belleme Buzz



BULLDOG PTO SPRINGS INTO ACTION

The PTO is working toward a great culmination to the school year. Some highlights include:

- Last week, the PTO approved funding for Smart TVs in seven classrooms (\$5,000) and the purchase and installation of two single-sliding whiteboards (\$5,000).
- Earth Week starts April 20th and the PTO has exciting plans including a Avila aquarium visit, bird song recordings, a visit from SLO Climate Coalition, a Cal Poly presentation, and daily crafts.
- Our final fundraising events of the year, the Annual Rummage Sale (April 20th) and School Carnival (May 19th), are approaching. We rely on volunteers for their success. Check inside to learn about ways you can help!

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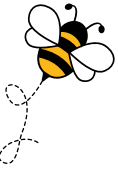
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HI BULLDOG FAMILIES –



I know that after some really good weather in March, Spring Fever is officially in the air and that we are all waiting for that consistent streak of 70+ degree weather for the next 7 - 8 months, especially with Summer right around the corner. But before we jump ahead to the Summer, we still have a few more months of school, and the PTO has some cool things in the pipeline, such as the **Rummage Sale**, the **School Carnival**, and the **Variety Show**. These events will help us finish the school year strong after a great year of focusing on building community between the school staff, Bellevue Families, and the PTO, as well as our fundraising efforts.

The PTO has been incredible this year, and I've been so proud of our board and each committee member for their efforts. Across the board, each of our committees is doing marvelous. Still, I want to highlight a few of them as the **Ongoing Fundraising Committee** continues to have a monthly schedule of great Restaurant Nights and other upcoming events. The **Staff Appreciation Committee** continues to have a full schedule of lunches and appreciation events planned for the rest of the year for the Bellevue Staff, thanking them for all the great things they do. The **Marketing Committee** launched a new school website (bsfcs.org) that looks wonderful and extremely user-friendly - be sure to check it out. The **Campus Beautification Committee** continues to find new ways to impress by creating beautiful scenery and a safe environment for our BSFCS community. Thank you all!

As for the Annual Fundraiser for this upcoming school year, we are beginning the early stages of planning. After the spectacular Annual Fundraiser this past November, it will be a hard task to follow that one up since it was so special but we will do our best to bring that same type of energy at the next event later this year. So please be on the lookout in the PTO Buzz next month for fun volunteer opportunities surrounding the Annual Fundraiser.

And lastly (and VERY unfortunately), the PTO will be losing two board members at the end of this current school year when they term out of their positions which means that we will be looking for a new Vice President and Treasurer starting this Fall. So, if you or anyone you know is interested in one of these two positions, please have them contact us at PTO@BSFCS.ORG. Joining the PTO is a great experience and is a tremendous way to be involved. Although there are many reasons to do so, I have found through my own experience and talking to other involved parents that our kids are super proud when they know that their parents are involved at school. Volunteering at your child's school is a huge benefit to them in the short and long term and is a time investment that will pay enormous dividends for your children.

In addition, please also remember that if you are unable to commit to a PTO position but would still like to learn of other ways that you can get more involved at Bellevue, please reach out to any of us on the PTO, to Julie Turk, or to any of the teachers to learn of other volunteer opportunities that you can take advantage of. I hope to see you more around campus soon :)

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CELEBRATING THE LOVE OF READING: BSFCS Celebrates Read Across America Week



Last month, Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter School brought the magic of books to life with a celebration of Read Across America week. The week was filled with fun events, from book swaps to a stuffy sleepover, that not only instilled a love for reading among students but also created a buzz of excitement throughout the school.

Book Swap: Kicking off the week on Monday, Bellevue students brought used books they wished to swap or part with to the swap table located by the school library. The students enjoyed sharing their old favorites and exploring new stories their friends enjoyed while choosing a book to take home.

Stuffy Sleepover: On Thursday, students brought their favorite stuffed animals to the library for a special sleepover. The stuffies were checked into the library, where they spent a lively night in the library. Meatball the Bulldog even made a surprise appearance to read and play games with the stuffies! The next day, students received photos of all the fun their stuffy got into the night before.



Therapy Dogs Visit: On Friday, students were treated to a surprise visit from therapy dogs during lunchtime. Students had the opportunity to spend time with the therapy dogs, petting and interacting with them while enjoying their favorite books.

Throughout the week, students were encouraged to log their reading and share their progress, resulting in an impressive tally of hours read. Thank you to all the students and parents who helped make the event successful. Special thanks to **Genie Kim** for coordinating the week's events and all the parent volunteers who helped make it happen!





ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

Last Day to Order is April 11th

Order Online at

<https://shop.memorybook.com>

Use School Code: 209235M

Don't let this opportunity slip away,
reserve your copy now!



COMMITTEE NEWS

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Please join us for a **Bellevue Parent Mixer at Bar Peixes** (in the SLO Public Market) on **Thursday, April 25** from **6-8pm**. Come out to enjoy some social time with our Bellevue Community and raise a little funds for our school.

Bar Peixes will generously donate back **25% of sales** back to the Bulldog PTO. Please mention Bellevue when ordering.



STAFF APPRECIATION

BSFCS PTO Staff Appreciation shared their gratitude for **Principal Julie Turk** on her birthday by delivering flowers to her office. We are so glad you were born Julie! You lead this school with such loyalty, steadfastness, and grace. Happy Birthday!

Michael Morris delivered sandwiches to the staff from Lincoln Deli on March 20th so they could enjoy them for their work afternoon. **Leslie Fow** will be delivering lunch to the staff from Jaffa to the staff in April.

Thank you to all the PTO Staff Appreciation volunteers and to the BSFCS Staff! We appreciate you!



SOCIAL + FUN-RAISER



BAR PEIXES

In the SLO Public Market

THURSDAY, APRIL 25 | 6PM - 8PM

Come out to enjoy some social time with our Bellevue
Community and raise a little funds for our school!

MENTION BELLEVUE & BULLDOG PTO WILL RECEIVE 25% OF SALES

REDUCE, REUSE & RUMMAGE SALE

Our 2nd Annual Rummage Sale is fast approaching! Hopefully you have started to save your gently used items to bring to school. Remember, if you wouldn't buy it, don't donate it.

Bring In Your Donations

Wednesday, April 17th -

Friday, April 19th

Before School and During Pickup

2nd Annual Rummage Sale

Saturday, April 20th

8:00 am to 1:00 pm

[Click here to sign-up to help before or during the sale](#)

[Click here to download the promotional materials and share them!](#)

Ways You Can Help

- 1 Share the flyer** on your social media accounts
- 2 Hang flyers** at your favorite spots around your community
- 3 Help collect and sort donations** the week of the sale before school and during pick-up
- 4 Sign up to help during the sale.** We need help with setup, cashiering, clean up and more during the sale

REDUCE, REUSE & RUMMAGE SALE

Hosted By the Bulldog PTO

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

8 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

BELLEVUE-SANTA FE CHARTER SCHOOL

KICK OFF EARTH WEEK & COME SHOP!

KIDS & ADULT CLOTHING
TOYS
BOOKS
BIKES/SCOOTERS
STROLLERS
HOME DECOR
SPORTING GOODS
AND MORE!



CASH AND VENMO ACCEPTED

All Proceeds Support
Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter School Bulldog PTO



CHECK OUT THE NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE!

The marketing committee partnered with Julie Turk to create an enhanced website experience for parents and community members. The website has new content and features for users to get to know our school and resources for BSFCS families.



Explore Our Programs

Discover what makes BSFCS programs special, including Garden, Peacock, Science/SciTech, and Visual & Performing Arts.

Get to Know Forums

Explore BSFCS forums where you can get to know our teachers and hear from them about highlights in their respective classrooms.





Find Resources for Families

Access important parent resources, such as the instructional calendar, school policies, and forms.

Get the Latest Enrollment Info

Find information and dates for the enrollment and the application process.



And More!

Explore our new website and discover all the new content and resources it offers. Our goal is to provide helpful communications for our school community and a valuable resource for all.

Check it out at: bsfcs.org

Send feedback/questions to: BulldogPTOMarketing@gmail.com



VOLUNTEER CALENDAR



Calling all Bulldog families! We have numerous volunteer needs this month for a variety of school activities. Please explore the calendar below and click on any listed opportunity to learn more or sign up and lend a helping hand!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	4/8	4/9	4/10	4/11	4/12
8:00am - 8:30am	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed
12:10pm - 1:10pm	SciTech Help Needed				Library Help Needed SciTech Help Needed
3:00pm - 5:00pm					Garden Work Party
	4/15	4/16	4/17	4/18	4/19
8:00am - 8:30am	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed Rummage Sale Help	Library Help Needed Rummage Sale Help	Library Help Needed Rummage Sale Help
12:10pm - 1:10pm	SciTech Help Needed				Library Help Needed SciTech Help Needed
3:00pm - 3:30pm			Rummage Sale Help	Rummage Sale Help	
3:00pm - 6:00pm					Rummage Sale Help Pizza & Shop Early!
Saturday, April 20th - Rummage Sale Help needed for various shifts throughout the day. View Here.					
	4/22	4/23	4/24	4/25	4/26
8:00am - 8:30am	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed
12:10pm - 1:10pm	SciTech Help Needed				Library Help Needed
	4/29	4/30	5/1	5/2	5/3
8:00am - 8:30am	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed
12:10pm - 1:10pm	SciTech Help Needed			Library Help Needed	Library Help Needed SciTech Help Needed



EVENTS CALENDAR

Yearbook Orders Due Thursday, April 11th

Order your Bellevue Yearbook today! Head to our online portal at <https://shop.memorybook.com> and enter School Code: **209235M** to place your order.

Time is ticking, as the deadline for orders is April 11, 2024! Don't let this opportunity slip away, reserve your copy now!

Garden Work Party Friday, April 12th

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
BSFCS Garden

We will be having our monthly garden work day Friday April 12th from 3pm - 5pm. We will be pruning fruit trees, running irrigation to new plantings, planting new vegetable starts, and so much more! Please come and join us!

Reduce, Reuse & Rummage Sale Saturday, April 20th

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
BSFCS

Kick-off Earth Week and come shop! Kids & adult clothing, toys, books, bikes/scooters, strollers, home decor, sporting goods and more!

Parents' Mixer at Bar Peixes Thursday, April 25th

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
3845 S Higuera Street,
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

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PTO Meeting Monday, May 20th

Via Zoom

Our final PTO Meeting of the year will take place on Monday, May 20th at 7pm. The meeting will take place via Zoom.

All parents and staff are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Zoom link will be posted as we get closer to the meeting date.



About Bulldog PTO

ABOUT US

The Bulldog PTO is a non-profit 501c3 responsible for raising funds for the benefit of the Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter School. Every parent and teacher is a member of the Parent Teacher Organization. We rely on parent volunteers to accomplish these goals through our PTO committees, special events, and fundraisers. For more information, visit bulldogpto.org.

PTO MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to allow the Teachers and Administrators to focus their energies on the academic opportunities and achievements of our students, while providing a platform for parents and community members to lend support and be involved. Our purpose is to enhance and support the educational experience of our students by:

- Developing and promoting a sense of school spirit and community
- Providing volunteer opportunities
- Providing financial assistance through various fundraising opportunities

PTO COMMITTEES

The Bulldog PTO includes four Board members and 12 committee chairs who, along with our wonderful parent volunteers, are all united by a shared passion for enhancing our school community.

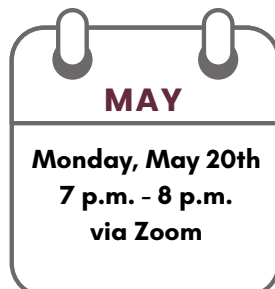
All of our committees are in need of volunteers. Our committees include:

- Annual Fundraiser
- Campus Beautification
- Garden
- Library
- Marketing
- Ongoing Fundraising
- SciTech
- Social
- Staff Appreciation
- Visual & Performing Arts
- Yearbook

To learn more about how you can get involved with a committee please go to bulldogpto.org/get-involved

PTO MEETING DATES

PTO Meetings are held every other month usually on the third Monday. All parents and staff are welcome and encouraged to attend! Please mark your calendars for these meeting dates for the 2023-2024 school year.



PTO DIRECTORY

PTO Board Members

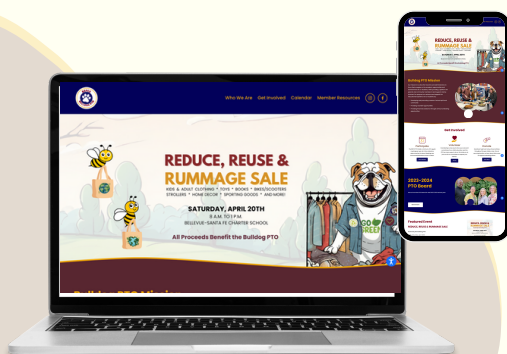
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- Get to know PTO members
- Learn about initiatives
- Find ways to get involved
- Latest PTO news
- Events calendar
- Member resources
- And more!





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