



## Belleve Buzz



# OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

## HAPPY OCTOBER!

Hi Bulldog Families,

We're coming up quickly on two months of being back at school, and I hope that everything has been going smoothly for all of your families and that your kids are settled into the school year.

As for the Bulldog PTO, I believe that we are off to an amazing start, and we have been working hard at raising money for the school, helping to increase school spirit, and planning fun things to help our families continue to connect.

The next big event that we are having will be our Annual Fundraiser (Gather & Give 2023) on Thursday, November 9th, from 5 pm – 10 pm. This event is sure to be a blast, and you definitely do not want to miss out on a fun night for all, including food, music, dancing, and more. We are going to have a great time that evening!

Please remember to follow us on our social media channels and to visit our website ([bulldogpto.org](http://bulldogpto.org)) regularly to stay in the know about what we're doing this year. We're also always in need of volunteers in various capacities so if you would like to learn more about where you can help, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We love hearing from you. Thank you for reading the PTO Buzz and create an amazing day!

**Mike Z. Robinson, Bulldog PTO President**  
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# THE BUZZ



## INTRODUCING MEATBALL THE BULLDOG. THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE BELLEVUE COMMUNITY!

Excitement filled the air at our morning assembly on September 14th as our school unveiled its newest addition to our family: our new bulldog mascot! Our new friend burst onto the scene to the tune of "Who Let the Dogs Out," spreading joy and enthusiasm as he darted around the room, giving out high-fives and breaking out some awesome dance moves.

Amid all the excitement, there was one piece of business to attend to: Our new bulldog needed a name. And who better to decide what his name should be than our amazing students? Students from all grade levels brainstormed creative and fun names, and then it was announced that we would hold a vote to choose the perfect name for our furry friend. The energy was palpable, and we couldn't wait to see what name would emerge as the favorite.



After the votes were counted, with overwhelming enthusiasm, we welcomed "Meatball" as the winning name! A name that perfectly captures his friendly and endearing personality.

We couldn't be more thrilled to have Meatball as an official member of our school community. He will play a vital role in boosting school spirit and adding excitement to our events and assemblies. With his boundless energy and contagious enthusiasm, Meatball is sure to become a beloved figure in the hearts of our students. Be on the lookout for Meatball at upcoming assemblies and events. If you're eager to learn more about Meatball's story and get to know him better, you can check out his bio on the [PTO website](#).

Welcome to the family Meatball! We can't wait to see the adventures and memories he'll create with us in the years to come.



## GET READY TO ROCK FOR BELLEVUE

Thursday, November 9th  
5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Château Noland

Tickets and Info at:  
[bulldogpto.org/gatherandgive](http://bulldogpto.org/gatherandgive)

## EVENT TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Get ready to rock for Bellevue at the Gather & Give 2023! Rock N' Roll is the theme! Break out those band tees, cowboy boots, leather, sparkles, or whatever makes you feel most comfortable!

Join us for food, music, dancing, costume contests, raffle prizes, live & silent auctions, and more!

For tickets and info: [bulldogpto.org/gatherandgive](http://bulldogpto.org/gatherandgive)



## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We would love every single Bellevue family to please consider donating an item, gift card or experience or to reach out to a business or vendor to donate. We need as many generous contributions as possible to help make this fundraiser successful.

No item is too small or too big. All donations are tax-deductible as we are a non-profit 501c3 organization!

[Please click here](#) to donate your item.

We have past examples of popular items but are also open to new ideas. Have a vacation rental? A special skill or hobby that you could teach? Are you a hair stylist, facialist, or masseuse, or have a favorite local one you'd love to support with a gift card for services? Love to host a home dinner party? Wine tasting? Are you an artist who could contribute a painting? Favorite restaurant or shop gift card? Awesome lessons that your kids love? Event tickets and experiences are also always a hit! Thank you for each and every contribution



## WE ARE ALSO CALLING ALL BUSINESSES AND CORPORATE SPONSORS!

Do you own a business or know someone who would consider a corporate sponsorship?

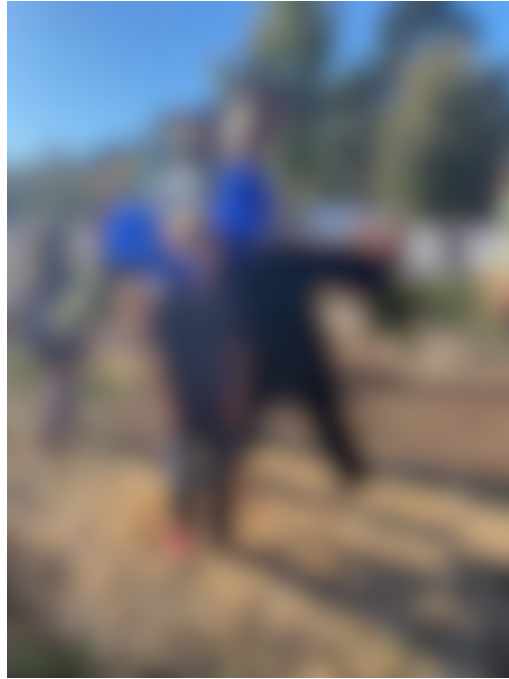
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# GARDEN UPDATES



## FRUITFUL HARVEST AND SCARECROW FUN AT THE GARDEN!

What a productive and informative month September has been for our kiddos! Students have been busy harvesting tomatoes, melons, apples, and honey over the past month. Some of the classes have got to spin the honeycombs and create labels for our jars of honey. We have made multiple salads, including Caprese salad which was delicious!

**Thank you Mr. Christian!**



*Garden Work Party!*

We will host our next Garden Work Party this **Friday, October 6th after school until 5pm.**

Please make sure all children are supervised by an adult.



# SCARECROW CREATION & PICKET PARTY THIS SUNDAY!

We will continue the tradition of decorating the garden with festive Scarecrows at our Scarecrow Creation & Picket Painting Party on Sunday, October 8th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. As you can see in the pictures below, it's fun to do with friends!

Please bring a Scarecrow Outfit or Costume (hats, flannels, large jeans, leftover Halloween costumes (last year we had Moana, ..." the world is your oyster" on this one! Also, don't forget to think about the face.

Items we will supply...

- Wood frame for the Scarecrows
- Hay to 'stuff' your Scarecrow
- Staple Gun, Zip Ties, Safety Pins, etc to secure the outfits onto the frame
- We have some burlap that we can use to create the faces, but masks are also fun and easy :)

This event is funded by the Bulldog PTO and brings so much festivity to the school garden...the children LOVE showing their family and friends their creations!

**PLEASE, please RSVP to Elaine Elmore at 805.801.1185** if your family or a group of families is planning to come create a scarecrow (so we have enough for everyone! We don't want anyone to miss out!)



## LEAVE A LASTING MARK ON THE GARDEN WITH YOUR OWN PICKET!

We will also be hosting a Picket Painting Party at the same time as the Scarecrow Creations are happening. For those families that would like to add a permanent artistic picket to the fence and support the final projects on the shed ~

countertops with sinks, kitchen storage countertops and shelves, and a workbench area in the shed...**PLEASE Venmo the PTO with \$50 per picket. In the note on the PTO Venmo, please state Picket ~ (Family Name).** We supply the picket, paint, brushes, etc...just show up and create. Or you can also take it home and create in your own time. We will seal another batch at the end of October and hopefully get them up on the fence.

We look forward to celebrating this beautiful Fall season out in our Bellevue Garden with our Bulldog Families!





# COMMUNITY BUZZ

## THE AVILA BEACH CHILDREN'S BUSINESS FAIR – SHOWCASING KIDS' ENTREPRENEURIAL GENIUS!

On Saturday, October 14th, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., the 3rd annual Avila Beach Children's Business Fair outdoor area will host young entrepreneurs and their booths at the Avila Beach Community Center. This event is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. There are over 75+ Booths (over double the amount of last year!) selling everything from homemade jewelry to dog and cat toys, child-authored books, sea glass art, hand-sewed gift items, potted plants, video game buttons, smoothies, decorated driftwood island shakers, birdhouses, toys, organic soaps and lotions and more!

Kids create a product or service, develop a brand, build a marketing strategy, and open for customers at this one-day marketplace. The children are responsible for the setup, sales, and interaction with customers, and the kids get to keep all the money from their sales!

This non-profit event is sponsored by the McKiernan Family and the generous support of our donors and volunteers, who all believe that principled entrepreneurs are heroes and role models for the next generation.

Whether an entrepreneur is famous, like Elon Musk or Oprah Winfrey, or one of the thousands of unsung business owners across this country, these entrepreneurs are the people who make sacrifices to innovate, create jobs, and serve their communities. Today's youth are tomorrow's business innovators and leaders. The Children's Business Fair gives students the opportunity to spread their entrepreneurial wings and get a head start on promising business careers. This event encourages the 3 Seeds of Magic: Making something with your own hands, selling it (safely) to someone you do not know, and experiencing the power and responsibility of a little hard-earned spending money in your pocket.

Awards will be presented in each of the four age groups for "Most Original Business Idea," "Highest Business Potential," and "Best Presentation/Creativity."

## SEVERAL BELLEVUE CHILDREN ARE PARTICIPATING THIS YEAR, AS WELL AS KIDS FROM SCHOOLS UP AND DOWN THE CENTRAL COAST.

The event will have FREE popcorn and water, and all entrants will receive a raffle ticket for entry to win a beautiful ocean-themed basket filled with items donated by the Central Coast State Parks Association and free passes to the Central Coast Aquarium in Avila Beach!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT

[childrensbusinessfair.org/avila-beach](http://childrensbusinessfair.org/avila-beach) or contact Kristen McKiernan at [kkmckiernan@gmail.com](mailto:kkmckiernan@gmail.com)



COME SHOP AND SUPPORT  
THESE LOCAL YOUTH AND  
THEIR DREAMS!

**Saturday, October 14th**

**10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Avila Beach Community  
Center



# 2023 Avila Beach Children's Business Fair

(Free and Open to the Public)

## What:

Kids develop a brand, create a product or service, build a marketing strategy and then open for business in this one-day marketplace

Experience young minds marketing, selling, counting money and feeling accomplished! Come be a shopper and help Avila Beach's young entrepreneurs launch their businesses! They keep all the profits!

**When:** Saturday, OCTOBER 14, 2023 | 10am – 1pm

**Where:** Avila Beach Community Center

(outside Garden and back parking lot Area)

191 San Miguel St, Avila Beach, CA 93424

For more information visit our website:  
[www.childrensbusinessfair.org/avila-beach](http://www.childrensbusinessfair.org/avila-beach)

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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## **Library Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, October 4th**  
11:30 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
School Library

**Come see the latest new books we have added to our collection!**

Updates to Book Fair plans and schedule next work day.

## **Library Work Day**

**Friday, October 6th**  
9:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
School Library

**Help with tidying, organizing, processing books, resolving returned books, etc.**

## **Garden Work Party**

**Friday, October 6th**  
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
School Garden

**We will host our next Garden Work Party on Friday, October 6th after school until 5pm.**

Please make sure all children are supervised by an adult.

## **Scarecrow & Picket Painting Party**

**Sunday, October 8th**  
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
School Garden

**Join our Scarecrow Creation & Picket Painting Party, a beloved tradition in our school garden! Kids adore showcasing their scarecrow creations to family and friends.**

You can also help support the final projects to the shed by adding a permanent artistic picket to the fence! Pickets are \$50 and we supply the picket, paint, brushes, etc...IF you'd like to paint a picket, please Venmo the PTO with \$50 per picket. Let's make our garden shine together!

## **Avila Beach Children's Business Fair**

**Saturday, October 14th**  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Avila Beach Community Center

**Come support young Bellevue entrepreneurs at the 3rd annual Children's Business Fair!**

Over 75 children from the Central Coast will showcase their creations, from jewelry to books and more. Kids run their own booths, learning valuable business skills and the keep the money they earn! Come shop, support local kids, and witness the magic of young innovators.





# EVENTS CALENDAR (Cont.)

## **PTO Meeting**

**Monday, October 16th**

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
via Zoom

**Our October PTO Meeting will take place on Monday, October 16th at 7 p.m. via Zoom. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!**

PTO Meetings are held every other month, usually on the third Monday of the month. All parents and staff are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Zoom link will be posted as we get closer to the meeting date.

## **Restaurant Day & Night at Pizza Republic**

**Wednesday, October 18th**

11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Pizza Republic  
3810 Broad St., San Luis Obispo

**Join us for Restaurant Day AND Night at Pizza Republic!**

Whether you stop by for lunch after pick-up or make it a fun dinner night out, **Pizza Republic will donate 20% of ALL sales throughout the day** to support our school.

Help us spread the word to your friends and family, and come join us for a delightful gathering of food and fun!

## **Ambiance Gives Back Fundraiser Event**

**Tuesday, October 30th**

9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Ambiance Boutique  
737 Higuera St., San Luis Obispo

**Join us at Ambiance Boutique for a delightful day of shopping while supporting our school!**

**10% of all sales will support Bellevue Santa-Fe Charter School.**

Come in the morning beginning at 9 a.m. for a breakfast pastry spread, or stop by in the evening to enjoy Champagne and charcuterie, courtesy of Amber Idell. Don't miss out!

## **Gather & Give 2023 Annual Fundraiser**

**Thursday, November 9th**

5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Château Noland  
6445 Monte Road  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

**Get ready to rock for Bellevue at the Gather & Give 2023!**

**Rock N' Roll is the theme! Break out those band tees, cowboy boots, leather, sparkles, or whatever makes you feel most comfortable!**

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Join us for food, music, dancing, costume contest, raffle prizes, live & silent auction, and more!

Live music by Steppin' Out!

**For tickets & info: [bulldogpto.org/gatherandgive](http://bulldogpto.org/gatherandgive)**

# PIZZA ★ REPUBLIC



## Restaurant Day & Night!

October 18 ~ 11am-8pm

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3810 Broad Street  
San Luis Obispo

Come in for lunch after  
pick-up or make it a dinner  
night! Pizza Republic will  
donate 20% of ALL sales  
ALL day! Tell your friends  
and family!





# AMBIANCE GIVES BACK



**SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL!**

**10% OF ALL SALES SUPPORT**

**BELLEVUE - SANTA FE  
CHARTER SCHOOL**

**MONDAY  
OCTOBER 30TH**

**ALL DAY EVENT!**

DOORS OPEN AT 9:00 AM  
COME ENJOY COFFEE AND TREATS  
WHILE YOU SHOP TO SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL!

BREAKFAST PASTRIES IN THE MORNING  
CHAMPAGNE AND CHARCUTERIE IN THE EVENING  
PROVIDED BY AMBER IDELL

**AMBIANCE**



# 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](http://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](http://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.

<b>OCTOBER</b> Monday, Oct. 16th 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. via Zoom	<b>DECEMBER</b> Monday, Dec. 18th 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. In-Person	<b>FEBRUARY</b> Monday, Feb. 26th 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. via Zoom	<b>MARCH</b> Monday, Mar. 18th 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. via Zoom	<b>MAY</b> Monday, May 20th 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. via Zoom
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# PTO DIRECTORY

## PTO Board Members

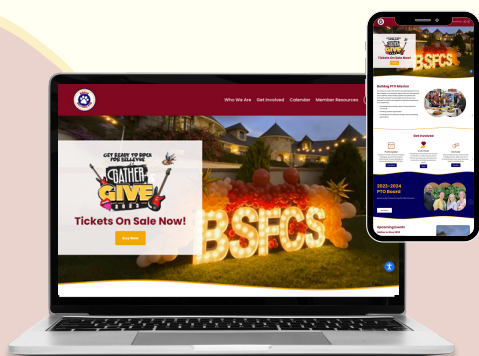
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**Visit Our New PTO Website!**

[www.bulldogpto.com](http://www.bulldogpto.com)



- 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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