Brent Elementary
October PTA General Meeting
October 25, 2017
Agenda

• Introduction
• Holiday Sale Update
• Annual Fund Update
• Equity in Education Townhall Recap
• Report Cards and Parent Conferences
• Q&A
Support for Family Night
Shop for Brent

• Harris Teeter School Code: 7117

• [Sign up at escript.com](http://www.brentelementary.org/support-brent.html) (Group ID #: 11873183)

• Register your Safeway Club Card
Amazon Smile

• Go to smile.amazon.com

• Brent PTA gets 0.5% of each eligible purchase

Your current charity
Robert Brent Parent Teacher Association has received

$582.24
23 of August 2017
For Example

KidsFunwares

KidsFunwares TriceraTACO Taco Holder - The Ultimate Prehistoric Taco Stand for Jurassic Taco Tuesdays and Dinosaur Parties - Holds 2 Tacos - The Perfect Gift for Kids and Kidults that Love Dinosaurs

Price: $12.94 | FREE One-Day Delivery tomorrow for FREE with qualifying orders over $35. Details

Your cost could be $2.94: Qualified customers get a $10 bonus on their first reload of $100 or more.

In Stock.

Get it tomorrow, Oct. 26. Order within 3 hrs and choose One-Day Shipping at checkout. Details

Eligible for AmazonSmile donation.

- THE ULTIMATE TACO HOLDER: Thought to be extinct the prehistoric taco holder is back... and ready to carry two of your favorite tacos on its back!
- JURASSIC TACO TUESDAY: Turn your next Taco Tuesday Jurassic, devouring tacos with style!
Jefferson Academy 5K

On Sunday, November 5 at 9 a.m. hotel colleagues and guests will begin the race at the hotel’s front drive. The and winds around the National Mall before returning to the hotel for a celebratory breakfast and silent auction at approximately 11 a.m.

$45 for Adults (includes pre-race snacks, stretching session, event t-shirt and post-race breakfast)

Kids 12 and under are free!!!

https://www.razoo.com/story/Mandarin5k
Brent Elementary School’s 7th Annual Christmas Tree & Holiday Sale

Status and Information Update

Organizing Co-Chairs: Josh Drobnyk, Alyson Lewis, and John Fleming
Important Dates

• **Nov. 8th** – Student Store switches to **ONLY** sell pre-order items for the sale
  • Clothing, car magnets, stuffed bears, and water bottles will **NOT** be available to purchase through the website.
  • All trees, wreaths, garland, winterberry, poinsettias, tree stands, and Hanukkah items will be available to pre-order when the switch occurs on Nov. 8th.
  • Clothing, car magnets, stuffed bears, and water bottles **WILL** be available to purchase at the sale itself.

• **Dec. 4th** – Student Store switches back to selling regular store items
Important Dates

• **Nov. 28**th – Last day to pre-order items for the sale
  • Last day for $5 delivery fee discount and last day to hold items by pre-ordering.
  • We often run out of certain items quickly once the sale starts.
  • After the 28th, if you want a tree delivered it will be based upon when you buy and how busy we are. Pre-order and lock in the exact day and time window you want.

• **Nov. 30**th **Around 7:30pm** – Trees, wreaths, and garland arrive at the school for unloading. We will be sending out notices but the more there are, the quicker the process.
Important Dates

• **Nov. 30th – Dec. 3rd** – Do whatever you do to create/enable/push/collect/obtain positive vibes to ensure that we have great weather like we had last year for the sale.
  • But note that the sale will still happen (and everyone should still participate) no matter what.
Important Dates

• **Dec. 1\textsuperscript{st} Morning-4pm** – Set-up for the sale
  • We will be looking for volunteers that can assist in getting just about everything set-up for the sale itself.
  • Bake sale item drop off
  • Bring some gloves and a smile.
  • Anytime you have on that Friday will be helpful.
  • Remember, **NO** school for the kids on Friday, Dec. 1\textsuperscript{st}.

• **Dec. 1\textsuperscript{st} 4-7pm** – The sale is in full swing but **for** delivery of trees
  • Tree deliveries are **ONLY** for Dec. 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd}.
  • Get in early and get your perfect items ASAP.
Important Dates

• **Dec. 2\textsuperscript{nd} 9-5pm** – The sale is on
  • Scheduled pre-order deliveries run all day.
  • Festivities abound.
  • More bake sale items please.

• **Dec. 3\textsuperscript{rd} 9-5pm** – The last day of the sale is on
  • Final deliveries are made.
  • Final sales are completed.

• **Dec. 3\textsuperscript{rd} 5-8pm** – Clean up time
  • Monday, Dec. 4\textsuperscript{th} is a school day so we need to get the school back to tip top shape ASAP.
  • Any last bake sale items are likely consumed by now.
Status of Sale

• All trees, wreaths, garland, poinsettias, winterberry, and Hanukkah items for the sale have been ordered.
• Trees, wreaths, and garland arrive on the night of Nov. 30th.
• Poinsettias, winterberry, and Hanukkah items arrive by Dec. 1st.
• Everything is planned to be physically located and sold outside; however, poinsettias will be kept inside for the sale.
• Pricing for every major item (not bake sale items) will be on the Student Store website on Nov. 8th.
• Volunteer lists and requests will be going out shortly. We need any time you can commit.
Bake Sale Items

• Bakers and chocolatiers needed
  • Last year was the first year we included bake sale items and treats.
  • The success of such was much greater than we anticipated it would be going into it.
  • We will be sending out reminders and requests for baked items, ideally related to the holiday theme but not 100% necessary for your best treats.
  • Specifics on the requested types and manner of items will be sent out later.
  • **PLEASE NOTE**: The co-chairs (or at least one) reserve the right to remove and solely consume any item(s) deemed too good to share with the general Brent community.
New This Year

• Picture taking session with Santa
  • Exact date(s) and time(s) to be determined (as Santa has a rather busy schedule hopping from one mall to another this time of year).
  • Pricing will be $10.
  • Santa will be suited and seated with a background of a decorated tree(s) and wrapped gifts.
  • Children (and/or adults) can get as many of their own photos with Santa during one sitting.
  • No waiting for photos to be printed.
  • No package deals when all you want is the digital copy to send out.
  • Status of elves is uncertain at this time. But no reindeer for sure.
Volunteer

• Cannot be stressed enough for the need
  • There are numerous days to help.
  • There are numerous times to help.
  • There are numerous jobs to help.
  • Sign-up lists and reminders will be going out shortly.
  • Please let any of us know if you have a question/concern (e.g., sometimes I have trouble lifting heavy items, then we will only have you lift the ultra 9-10 foot trees only sometimes).
Organizing Co-Chairs:

• Josh Drobnyk
  • Father to Avery (3rd), Eleanor (1st), and James (K)

• Alyson Lewis
  • Mother to Elizabeth (3rd) and Jane (K)

• John Fleming
  • Father to Colton (3rd), Cooper (1st), and Beckett (rising PS-3)

• Contact Email: brentholidaystore@gmail.com
2017 Annual Fund Campaign

GOALS:
• Raise - $120,000
• Participation – 90% family participation
• Shorter Drive

CAMPAIGN TO DATE (through 10/22):
• Raised - $27,871 + Pizza Night Fundraiser $1,400
• Participation- 15% of families
Class Giving Rates

PK: Bailey - 25%, Miller - 19%, Montgomery - 0%, Sadowsky - 17%
K: Copeland - 12%, Hannigan - 13%, Santora - 21%
1st: Isaacson - 25%, Bisanz - 5%, Yokum - 14%
2nd: Berg - 14%, Kadash - 19%, Clark - 24%
3rd: Hill - 24%, Kraemer - 14%, Maschari - 10%
4th: Leary - 17%, Werstuiik - 5%
5th: Wilson - 0%, Saxton - 5%
How You Can Help

1. **GIVE TODAY** - Online at bit.ly/BrentFund or by check - PTA box in the front office.

1. **PHONE BANK** - On Thursday Oct 26 and Wed Nov 15, 6:30 - 8:30 - easy script, very effective, snacks & drinks.

1. Ask your **employer for matching contributions**.

4. **Eat at Lavagna** on Weds. in Nov. - % goes to PTA Annual Fund
2017 Annual Fund Campaign

Special Thanks to Taoti Creative and Lavagna

Contact Us:
Co-Chairs - Christy, Cara Spaccarelli, Kevin Reger
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Equity in Education
Townhall Recap
Principal Lycknell
Communicating Progress: Report Cards and Parent Conferences

Principal Lycknell
The Calendar

Term 1:
- Ends October 27th
- Parent Conferences on November 3rd
- Report Cards distributed and mailed after Parent Conferences

Term 2:
- Ends January 19th
- Report Cards mailed on January 29th
- Parent Conferences on March 2nd

Term 3:
- Ends April 6th
- Report Cards mailed on April 17th
- Parent Conferences on May 24th

Term 4:
- Ends June 15th
- Report Cards mailed on June 18th
- No Parent Conferences for term 4 (staggered schedule)
Report Card Overview

- Standards-based Report Cards
- All subjects assessed except library
- Number Grades
- Standards Progress
- Behavior Scale
- Comments
ECE Report Cards

- Different schedule
- GOLD reporting system: 72 standards
- GOLD age bands
- Comments
Number Grades

- 4,3,2,1 scale not analogous to letter grades
- 4: shows independent initiative
- 3: meeting all or almost all expectations
- 2: meeting some expectations
- 1: meeting few expectations
- Include all work for the term not just the named standards
- Normed across grade levels
Standards Progress

- Standards randomly selected
- Not a comprehensive list of grade level standards
- **Beginning, Developing, Secure, Not Introduced**
- Represents the level to which the standard is assessed at that point in the year ("secures" increase)
- In rare cases, a student may have been observed exceeding the assessed point
- Template provided
Behavior Scale

- Considers classrooms conduct
- Independent, Limited Prompting, Frequent Prompting, Rarely
- I: without redirection or prompting
- LP: occasional redirection or prompting
- FP: redirection or prompting daily
- R: needs support multiple times daily
Comments

- MVP of Report Cards
- Includes all core subjects and social-emotional progress
- Overview of class learning
- Specific examples of skill learning
- Anecdotes where applicable
- Goal for each core subject
- Special subjects comments in rare cases
Making Meaning

- Involve your student
- Ask your child to reflect
- Set goals together
- Avoid comparisons
- Ask for clarification when needed