

THE TUES. NEWS 11-15-2016

BRENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MUSEUM MAGNET PROGRAM

Coming Up

Wednesday, November 16

LSAT Meeting
6:30 - 8 p.m.

Friday, November 18

Health and Fitness Day
Uniform Free Day

Thursday - Friday, November 25 and 26

Thanksgiving Break
No School for Students

Wednesday, November 30

PTA Board Meeting
6:30 - 8 p.m.

Friday, December 2

Professional Development Day
No School for Students

Friday - Sunday, December 2 -4

Brent's Annual Holiday Tree and Greenery Sale
Pre-order at brentelementary.org

Wednesday, December 7

PTA General Meeting
6:30 - 8 p.m.

Remember - For the latest updates visit brentelementary.org, Like Brent's Facebook page and Brent at @brentelementary on Twitter.



Parent Action Needed: Springboard Survey on Brent Website - Please Complete

The Brent Elementary School PTA Board has heard several concerns regarding the recent changes made by the Springboard program. The PTA Board has begun a dialogue with Springboard to address these concerns. At the same time, we are also working to ensure Brent has an after care program in place that works for our families.

The PTA Board has developed a short survey to attempt to quantify what the Brent community would

like in their after school care program. A link to the survey can be found on the Brent website's parent page (<http://www.brentelementary.org/parents.html>). Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts with us.

Third Grade Visits the Navy Museum

The third grade recently visited the Navy Museum to learn about the history of submarines, ships in battle, and the diverse jobs people held aboard naval ships. Students explored different types of ships, as well as what materi-

als these various ships were built from. This field experience also provided a wonderful opportunity for students to honor and celebrate our veterans. A huge thank you to Denise Krepp for organizing this fantastic experience for our students. See photo on front page.

Book Fair Is Coming:

The Book Fair will run from December 3 to December 9. It will be open Monday through Thursday from 8 - 8:30 a.m. and from 3:30 - 6 p.m. On Friday it will close at 4:30 p.m. Grand opening will be on Saturday, December 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., which coincides with the Christmas Tree Sale; this is a great opportunity to accomplish a good portion of your holiday shopping at Brent.

Please consider helping with the fair; volunteers are needed for set-up on Thursday, December 1, right after school, for clean-up on Friday, December 9, at 4:30 pm, and to sell books. If you can help, please contact Ms. Bettina at bettina.schewe@dc.gov.

Brent Thanks Bullfrog Bagels!

You nourished our tired (and a bit dazed!) parents, teachers and students on the morning after the election with fabulous bagels and wonderful coffee. We so appreciate your ongoing support of Brent Elementary School's PTA regular coffee and bagels events!!

Brent Christmas Tree Sale is Now Taking Orders!

On December 2-4-- Brent Elementary School PTA will be holding our 6th Annual Holiday Tree and Greenery sale! The website (<http://brentstore.com>) is now up for pre-orders! As usual, we will have the best prices and freshest items including:

- Fraser Fir Christmas trees (deliv-

ered within 2-3 days of being cut)
- Wreaths (boxwood, cedar, Fraser fir)

- Garland (boxwood, cedar, white pine)

- Poinsettias (red, white, pink)

- Winterberry

- And much more...

Home delivery of your tree (Capitol Hill only) is available for \$20 (pre-orders get delivery for \$15!) We also have a large variety of beautiful Hanukkah items for sale! If you have any questions about the Tree Sale, please email brentholidaystore@gmail.com

*Please note that the school store is on hiatus during the time of the holiday sale. The usual online offerings of clothing items and spirit goods will be back on the website in December, but if you need something in the meantime please contact Candace Fleming at candacesigmonfleming@gmail.com.

Calling All Brent Volunteers

On December 2-4, the Brent PTA will be holding our 6th Annual Holiday Tree and Greenery Sale! This is a huge fundraiser for the school, and cannot be done without the amazing help of Brent parents. And, well, it is a whole lot of fun! If you are willing to join our winter wonderland and volunteer for a shift or two, email Alyson Lewis at alysonandjeff@gmail.com with the times and days you are available. Shifts will be Friday 12/2 -- volunteers needed all day-- the sale is from 4:00-7:00; Saturday 12/3 -- 8:00 am-12:30 and 12:30-5:00; Sunday 12/4 -- 8:00 am-12:30 pm and 12:30-5:00.

Hip Scarves Needed (Health and Fitness Day)

We are in need of coin belts or hip scarves for the belly dance class for Health and Fitness Day this Thursday, November 18. If you have one at home that you can lend us, it would be much appreciated. Please get in touch with Ms. Santos (sharon.santos@dc.gov) if you have one to loan us or you can also leave the hip scarf in her mailbox labeled with your name, child's name, teacher and contact number to facilitate the return of your item. Thank you!

Join the Brent Beat SOME Trot for Hunger Team

On Thanksgiving Day, join the Brent Elementary Bears at the 15th Annual SOME Trot for Hunger. This is Brent's 3rd straight year participating, and in 2014 our team was the 4th-largest fundraiser in the event! Consider joining our team. It's a lot of fun and there are activities for everyone.

More details can be found by clicking here or here: <http://support.some.org/goto/brentbears2016> Thanks to Kelly Vielmo for organizing a team for another year!

Calling all Crafty Kids!

Do you like to work with your hands and make creative things? In January, Springboard will be starting a Craft Hands Club featuring sewing, knitting, weaving and other handicrafts for girls and boys. We will make pencil cases, pillows, friendship bracelets, and other fun crafts using materials such as fabric, felt, yarn and buttons. The club will be open to children in grades 1st - 5th. The club will meet on Tuesdays from 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. beginning in January. Watch for an email from Springboard about winter registration and get a spot before it fills up!

