

Bobcat Bulletin

Blue Hills Elementary

8/22/17

Audrey Prouse, Principal

Principal's Message:

Welcome to the 2017/18 school year! The first days of school have gone smoothly which is pretty amazing when you consider all the “firsts” that are happening. Our first Principal’s Coffee was fun and well attended, as well as Curriculum Night last week. As you are all aware, this is my first year as a Principal in Cupertino Union School District. So far, so good! I am continually amazed by the parent and staff community here at Blue Hills! It is also many first for your children; the first time that your child has been with this *new* set of classmates in this *new* classroom with their *new* teachers. I am looking forward to seeing how the classes come together as a cooperative learning unit, and have some fun while doing so. What an exciting time of year!

I hope you like the new format of the Bobcat Bulletin. We have a new school website, district website, and now a new newsletter. It’s important to remember change is a good thing most of the time and when we model this for our children, then they become flexible thinkers with growth mindset!

I could not conclude my first Principal’s Message without an enormous shout out to EVERYONE who made a smooth and productive launch of yet another school year. PTA members, BHEF members, volunteers who did traffic duty this past week, all staff, and parents who just dropped by to say hello and check in with our wonderful office ladies. You are all greatly appreciated and I know I’m in good hands this year.

Enjoy reading our newsletter where you will gain an enormous amount of important information. If you can’t find it here, please take some time to familiarize yourself with both the school and district websites. Most of what you need to know will be located in these places.

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Upcoming Events:

8/24 Grade 5 Science Camp Parent Information Meeting @ 2:40pm in the GLC

8/26 CEEF 5K Run

8/29 Dine-Out at Panda Express



Board of Education

Anjali Kausar, Liang Chao, Kristen Lyn, Soma McCandless, Phyllis Vogel

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Chris Jew

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(New Superintendent Dr. Craig Baker begins Oct. 1)

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8/30 Picture Day

Picture Day is next Wednesday August 30th! Bud White, our photographer, will take individual student photos which are available for purchase. Order forms will be sent home with your student. If you wish to purchase photos, please return your order forms to your student's teacher by August 30th, or skip the envelope and make your purchase online by August 30th @www.budwhite.com using event code "BLUFALL17"

School Reminders:

Traffic Reminders:



- THANK YOU to all the parents who volunteered for traffic duty to get the year started safely!
- Pull all the way to the front of the curb and please follow the traffic duty's requests.
- Use the crosswalk when walking through the drive.

Student Drop Off-Please do NOT drop off students before 7:50am. There is no supervision before that time so it is a safety measure to not drop off students early. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Lost and Found Items-Please take a moment to have your student check lost and found for any lost clothing, water bottles or lunch boxes. Due to health and safety concerns, water bottles, plastic food containers and lunch boxes will be disposed of on the **first** and **third Fridays** of the month.

Yellow Enrollment Cards were sent home in your child's Friday folder (or you received them at Curriculum Night). If you took yours home, it must be returned to your child's teacher immediately! Preview the information for accuracy. Cross out and change incorrect information. Make sure parent phone numbers and emails are correct as we use these to contact you for a variety of reasons. If you do not pick up your child after school, please indicate your child's after school provider and their phone number.

BHEF

Always Working Towards Your Child's Educational Excellence!!

DONATE TO BHEF TODAY

Please turn in your donation envelope! Donating to BHEF is the best way to make an ongoing commitment to the students! 100% of your donation stays at Blue Hills and goes directly to serving the all K-5 students!!

The new art instructor, the instructional aides, math club, K-3 music is all possible due to parent donations to BHEF! Continue the programs offered to your children!

Tuesday, Aug 29 Panda Express Dine Out, Friday, Sept 22 Movie Night, Friday, Sept 8 Dance



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PTA Information:**

Blue Hills Elementary PTA Newsletter

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Blue Hills
BOBCATS

Stay Connected, Stay Informed!

My School Anywhere Database:

New Families
Please go to join.myschoolanywhere.com on your web browser.

- Enter the code: [bhptanewfamilydata](#), please press the "Accept Invitation" button
- Enter your contact information (used for PTA and classroom communications, and for the PTA Student/Family On-line/Mobile Directory)
- Please **add your information** by Friday, **September 1, 2017**.
- A link to the online directory will be shared in September to all paid PTA Members.

Returning Families
Please verify your information for the **PTA Online Directory**.

- Returning families will receive an email with an e-confirm link.
- Review / **update your information by September 1, 2017**. Please review the information even if nothing has changed so we have confirmation.
- If you do not receive an email, please email bluehillspatadirectory@gmail.com and provide your name, your child's name, grade and teacher, and preferred email address.

Why Join the PTA?

What is PTA? Why join PTA? The number one reason to join the Parent Teacher Association is **to benefit your child**. In doing so, you also help your school. Become a member! It's only \$20 per member, and we rely on your memberships and donations!

By getting involved at your child's school, you'll be part of the solution, helping make positive changes. By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

Please Complete Insurance Waiver

An insurance waiver form was sent home in Friday Folders last week. Each student must complete and sign the form in order to participate in PTA programs and events.

Please email bluehillspatadirectory@gmail.com with any questions.

Communication
Questions? bluehillspatadirectory@gmail.com
Website: bluehillspata.org
Facebook: <http://tinyurl.com/bhfacebookpage>
PTA Forms: <http://tinyurl.com/bhptaforms>
Traffic Sign Up: <http://tinyurl.com/jxqu35o>
PTA Calendar: <http://tinyurl.com/24ofa32>

Upcoming Events

- ♦ Labor Day - 9/4
- ♦ BHEF Dance - 9/8
- ♦ Computer Club First Meeting - 9/8
- ♦ PTA Association Meeting - 9/12
- ♦ Running Club Kickoff - 9/15
- ♦ Staff Learning Day - 9/15
- ♦ Book Fair - 9/18-22

For more, visit the PTA calendar at <http://tinyurl.com/24ofa32>

District News:

[CEEF](#)

3rd Annual “Run for Great Schools”

5K and Fun Run

Saturday, August 26, 2017, 8:30 a.m.

Memorial Park, Cupertino, CA



Please join CEEF in celebrating the beginning of our new school year on Saturday, August 26th, 2017 at 8:30 AM for our 3rd Annual “Run for Great Schools” 5K and Fun Run!

Run, walk, or cheer on your favorite runner/ team on a fun course that crosses the Don Burnett Bridge. All net proceeds from the event will benefit the [“Music Unites: One Note at a Time” campaign](#) for district-wide TK-8th- grade music for the 18,000+ students of CUSD.

[Online registration](#) for the “Run for Great Schools” 5K and Fun Run is now available and closes on August 24th at 12 Midnight. On-site registration will be available on the day of the race, August 26th, from 7 AM – 8 AM only.