



November 25, 2018

Unit # 020476

PTSA NEWS

PTSA / School Calendar - Upcoming Dates and Events

THIS WEEK

- Tuesday, November 27th - 6:30pm - Math Adventure Volunteer Meeting
- Thursday, November 29th - 6:30 - 8:30pm - Somerset Maker Mall
- Friday, November 30th - Passport Check Day
- Friday, November 30th - 6:15pm - Movie Night - "Incredibles 2"

NEXT WEEK

- Wednesday - Friday, December 5th - 7th - Book Fair
- Friday, December 7th - 6:15 - 8:15pm - Math Adventure

UPCOMING

- Monday, December 17th - Somerset Spirit Day
- Wednesday, December 19th - Staff Appreciation Event - Cookie Blizzard
- Friday, December 21st - Last Day Of School
- Monday, December 24th - January 4th - No School - Winter Break

Somerset Maker Mall

Thursday, November 29th from 6:30 - 8:30pm

All Somerset families are invited to join us for our annual Maker Mall from 6:30pm to 8:30pm on Thursday, November 29th in our Cafeteria/Gym. Come shop for a variety of handmade arts & crafts, created by our *very own* Somerset students and families.

With 60 vendors, this is a great opportunity for both adults and kids to shop for toys, artwork, clothing, jewelry,

chocolate, bake goods and chance to win prizes if you come and shop! Please note that vendors will be *cash only* and remember to bring small bills. This is a FREE community event, so invite your friends and your whole family! Don't miss out this great chance to make holidays merrier!

Movie Night

Friday, November 30th at 6:15pm

Please join us for our 2nd Movie Night of 2018-2019 on Friday, November 30th at our Cafeteria. Disney PIXAR movie "Incredible 2" will be aired. Doors will open at 6:15pm and the movie starts at 6:30pm. Concessions such as popcorn and snacks will be available for purchase. This event is for families and is **NOT** a drop-off event. We are recruiting volunteers for this fun family event. If you would like to help, please sign up [HERE](#).

Somerset Math Adventure - Secret Agent - Volunteer Meeting

Tuesday, November 27th at 6:30pm

Math Adventure Game Night is only two weeks away. A prep meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, November 27th at 6:30pm in the school library. All team volunteers are expected to attend. Volunteer roles will be available to signup. Some training will be provided. Help is also needed for a few assembly and craft work. Thank you.

This meeting is not intended for team coaches. We will NOT talk about puzzles and levels. There will be another meeting for that purpose.

Reflections "Heroes Around Me"

Congratulations to this year's WSPTA Reflections school winners! The Reflections program supports the arts in the Somerset School and is sponsored by Somerset PTSA. We had an art show this year on November 16th where all the students' entries were displayed and the students present were awarded for their participation.

This year 23 entries are going to the council. The name of the winners are:

Visual Arts:

Primary (K-2): Vera Wang, Sophia Zhang, Bingming Tang, Amy Liu, Yaxuan Xiong

Intermediate (3-5): Michelle Han, Luran Yang, Channing Huang, Caleb Kim, Cameron Lee, Ethan Pang, Caileen Wan, Arin Lee, Olivia Lee, Jiahn Jin, Siqi Shi, Lucas Fan,

Literature: Evangeline K Ha, Rouchen Xu, Joy Pelletier, Yining Guo

Photography: Kyle Wang

Film Production: Kian Truong Ho

The students who could not make it to the art show will be receiving their certificates and ribbons from their respective teachers by next week.

Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday, December 3rd - Friday, December 7th

The Somerset Library Book Fair is coming up the week of Dec 3rd - 7th. Please plan to join us to shop for wonderful titles from our new vendor, Scholastic Books, for your family and our school. The Book Fair is sponsored by the PTSA for the benefit of our library, which supports all of our Somerset students.

VOLUNTEERS are also needed to make the book fair a success, and you are invited to sign up [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Bravenec at bravenecs@bsd405.org.

See you at the fair!

- Friday, November 30th – Volunteer team sets up fair after school
 - Monday, December 3rd - Wednesday, December 5th - Class and teacher preview visits to the fair
 - Wednesday, December 5th - Book Fair sales begin immediately after school (1:15pm dismissal on Weds), evening event until 8:00pm
 - Thursday, December 6th – Book Fair Sales before/during/after school, Family Night 4:00 - 8:00pm
 - Friday, December 7th – Book Fair Sales conclude (8:00am - 12:00pm ONLY), Takedown of fair begins at NOON.
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Auction Volunteers Needed

To make the Somerset auction a success we need your help. We are still looking for your support and need volunteers for the following positions:

Procurement:

multiple volunteers are needed to join the procurement team. They will solicitate donations (in-kind donation) by email, telephone calls, online application form or in-person visit. 60% or more of solicitation will be done by email. All contact information will be provided. Must be self-motivated. Volunteers are expected to set and stay on their own schedule, track progress, and keep contact with prospective donors until final response is received. Procurement is challenging but very rewarding. Talking to different people (most likely strangers) is great experience after all.

Wine drive manager:

help organize a wine drive (collect unopened wine donation from community). The donation will be used in wine toss, a small and interesting game at auction night.

Please contact us at somersetpsa@gmail.com to sign up for one of the open positions.

Thank you to the following businesses for sponsoring our auction 2019 'Million Dreams'

Silent Auction / Table Sponsor



General Sponsor



We are looking for more sponsors. Please email us at somersetpsa@gmail.com if you want to be a sponsor to our auction 2019.

Passport Club

Do you know that in middle school, the students will get tested on over 100 countries? Let's get them prepared by familiarizing them with some of these countries early! You can help your child by having them participate in Passport Club. If you and/or your child are interested, please have them stop by the front office for a study packet. Each month they will get tested on the countries listed on the provided monthly maps. If your child's teacher does not have a separate Passport Club testing date, your child can come during their lunch recess to get tested. Prizes will be given to students who pass the level for their grade each month.

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help with the October Passport Club session and the wonderful students who came by to test their knowledge. Our next check will be on Friday, November 30th. Here is the link to sign-up or to view the testing dates and times: <http://signup.com/go/bPvquFm>

Thank you for supporting Passport Club!

SCHOOL NEWS

Somerset Spirit Day

Monday, December 17th, is “Cozy Pajama Day” at Somerset. The Somerset family group that has the greatest percentage of participants wearing PJ’s will win a prize and be featured in the morning announcements

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Then kick off the giving season with #GivingTuesday, a one day global online giving event on November 27th. Generous donors will double your donation. Gifts of \$100 or more will be matched—up to \$5,000! Give [online](#) @ [bsfdn.org](#) or text “Kids” to 27722.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Tyee Holiday Bazaar

Friday, November 30th from 5:30 - 8:30pm

The Tyee PTSA is excited to bring back our free community event, the Tyee Holiday Bazaar on Friday, November 30th from 5:30 - 8:30 pm at Tyee Middle School. Join us for a fun evening of food, shopping, games and entertainment - including our own **Somerset Choir**.

Free performances will run throughout the Bazaar and will include the International Ballet Theatre (IBT). IBT dancers will showcase ballet variations from Tchaikovsky’s “The Nutcracker”. Treat yourself to the full performance by visiting the IBT vendor table to purchase tickets to the December 19 (Wed.) 7 p.m. show at the Meydenbauer Theatre for \$25.00 per person (cash or check only). This discount of more than 50% off regular adult price is not available anywhere else. Take a photo with a ballerina and learn about IBT’s classes for all ages. For families with Tyee students, enter the gingerbread contest for a chance to win 2 tickets to IBT’s Nutcracker. For all other bazaar shoppers, enter the raffle to win 2 tickets to IBT’s Nutcracker.

Bellevue Thunderbird Little League

Registration is Now Open for Softball and Baseball!

Boys and Girls from ages 4 to 16 will have fun while learning the game. The Thunderbird season runs from April – June and is typically a two days per week commitment. We provide free training to players and coaches of all levels so that players and parents learn the fundamentals and skills of the game that will help build a strong foundation for many years to come.

Research shows that TEAM SPORTS:

- Promotes physical skills and an active and healthy lifestyle
- Builds camaraderie and lifelong friendships
- Develops leadership skills through cooperation and teamwork
- Creates a sense of belonging/team membership through social interaction
- Helps with discipline, patience, persistence and self-esteem
- Strengthens individual and team goal setting skills
- Provides an opportunity for parents and children to bond together

Bellevue Thunderbird Little League is a non-profit organization committed to enriching the lives of our boys and girls and fostering a love of the game by providing a fun and safe environment in which to play competitive baseball and softball, regardless of a player's ability. For more information, check us out at www.bellevuethunderbird.com

Directory / Links

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