

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS PTO NEWSLETTER



BLACK MOUNTAIN PRIMARY & ELEMENTARY NEWS

Jan/Feb 2019

Welcome Back!

We hope that everyone has had a fantastic break. It has been wonderful to relax, recharge, unplug and catch up a little.

This past semester we helped build a new playground at the Primary School, organized two Fun Runs, a Family Movie Night, and a Family Winterfest celebration at the Elementary School.

The Staff Appreciation Committee has been busy too. They had teachers fill out their "Favorite Things" survey and sent it home (you can find a copy in the front office), supplied candy in the teacher lounge (donated by Ridgecrest Summer Camps), provided \$100 reimbursement for each staff member to use for classroom supplies, supplied "Room Service" for all staff at both schools (delivering treats staff had ordered off a menu), organized volunteers to help serve at the Holiday Meal, organized a "Holiday Coffee" breakfast at both schools (with help from Dynamite Coffee and lots of volunteers), and catered ...

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Event Calendar

January

- 7th PTO Executive Board Meeting; 3:15pm BMP Media Center
- 21st No School; MLK Day
- 22nd No School*
- 24th Animal Ambassadors  Program; 8:30am at BME
- 25th Spirit Day
- 29th Report Cards



February

- 1st BoxTops Contest Begins at Both Schools 
- 4th PTO General Meeting; for both schools; 3:15pm Elementary School Media Center
- 8th Early Dismissal
- 11th-15th "Love the Bus" School Driver  Appreciation Week
- 22nd Spirit Day
- 25th Early Dismissal

(*possible make-up day, dates could change with weather closings; BME Clubs will still meet on early dismissal dates as usual)

BMP = Black Mountain Primary, BME = Black Mountain Elementary

PTO Programs

Staff Appreciation
Black Mountain Schools Give Back
Grounds/Gardens
Lunch Buddies

Room Parent Program
Parent Coffee Social
Communications
Specific Events and Fundraisers

Know a CPA or retired CPA? We are looking for someone to help us with a third party audit in June 2019.



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BME VP: Erica Griffin



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... a lunch for the cafeteria staff as a thank you for their hard work last semester.

If you are interested in joining this incredible team, please email SaraStillwell@gmail.com at the Primary School or AmyCBerry@gmail.com at the Elementary School.

Thank you to all of our many volunteers who have made all of these events a success!

BMS PTO, Communications Team



Bookkeeping Assistant

Our treasurer could really use help keeping up with receipts for both schools. Please email us if you are interested!



Primary School Playground Committee

We are looking for some parents to help us dream big when it comes to future projects. If you have any interest, please email us!



Thank you Volunteers!

If you are one of the many volunteers at our school – thank you so much for all you do!

If you are interested in mentoring a student (i.e. Lunch Buddies), you need to become a Level II volunteer through BCS. All volunteers must repeat the background check every year. Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/BMSVol> to learn more about Level I and Level II Volunteers!



GIVE BACK



Black Mountain Schools Give Back works with the school counselor and social worker to help meet the basic needs of students at the Primary and Elementary schools. If you would like emails alerting you of the ways you can help meet specific needs, please email bmpgivesback@gmail.com to be added to the list.



Animal Ambassadors Program

Jan 24th 8:30am

Students at the Elementary School will have the chance to see a science presentation about animals that will involve 5 animals, one of them a baby kangaroo, and will be able to purchase a picture holding one of the animals!

Lunch Buddies Wanted

Be an advocate. Be an encourager. Be a listener. Be a friend.

We are always looking for adults who would like to be a positive presence in the life of our students.



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