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**Tickets On Sale Now for International Festival: Saturday, March 2**  
**5pm or 7pm at Newport High School Performing Arts Center**

Purchase tickets online at [puestadelsolpta.org](http://puestadelsolpta.org)

Come one, come all to this year's International Festival! Celebrate an evening of song, dance and food from around the world. To accommodate as many of the school community as possible, we will be offering two show times to choose from: 5pm or 7pm. The first seating of dinner is before the 7pm show, the second seating is after the 5pm show.

Tickets for both the show (\$5) and dinner (\$5-10) can be purchased online at [puestadelsolpta.org](http://puestadelsolpta.org) and will be available for pickup before or after school on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> or Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> at ticket table by the gym. If you have a child performing, you can pick up your tickets at the dress rehearsal on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. *Please do not bother the office for tickets, they will not have them.* This is a great school event and open to all families. We hope to see you there!



**International Night: Calling all Bakers and Treat Makers!**

Individually packaged, tasty treats needed for this year's International Festival. If you can contribute to the bake sale, please email Koan Maurer [koan\\_davis@yahoo.com](mailto:koan_davis@yahoo.com). Treats can be dropped off in the office on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> or brought to the event on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Muchas gracias for your help!

**Puesta del Sol Science Fair Countdown: 6 Weeks to go!**

Mid winter break is a great time to work on your project

Have you decided on a topic? Great! Now it's time to come up with a testable question. One of the most important parts of your science research is asking the right question! This question will set you up for your actual experiment, and your hypothesis will be based on this question. Keep it simple. Now get to work! Please go to [puestadelsolpta.org](http://puestadelsolpta.org) and look up 'Science Fair' under the Activities/Clubs heading for great resources to help you work on your project. "Steps to a successful project" is the perfect place to start!

Registration is Open



Visit the PTA [site.puestadelsolpta.org](http://site.puestadelsolpta.org) to register. Registration will close on February 28<sup>th</sup> Please understand this is a strict close date, and no late registrations will be accepted.

**Kindergarten Lottery Deadline: March 1**

To enroll and be eligible for kindergarten at Puesta del Sol in September 2013, you must submit a lottery card, a certified copy of the child's birth certificate, and residency documents to the Puesta del Sol office no later than March 1st, 3:30pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS! All siblings must register for the lottery to be considered for 2013-14 school year.**



**Principal/PTA Coffee**

The next coffee hour will be Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:15-10:15 am. Do you have a question or a suggestion for a topic? Drop by the office and put it in the purple "Coffee box!"

February 15, 2013

**Upcoming Events**

- 2/18-22 Mid-Winter Break
- 2/27 Principal/PTA Coffee
- 2/28 Passport Check
- 3/1 Kindy Lottery Deadline
- 3/2 International Festival
- 3/13 Skate King Afternoon
- 3/15 Professional Day/NO SCHOOL
- 3/27 Science Fair
- 3/27 Principal/PTA Coffee
- 3/28 Passport Check

**Lost and Found**



Please check the Lost and Found during the month of February. All items will be donated on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Mid-Winter Break**

February 18  
to  
February 22

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Submit articles by Monday at 9 pm to [newsletter@puestadelsolpta.org](mailto:newsletter@puestadelsolpta.org)

## Passport Club Check Day

Thursday, Feb. 28

Special Itinerary: Libya



Journey to Libya! Check the bulletin board in the gym for worksheets and answers. Print a worksheet at [puestadel-solpta.org/SI.html](http://puestadel-solpta.org/SI.html).

## Library News

### Volunteers Needed!



Mrs. Brody has a ton of books that need covers. Please stop by the library, your help would be greatly appreciated!

### Pennies for Pasta Volunteers Needed!

Student council is sponsoring the *Pennies for Pasta* to support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Sra. Toni is looking for volunteers at each grade level that would be willing to, once a week for 4 weeks:

- Collect the coins from their grade level class weekly (Friday)
- Take the coins to Coinstar and return the receipts and 2 copies
- Tally the bills and turn into Sra. Toni

The campaign will run in the month of March. If you are interested, please email [marquezt@bsd405.org](mailto:marquezt@bsd405.org).

## eScrip

Fundraiser!

Planning a trip or an online purchase? Please remember to log in to your eScrip account at [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) first and then go to the website that you are planning to use (Expedia, hotels.com, Alaska Airlines, Southwest Airlines, Hotwire, Dell, etc.) Our school will get a percentage of your purchase! Questions? Please contact Christy Hanson [Christy@lhanson.com](mailto:Christy@lhanson.com).

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## Amity Host Families Needed!

We are in need of 12 families to host next years Amity interns. If you are unaware of what an "Amity Intern" is, let us take a minute to share with you about this great program that Puesta del Sol has been a part of for many years. Every year Puesta del Sol works with a program out of San Diego, CA called the Amity Institute. The Amity Institute is a nonprofit organization dedicated to building international friendships and cultural understanding. By having Amity Interns at our school, it provides opportunities to share the participants native language and culture with the students and our community. It also provides additional help to our teachers. While the interns are here, they are hosted by families of our school community. To maintain this wonderful program, we need 12 families to open their homes and host an intern for three months during the 2013-2014 school year. If you are interested in hosting but have questions, please contact one of the members of the Amity committee:

Mary Fredericksen [maryandjohn4@comcast.net](mailto:maryandjohn4@comcast.net)

Stacy Hauser-Weigel [hauserweigel@comast.net](mailto:hauserweigel@comast.net)

Kristina Dolan [kristinadolan@hotmail.com](mailto:kristinadolan@hotmail.com)

Applications to host an Amity intern can be found on the Puesta del Sol website and emailed to Mary Fredericksen.

## Academic Challenge

Turn in your work starting April 15!

**April 24<sup>th</sup>** is the final day to turn in math logs, reading reviews, and typing (only passport is due on May 30<sup>th</sup>). **ABSOLUTELY NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED!** Get started now to allow yourself enough time to complete all of the challenge requirements. *Work will not be accepted until April 15-no early packets please.* Questions? Email Jessica Heringer: [AcademicChallenge@puestadelsolpta.org](mailto:AcademicChallenge@puestadelsolpta.org)



## Drop in for Lunch

Please help out during lunch and recess and enjoy a special time with your child. Drop in or sign up at [tinyurl.com/pdslunch12](http://tinyurl.com/pdslunch12)

## Save the Date: BSF 2013 Spring for Schools Luncheon is May 17 Hyatt Regency Bellevue from 11:30am-1:30pm

Steve Pool, Chief Weathercaster at KOMO-TV: Words can't convey how honored and excited I am to be returning as the emcee of Bellevue Schools Foundation's Spring for Schools luncheon this year.

I'm looking forward to:

- \* Hearing inspiring stories from kids
- \* Seeing the incredible impact our donations have made
- \* Checking out the Education Showcase
- \* Listening to fantastic music from student musicians
- \* Learning what's next for Bellevue schools

I strongly believe education is the foundation for success. It's so encouraging to see the Bellevue community coming together around a mission to help every child succeed and make our schools some of the best in the country. Please save the date to join me for lunch. Together, we make a difference!

Join your BSF Ambassador, Pam Rauch and PTA Presidents, Barbara Mullen and Anne Douglas at the luncheon.

Questions? Contact Linda Dicus at [Linda@bsfdn.org](mailto:Linda@bsfdn.org) or call 425.456.4199