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## Letter from the PTA Presidents

Thank you Puesta del Sol volunteers, parents, teachers, staff and students for another amazing year. Attached to last week's newsletter was a listing of all the ways our PTA was involved in the experiences made available to your child(ren) this year.

Your PTA generously organized and funded numerous field trips and programs to enhance the school day experience. The Spanish Immersion through the Arts brought artists from Puerto Rico and Mexico whose work with our students clearly broadened their cultural experiences. It's especially exciting to have these professional artists participate and encourage our students. The International Festival is an event that provides an important opportunity to our community to experience firsthand the music, dancing and cuisine from around the globe. We are proud to say we have completed an amazing 11 years of Passport Club and added Academic Challenge as a way to recognize students who participate in all the extra curricular programs we offer. Finally, we are so grateful to be able to host our four amazing Amities this year: Alba, Elly, Maria and Pablo: you brought so much joy to our children and community this year. We will miss you all! Please stay in touch. We would not be able to bring these important enhancements without the amazing support of our teachers and staff and the leadership of Principal Nestor. She believes passionately in the Immersion/ISA program in its entirety and has worked to strengthen it.

Thank you to all of you for being a part of this amazing community and for saying yes when the opportunities arise and require your participation. We especially thank the Board and communications team: (El Sol, Email, Eco Sol, Webmaster and Friday packet) for all the help in getting the word out! AND our 200 volunteers: We could not do it without each and everyone of you!

It has been a pleasure to serve with the board,

*Anne Douglas* (2 years)

*Barbara Mullen* (5 years)



### *Aesop's Funtastic Fables*

*This weekend-June 14th & 15th at 7 pm  
 Newport High School Performing Arts Center  
 Don't miss it! Tickets are \$10 at the door*

## Gracias to the Following for the Many Volunteer Hours!

The 2012-2013 PTA Board: Barbara Mullen and Anne Douglas, Co-Presidents;  
 Mendi Carroll and Elaine Miller, Co-Treasurers; Secretary, Jennifer Murphy;  
 VP Teacher Relations, Mary Fredericksen;

Co-VP Educational Enhancement, Julie Skaggs and Laura Rossow;

Co-VP Fundraising, Stacy Hauser-Weigel and Christy Hanson;

VP Special Events, Deb Justice; Co-VP Admin Support, Janice Griner and LeeAnn Guidotti;

Member at Large, Krista Capodanno

Laura Dooley - Webmaster; Andrea Olsen - El Sol Newsletter; Eco Sol, Lisa Dembo

Huei Huang - Art Appreciation; Kandi Dodrill - Staff Appreciation

Thank you so much for all you have done for the Puesta del Sol community!!!!

June 14, 2013

### Upcoming Events

6/14 & 15 Aesop's Fables

Today Field Day

Today PTA Reimbursement Requests

Today Book Fair in the Library

6/16 BSD Survey Due

6/17 5th Grade Graduation

6/19 Last Day of School

### Reminder for Kids in Afterschool Programs

The last day of the Boys and Girls Club afterschool programs is TODAY!. All Boys & Girls Clubs of Bellevue will be CLOSED the last week of school.



**Don't Forget  
 Check Lost & Found**

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Send in articles by 9pm Mondays

## PTA Reimbursement Requests Due Today!

Please submit any PTA request(s) for reimbursement/payment forms and receipts by today, Friday, June 14th.

Email [treasurer@puestadelsopta.org](mailto:treasurer@puestadelsopta.org) with any questions

## Walkathon: Coming 9/27/13 Volunteers Needed!

We need your help to make this event a success. If you can help, please contact Michelle Mahlman  
[m.mahlman@frontier.com](mailto:m.mahlman@frontier.com)

## Spiritwear Chair Needed

Contact Julee Seibel [juleeks@hotmail.com](mailto:juleeks@hotmail.com) if you are interested.

## Puesta del Sol 2014 Auction

Preparations are under way, so please mark your calendar for Saturday, March 29, 2014 for the Puesta del Sol Auction.

Please contact Rebecca Hamilton at [pbrnhamilton@msn.com](mailto:pbrnhamilton@msn.com) or Alica Filippini at [Alicia@concordmgi.com](mailto:Alicia@concordmgi.com) if you would like to volunteer to help.

## Shadow the International Festival Chairs Next Year

Did your family enjoy this years International Festival? If so, why not consider chairing this event? Learn the ropes next year by shadowing the Chair's of the festival, Mary Fredericksen and Jessi Bixby. Let's see this festival continue on for many years to come. If interested, please contact Mary at [maryandjohn4@comcast.net](mailto:maryandjohn4@comcast.net).

## Fall Book Fair: Mark Your Calendar! September 23 - 27, 2013



Can you volunteer? If so, contact Emmy Park at [emmerlee@me.com](mailto:emmerlee@me.com) or 206-218-7136.

## 5th Grade Graduation Monday, June 17 at 6:30 pm in the PdS Gym



5th grade families and Puesta del Sol staff, please join the 5th grade teachers and students in celebrating the 5th graders' years at Puesta del Sol! The ceremony will take place on Monday, June 17th at 6:30 in the Puesta del Sol gym. Light refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

## Yearbooks

Yearbooks will be handed out on Monday, June 17th. You have to have your library books handed in or paid for to receive your yearbook. If you didn't pre-order your books you can purchase them on field day and they will be delivered on Monday. They will also be available (while they last) for purchase before and after school on Monday and Tuesday.

## Academic Challenge was a Success!



Congratulations to all of the 93 hard working students who completed the academic challenge! Way to go second graders who had the most participants! 24 second graders participated in this years challenge. And an extra shout out goes to those 16 students who completed all 6 requirements and earned the additional medal:

Faith L, Nicola K, Maya G, Henry B, Gabriella I, Nicole P, Ike Gerard W, Caleb D, Sophia M, Coartney B, Victoria H, Coco M, Sofia B, Elian J, Olivia B, & Ruby B.

What a fantastic job!!!! Also, thank you to Jessica Heringer for bringing this program to our school and making it such a success!

## Field Day: Thank You!

Thank you to all the volunteers who made Field Day happen this year. We could not have done it without you! A special thank you to Sra. Williams who, every year, comes up some great and fun activities for the kids to enjoy. We appreciate you!

## School/PTA & BSF Liaison Needed

Would you like to be the liaison between our School/PTA & BSF?

We need a *Bellevue Schools Foundation* Ambassador. Please contact Barbara Mullen [bmullen007@live.com](mailto:bmullen007@live.com) if interested.



## Summer Camps: It's Not Too Late!

[puestadelsopta.org/activities/summercamps.html](http://puestadelsopta.org/activities/summercamps.html)

## BSD Wants to Know Fill Out the Online Survey by June 16

The Bellevue School Board and Superintendent are asking for your feedback about the education and services your child is receiving. The survey allows you to give specific feedback about our school and building Please take a moment to fill out this important feedback survey—it takes about three to five minutes. Simply go to [bsd405.org/about-us/school-board/2013-parent-satisfaction-survey.aspx](http://bsd405.org/about-us/school-board/2013-parent-satisfaction-survey.aspx). The survey, available in multiple languages, is available on the front page of the district web site as well as in paper form upon request at each school office and closes **June 16**. Results will eventually be posted on the district web site. Thank you!