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President's Message



Hello BYMS Families,

February is a very special month for PTA as we celebrate our birthday. On February 17, 1897, the National Congress of Mothers was born. Through the change of organization names and uniting with other parent groups, countless parents and teachers have continued to work toward the goal of the original founders. We are proud to be a part of this great effort on behalf of our children.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair last fall. Our Book Fair Chairperson, Maria Hernandez, did a wonderful job. We met our goal and raised money and books for our students and our library. Thanks to Maria and to our librarian, Mrs. McCann.

At our General Association Meeting held in January, our nominating committee was selected and will begin seeking qualified nominees for the 2012-2013 PTA Board. I would like to invite any of you who would like information on board positions to contact me. Also, if you know of any parents who will be starting at Bernardo next year and might be interested, please pass along the message.

Our next General Association meeting will be held on Monday, March 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR. We will hold our annual elections at that time. The slate of nominees will be posted on the website and in the

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office 30 days prior to the March 12th meeting. Anyone who has turned in their PTA

membership is welcome to attend the General Association meetings.

There is still time for any 8th grade students who have not yet turned in their ticket money for the Promotion Party.

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Please check the website for ticket sale dates, which are held one Tuesday each month in the quad area.



As we enter the second half of the school year, I would again like to thank all of you for your support.

Thank You,

Jennifer Gathright BYMS PTA President Jennifer_gathright@yahoo.com

From the Desk of Mrs. Ogan

Welcome to the second half of the school year! Since we are beginning the third quarter, parents of eighth graders please take this opportunity to review the Retention/Promotion Policy (below) explaining the eligibility requirements for participating in the end of the year activities.

In order to participate in eighth grade activities and/or promotion exercises, all eighth grade students must appropriately complete the required course of study and have a satisfactory attendance record. Any one or combination of the following circumstances could result in exclusion from the eighth grade activities and/or the promotion exercises:

1. Six or more quarter grades of "F" in core subject areas (language arts, math, science, social science) during the eighth grade year.
2. Failure to progress in supplemental intervention program(s) and a score less than 60% on the *Key Math Standards Test* in Pre-algebra and a final district writing assessment score of 1.0.
3. Continuous and/or serious disciplinary problems.
4. Irregular attendance.



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Eighth grade Registration Process

March 29th - Counselors from Esperanza H.S. and Yorba Linda H.S. will meet with eighth grade students and share various programs offered at their campuses during social studies classes.

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April 17th- Counselors meet individually with the eighth grade students signing them up for their Fall classes.

Parking Reminder

Safety is always our foremost priority and concern. We appreciate your continuous effort at being safe, courteous, and polite before and after school. Thank you for helping us ensure safety by releasing and picking up students in our loading and unloading zone (the very front of school **along** the curb), and being watchful of students crossing the parking lot and/or street.

For your planning:

Monday, February 6th - Vision and Hearing screening for eighth grade students during social studies classes.

Wednesday, February 8th -Spirit Party

Friday, February 10th - School Dance from 3:15-5:15 p.m.

Friday, February 24th - Talent Show

Thursday, March 1st - Spirit Rally

Tuesday, March 6th - STAR writing exam for 7th graders only

Wednesday, March 14 - Spirit Party

Friday, March 30th - 6th grade visitation

Friday, April 6th - Career Day

We appreciate your support at all our events and look forward to your participation.

***Thank you,
Mrs. Ogan***



THANK YOU



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Thank you for supporting the BYMS Library through the PTA Book Fair. The PTA was able to purchase new and exciting books for the library and the students are very grateful. We also want to thank Maria Hernandez and her committee for running the Book Fair. It takes many, many hours to pull off what they did and we are truly appreciative.

Doreen McCann

BYMS

Librarian



Helping Our Kids-Helping Our School

Wow half way through the school year already. Let me introduce myself to you. My name is Kevin M. Pryor, and I have an eighth grader at BYMS. As a former student of BYMS, I am proud to be the school's PTA Health Office Volunteer Coordinator this year. My job is to help get parent volunteers for the Health Office. I need your help filling varies shifts during the school week. I am looking forward to getting to know and work with as many of you Matador parents as I can. Please feel free to contact me, with any questions at 714-337-1090 or e-mail me at kevinmncap@att.net.

Kevin M. Pryor

2010-2011 BYMS Volunteer Chairperson

Attention Parents of 7th Graders

(BYMS Class of 2013)

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We are in the process of planning events for the 2012-2013 school year.

If you would like to receive information regarding BYMS Class of 2013 events, please provide your contact information to Regina Bernabe, ReginaBernabe@sbcglobal.net. Please include Parent Name, Student Name, Parent email address, and contact phone number.

Thank you!

Regina Bernabe

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Middle School
HONORARY
AWARD
FORM

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There are many special people that give their time, talent and wisdom to benefit the children of our community and school. The Bernardo Yorba PTA needs your help to honor these special individuals or businesses with a 2012 Honorary Service Award. Nominees can be teachers, administrators, staff, volunteers or businesses. Show your appreciation for everything these special people have done and nominate them today!

There are four awards which recognize the contributions of individuals in our community. **Please submit your nomination form to the front office by Friday, Feb. 24th.**

I Nominate: _____ for the following award:

- _____ **Honorary Service Award** – Presented to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to youth.
- _____ **Continuing Service Award** – Honors individuals who **continuously** give service to children or youth.
- _____ **Golden Oak Service Award** – The most prestigious PTA award in California! This honor is given to those who have made significant contributions to the welfare of children and youth in the school and community.
- _____ **Very Special Person Award** – Honors individuals or PTA constituent organizations to recognize a person or group.

Reason for the nomination: _____

Submitted By: _____

BYMS PTA Awards Committee can reach me at: _____

Best day/ time to reach me: _____

If you have any questions, please contact
Laurie Nalezny at 714-928-5124 or nalezny5@gmail.com

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