



Bulldog Monthly

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2019-2020 PTO Executive Board

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Dates to Remember

September

- 4 K & New Student Ice-Cream Social 4:30 pm Cafetorium
- 5 First Day of School
- 7 PTO @ Farmer's Market
- 10 **PTO Monthly Meeting**
7 pm Room 315
- 17 STEM-Mad Science Assembly
- 24 Hip Hop Assembly (K-8)
- 25 Early Dismissal 1:30 pm
- 25 Back to School Night (5-8)
6:30 pm
- 26 Early Dismissal 1:30 pm
- 26 Back to School Night (PK-4)
- 30 No School – Rosh Hashanah



Hello Bulldogs, welcome back to another school year!

I am so excited to be back. I hope you enjoyed a wonderfully relaxing summer with family and friends.

The PTO is hitting the ground running with a *ton* of events coming up in the next few months. We are starting the year off with our traditional Ice-Cream Social for all of our NEW Bulldogs and their families on Wednesday, 9/4. Then come visit us at the Bedminster Farmer's Market on Saturday, 9/7. We will have previous spirit wear samples to purchase; car magnets and you can become a PTO member this day as well. Our first monthly PTO meeting is Tuesday, 9/10 at 7 pm. The first school wide assembly, STEM: Mad Science on 9/17 and Hip-Hop Dance, on 9/24 during all PE classes. This assembly gets the students on their feet and moving to the music! Our PTO Board members will be at both Back to School Nights, 9/25 & 9/26. We would love for our new parents to stop by, say 'hello' and ask us any questions they may have. Membership forms will be available and our car magnets to show off your BTS pride. Wow, that's a busy September! October is looking to be just as busy. You can find that calendar on page 7, but here are a few events we would like to mention: Spooktacular, Trunk or Treat, Bedminster Charities Fall Fest and the Scholastic Book Fair!

I know the beginning of a new school year can be hectic, but for PTO information there is no need to worry. We make finding dates, times and locations easy for everyone. Our newsletter will be published each month and it will be chock full of all the latest happenings. You can also look things up directly on our website, www.bedminsterpto.org. Facebook is our largest social media platform (Bedminster Township School PTO) and we can be found on Instagram (BedminsterPTO) and Twitter (@BedminsterPTO) as well.

Get those calendars out and put a BIG red circle around Friday, April 17, 2020 for Spring Fling!! SF is the PTO's largest source of funds and our only major fundraiser that we host each and every year and the proceeds from it fund everything we do for the students and staff of Bedminster School. Our 2019 event was **SOLD OUT** and *extremely* successful. Within the next few months, we will start to reach out to our previous volunteers and also be looking for new friends to help out with everything from stuffing envelopes, solicitations, basket wrapping and 'night of' help. We have small tasks and **BIG** tasks, behind the scene tasks, driving around tasks and a whole lot of other tasks. It takes a lot of friends to pull off a night like this. Many different skills are needed. Are you good at talking on the phone? Can you wrap and tie up a raffle basket with one hand tied behind your back? We need these volunteers and many more. More info will be shared as it comes available.

Have a super September and I look forward to seeing everyone around town.

Ramsey Melendez ~ PTO President
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HOW THE PTO RAISES FUNDS

- **\$40,000** Spring Fling
- **\$6,500** Bedminster Charities Fall Fest
- **\$2,500** Membership
- **\$2,200** Donations
- **\$1,600** Halloween Events
- **\$740** Barnes & Noble Book Fair
- **\$550** Box Tops for Education
- **\$500** Spirit Wear
- **\$300** Amazon Smile Program

* amounts are based on previous year's averages

HOW THE PTO SPENDS FUNDS

- **\$10,000** Programs/Assemblies
- **\$6,300** Special Projects
- **\$6,000** Bussing for all field trips
- **\$6,000** Grade Level Programs
- **\$5,300** Teacher/Department Grants
- **\$4,000** PTO Gifts to BTS
- **\$3,000** Teacher Hospitality/Appreciation
- **\$1,200** BHS/BTS Graduation
- **\$500** Halloween Events
- **\$225** Misc. Donations
- **\$250** PE Day

*amounts are based on previous year's averages. Any financial information may be requested at any time.

Family Membership

\$15 yearly/family

- Print the last page of this newsletter and send it into school with your \$15 payment
- Form can also be found on our website

Where to Find the PTO

www.bedminsterpto.org



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THANK YOU

Dr. Blaicher for being our September Newsletter Sponsor. We were honored to have you and your *entire* staff attend our Spring Fling fundraiser!



The Barnes & Noble Book Fair we hosted in June was a **HUGE** success thanks to all the hard work our friend Laura Frantz put into organizing it.

Thank you, Laura!!

We would also like to thank Mr. Schoch, Mr. Lefurge and our student volunteers for their time and support.

Music and trivia questions made the evening extremely entertaining.

From this event, the PTO was able to purchase books and educational material for our teachers in the amount of **\$1,400!!** (\$700 from 2018 & \$700 from 2019)

Thank you to all the families and teachers that came out to support this wonderful event and encouraging our kids to **READ**.

McCools Ice Cream & Frozen Yogurt

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Hosted By:
Bedminster
School PTO

Sept 4
4:30 pm

FREE!

GOOD TIMES

Wow!

ice cream social

New Friends



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THANK YOU

McCools for being a long-time Ice-Cream Social supporter.

They have donated ALL the ice-cream AGAIN this year!

Our kindergarteners and new students are really in for a 'treat' as we welcome them to BTS.

Stay COOL McCools

Volunteers Needed

Click on the event for more information

Home Room Parents (year round)

Scholastic Book Fair (Oct 1 - 4 and 7)

Spooktacular (Oct 18)

Trunk or Treat (Oct 18)

Bedminster Charities Fall Fest (Oct 26)



PTO Meeting

Tuesday, Sept 10
7 pm Room 315

How do I contact a PTO Board Member?

Ramsey: melendez.family07@yahoo.com

Danielle: deefreedella@yahoo.com

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Company Matching

- The PTO is a 501(c)(3) tax deductible charity
- Some companies offer a matching program. They may match your donation in part or possibly by 100%!
- Check with your HR or Acct Dept.

This is **EVERYTHING**
the PTO sponsors
and supports.

Where can you see yourself?

*click on the underlined events below and you'll be taken directly to that event's webpage



[Spring Fling Fundraiser](#) [Spirit Wear](#) [Spooktacular](#) [Books & Buddies](#)

[Teacher Appreciation Lunch](#) [Helping Hands](#) [Box Tops for Education](#)

[Homeroom Parents](#) [Back to School Night Hospitality](#) [Scholastic Book Fair](#)

[Conference Hospitality](#) [Schoolwide Programs & Assemblies](#) [Bulletin Boards](#)

[International Heritage](#) [Barnes & Noble Book Fair](#) [PBA Kickball Tournament](#)

[Staff Welcome Back Lunch](#) [Kindergarten & New Student Ice-Cream Social](#)

[Bedminster Charities Fall Fest](#) [Field Trip Busing](#) [AmazonSmile](#)

[Trunk or Treat](#)

These are the assemblies that the PTO
will *financially* support this school year!

Total of **\$7,000+**

Month	Assembly	Grades
September	STEM: Mad Science	K - 4 5-8
September	Hip Hop Dance	All grades during PE classes
October	Prismatic Magic Red Ribbon Week Anti-Drug/Alcohol	K - 4 5 - 8
November	Brain Wash Game Show	K - 4 5 - 8
February	Mobile Ed: The Spirit to Overcome Black History Month	K - 4 5 - 8
March	..Pending.. Women's History Month	K - 4 5 - 8

Cub Scout Pack #1749



BOYS & GIRLS are welcome!
Cub Scouts is now co-ed
Kindergarten – 5th grade
First meeting: Monday, Sept 9
6:30 pm
in the Cafetorium.

BEDMINSTER BULLDOG SPIRIT WEAR

Fall sale coming soon.....





BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Changes are coming to the
Box Top program.

Stay tuned for more information
to follow.
Keep clipping!

OCTOBER UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Place	Chairperson 1	Chairperson 2
1-4 & 7	Scholastic Book Fair		library	Suzie slstevinson@yahoo.com	Danielle deefredella@yahoo.com
8	Early Dismissal	1:30 p	Staff Development		
9	No School – Yom Kippur				
15	PTO Meeting	7 pm	Rm 315	Ramsey melendez.family07@yahoo.com	Danielle deefredella@yahoo.com
18	Spooktacular (PK-4 grade)	5 p	Cafetorium	Danielle deefredella@yahoo.com	
18	Trunk or Treat (all grades)	6:30 p	Old School Parking Lot	Giovanna giovannalamiera@gmail.com	
23	Prismatic Assembly	2 shows	K – 4 5 - 8	Angela gattoangela@hotmail.com	Tina tinadadas@yahoo.com
26	Bedminster Charities Fall Fest	11-5 p	River Road Park	Tara taberr1234@yahoo.com	Meriah mwneissel@hotmail.com
31	Halloween Parade PK-4 th grades	2:45 p	Parking Lot		



Return via your child, in person, or by mail to:
BTS PTO 234 Somerville Road, Bedminster, NJ, 07921

Bedminster Twp. School PTO Membership Form **\$15/family**

PLEASE PRINT

Parent /Guardian #1 Name: _____ Parent /Guardian #2 Name: _____

Cell Phone #1: _____ Cell Phone #2: _____

Email Address #1: _____ Email Address #2: _____

Student(s) Name _____ Grade _____

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Student(s) Name _____ Grade _____

I'm interested in helping with _____



WE 
VOLUNTEERS