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Dear Parents,

With only three weeks left of our inaugural year at the Language Academy, we are indeed in the final phase of this school year. Planning for our second year is well underway as well as for the closing projects and events we have planned for the month of June. Even as the year unwinds, we still have our wonderful PTA and teachers devoting their time and energy to many wonderful events. Please join us for

- the Year-End Dance, June 9, 5:30-7:30 pm
- our Father's Day Celebration- Dads and Donuts, June 13, 7:30 am
- Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony, June 16
- Student Awards and Volunteer Recognition-in your child's classroom, June 16

Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten Registration for the 2016-2017 School Year continues through Thursday, June 23^{rd} , 2016 during the hours of 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and will resume registration the week of August 11^{th} , 2016 when the office staff returns. Current students continuing at the Academy are automatically reenrolled, and will be given a Back to School Packet shortly after school resumes.

The 3rd Grade Smarter Balanced Assessment Testing continues through June 3rd. The Smarter Balanced Assessments are the new, next-generation assessments that California uses to measure students' understanding of Common Core in math and English language arts and literacy. Instead of the old paper-and-pencil approach, the new assessments are given electronically. These electronic assessments go beyond multiple-choice questions to help students demonstrate analytical skills and real-world problem solving using the type of technology they will be expected to use in the future. If you have any questions in regards to these assessments, please call or leave a note for your student's teacher.

Report Cards go home on June 16. Please make sure you review them. Teachers will be providing you with resources to continue the practice of language, reading, writing, and math skills over the summer. Support your child by having him/her engage in academic activities that continue to sustain and develop skills over the summer time.

May has been an eventful month! Open House was a great event; parent participation was outstanding. Thank you all for your continuous support to our school!

Warm regards,

Izela Jacobo, Principal

Character Trait of the Month:

Perseverance

Perseverance is steadfastness and dedication to a goal. It means enduring the hard times and pushing ahead when things become difficult.

Why is Perseverance Important?

- Helps build strength in the face of adversity
- Gives purpose to your goals
- Teaches critical life skills for success

Dinner Table Discussion
When was a time you had
trouble reaching a goal?
What did you do? Did you
reach your goal? If not, what
could you have done
differently?



- The last day of school is Thursday, June 16. This will be a minimum day and your child needs to be picked up by 1pm.
- √ Yearbooks \$20 Very limited quantity available in office the week before school lets out.
- Join Bostonia Language Academy PTA on Facebook to stay in touch over the summer.
- ✓ Save your box tops over the summer for next school year.
- We're all sometimes in a hurry or running late in the mornings/afternoons, but be respectful of other drivers and pay attention to our traffic monitors.
- We are always in need of donations of white copy paper and colored paper for classrooms. Drop off in office.



PTA President's Notes

By Angelica Gonzalez

Hello Families,

I can't believe our inaugural year will soon be coming to an end. But before then, we still have some great events to look forward to! The PTA will be hosting the "End of Year Dance" on Thursday, June 9th and "Dads and Donuts" on June 13th. Our end of year dance will be so much fun -- we will have free popcorn and a photo booth. The theme will be Hawaiian luau, so come dressed in your Hawaiian shirts and grass skirts. You won't want to miss these fun filled and sure to be memorable events!

We hope everyone had a chance to stop by our "Moms and Muffins" Mother's Day celebration. It was a lot of fun watching the children enjoying a light breakfast with their mom or family. PTA hopes to have the same turn out for "Dads and Donuts" so mark your calendar.

Our latest project has been the development of the Bostonia Language Academy Community Garden. Things are well underway and we would like to take this time to thank our wonderful volunteers and members of the community who have donated time, energy and financial support to this enrichment activity: Gloria Del Rio and Julia Aguero for spearheading this project; Dr. Tran, Zimmer Family, Wake Family, Paul King Family (Kings Fun Time), Sphar Family, Montana Family, Vons and the many volunteers who have made it out to the school on their Saturdays to get our venture up and running.

We would also like to thank our community businesses who have donated to our events throughout the year. Of course, the best way for us to thank them as a community is to go out and use their services or products. Thank you to: Smart and Final, Vons (2nd St), Food 4 Less(Broadway, El Cajon), Edible Arrangements (El Cajon), Kings Fun Time, Gloria Hernandez Photographer, Einstein Bagels, Rose Donuts, Honey Donuts, Sysco Products and JPH General Contractor. Also, a special thank you to Martika's Arts & Crafts for donating a popcorn machine!

Please continue to follow us on Facebook (Bostonia Language Academy PTA) and Twitter (@langacadpta). Also, if you need to reach us, you can email us at langacadpta@gmail.com.

We wish you all a fun and safe summer and look forward to seeing everyone again in the fall!

Angelica Gonzalez PTA President



Recommended Resources from the Principal:

Disfruta las Matemáticas /Enjoy Mathematics (Math activities and practice in Spanish)

http://www.disfrutalasmatematicas.com/

Khan Academy (Math activities and practice in English and Spanish)

https://es.khanacademy.org/mathttps://es.khanacademy.org/math

Cómo ayudar a su hijo con las matemáticas / How to support your student in the area of mathematics (Math activities and practice in Spanish)

http://www2.ed.gov/espanol/parents/academic/matematicas/index.html



Upcoming Events

- June 2 Feeding America,
 2pm (will resume again when school begins in August)
- ♣ June 7 & 14 Ballet Folclórico, 2-3:00 PM
- June 9 The Year-End Dance, 5:30-7:30pm
- ♣ June 13 Dads and Donuts
 7:30-8:00 AM
- June 14 Kinder & TK Teddy
 Bear Picnic, 11:30am12:30pm
- June 15 Kinder Luau, 9-11am
- June 16 Kindergarten Promotion, 9-10:30am; TK Celebration, 11am-1pm; Last day of school
- August 18 School resumes for 2016-2017 year



In The Community

- Farmer's Market Every Thursday (EBT friendly)
- Classic Car show every Wednesday from 5 – 8pm
- Little Listener's story time at El Cajon Library, every Tuesday at 10am
- Family game night at the El Cajon Library, June 20 at 6pm



The school newsletter will be published monthly. Paper copies are displayed on the bulletin board by the school gate and are also available from the school office.