



BROOKVALE PTA NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

October 4, 2013

Movie Night: The Croods
6pm doors open
6:30pm movie starts
in the Multipurpose Room

October 8, 2013

PTA meeting
7pm in the school library

October 25, 2013

Bronco Gallop

October 25, 2013

School Directory forms due

October 30, 2013

1:15pm early release
5pm Halloween Carnival

October 31, 2013

9:45am Halloween Parade
1:15pm early release

November 1, 2013

Reflections entries due

The next PTA meeting is
Tuesday, October 8

Please join us at our monthly PTA meetings to find out more ways that you can get involved. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the school library.

We are online! Visit

www.brookvalepta.com
to connect with us on

Yahoo! Groups
and **Facebook**

The Bronco Gallop is on Friday, October 25th

Don't forget to sign and turn in your child's **permission slip** for the Bronco Gallop! (If you don't have one, you can download it at www.brookvalepta.com). The Bronco Gallop is an exciting and fun school-wide activity for all kids, and nobody wants to sit on the sidelines.

We're encouraging each family to raise at least **\$65 (or more!)** this year. Parents and extended family and friends can help by sponsoring your child with a pledge per lap or a flat pledge. The Bronco Gallop is Brookvale's only major fundraiser for the year, and teachers and the PTA rely very heavily on the money raised to provide the best education possible. Thank you!

We are also hoping to take advantage of **employer matching donation programs**. If you make a pledge and your employer has a donation matching program, please let us know what we need to do to be added to the program. The Brookvale PTA is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, and is already on the list for many Silicon Valley employers (check www.brookvalepta.com/get-involved/corporate-matching for the complete list). Thank you again!

Calling all volunteers! We need parents to come on Friday, October 25th and help while the kids are walking. Lots of fun opportunities to help cheer your kid on are available. Please turn in our Bronco Gallop Volunteer Sign-Up form, or email Ellie Elson at ellie.elson@gmail.com. Thank you a third time!

Popsicle Party Winners!

Congratulations to the five winning classes: Mrs. Fulton's, Mrs. Ashford's, Mrs. Dillon's, Mrs. Hatfield's, and Ms. Ynzunza's classes have more than 80% PTA membership and have each won a popsicle party! It's not too late to turn in your memberships and help your child's class win (if you have two or more children, your membership will count for multiple classrooms). So far, more than 300 members have joined our PTA. Thank you!

Becoming a member of Brookvale PTA is an easy way to help improve your child's education. There is no volunteer obligation, and the money raised goes back to the teachers for educational supplies and needed technology in the classrooms. It is never too late to join, and there are always extra membership envelopes in the school office.

Movie Night: THE CROODS

Join us on Friday, October 4th for a showing of The Croods (rated PG). Free admission, doors open at 6pm, movie starts at 6:30pm in the Multipurpose Room. Look for more details at www.brookvalepta.com.

Halloween Carnival

Save the date for Wednesday, October 30th for our Halloween Carnival, at the school from 5pm to 7pm. Everyone should come in costume, and all money raised will go to support Sixth Grade Science Camp. Look in your Thursday folders for a flyer with more details. Boo!

National PTA Reflections Program

The National PTA Reflections Program is an arts recognition and achievement program for students. Participation in the Reflections Program is a great way for students to express themselves through various art forms! The theme for 2013 is "Believe, Dream, Inspire."

Students may submit entries in any of the six areas:

- Literature
- Photography
- Dance Choreography
- Musical Composition
- Visual Arts
- Film Production

Guidelines and entry forms are on our website (www.brookvalepta.com/events-and-programs/reflections) or can also be found at www.capta.org/sections/programs/reflections.cfm (click on the "More Information" tab in the right column and you'll find all the forms). Only original works of art are accepted. Students may enter more than one work of art. Student artwork due by Friday, Nov. 1, 2013.

If you have any questions, please contact Robyn Taylor at tayhigh5@comcast.net or 894-3774.

Box Tops for Education Contest

Have you been collecting your Box Tops? Now's the time to bring them in! We will be hosting a contest for the classrooms that can collect the most Box Tops by **October 18th**. There will be two winning classrooms from 4th-6th grade, two from 1st-3rd grade, and two from TK/K. All six winning classrooms will receive new playground balls for their class! Look for the contest details in your Thursday folder.

Congratulations to Our Brookvale PTA Alumni Scholarship Recipients!

Each year Brookvale PTA awards two \$750 scholarships to two deserving Brookvale alumni who are graduating from American High School. Our outstanding recipients for the 2012-2013 school year are **Nicole Prucha** and **Iman Alzaghari**. These two young ladies are extremely qualified and, coincidentally, are both now enrolled at UC Berkeley. We wish them the best as they pursue the next phase of their education!

