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Friday Update

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Dear Families,

Happy Friday! I hope everyone had a great week. Today was a beautiful day - nice and warm with a great breeze. Quite a bit of news to share this week so I will jump right in:

The Bike Bus continues to amaze folks far and wide. TikTok, Instagram, Twitter and beyond. If you have not already seen this great story about Alameda's Bike bus on [Oregonlive](#), please check it out. And, If you have not had a chance to come out, please join us on Wednesday morning. We hope for another huge group on 10/12. As always, if you have questions or want to get involved reach out to [Coach Balto](#).

Upcoming PTA Meeting: Want to learn how to be an advocate for schools at the State and local levels? Come learn about ways you can have a meaningful impact at the first PTA meeting of the year! We have a great line up of speakers/panelist with Representative Barbara Smith Warner, Senator Dembrow, long time PTA friends and former Alameda PTA board members Otto Schell and Scott Overton, and Principal Goldstein. **Thursday, October 13th, 6:30-8:00 in the library.** Pizza, salad, and childcare available.

Help us continue the OBOB program at Alameda: If your child has participated in the past and/or you are interested again this year, we need you! We are forming a committee to make this year happen! Please join us at an upcoming zoom meeting.

*****Tuesday October 18th - 7:00- 8:00 pm** Leadership Committee Formation Meeting. [Zoom Room:](#) Meeting ID: 838 3444 7465; Passcode: 531340

Oregon Battle Of the Books is a statewide reading program that encourages children to read books and stories they would likely not read on their own. It is also a chance to practice kindness, inclusion and good sports-person-ship as the reading is centered around comprehension and competition. Stay tuned this month for more details, and more importantly, check out the reading list and start reading with your child!! <https://www.oregonbattleofthebooks.org/2022-2023-obob-partial-title-list/> . Thank you! Janelle Fitzpatrick and Brianne Zogas

TAG Information Evening: Do you have questions about Talented and Gifted? Not sure what it means? On **Thursday, 10/20, from 6:00 - 7:00 PM**, Principal Matt Goldstein and Building TAG Coordinator and 2nd grade teacher Abby Largo will be hosting our annual TAG informational evening. The meeting take place in the Alameda Library. We will discuss how students become nominated and identified and then what to expect if your child qualifies for TAG.

From our Foundation: The Alameda School Foundation is bringing back one of its most popular events- the Fall House Parties! The Fall House Parties are graciously hosted by Alameda community members and are a great opportunity to meet other Alameda parents and caregivers. The houses are organized by grade level, so feel free to pop into one or all of them as they are "open house" style!

Please watch your email inbox next week for more information, but in the meantime book a sitter and get ready for some fun! The House Parties will be on **Friday, October 21** from 7-10pm. There is absolutely no cost to attend though donations made to the Alameda School Foundation are greatly appreciated. Interested in getting involved with the Foundation? Join our next monthly meeting on **Monday, 10/10, at 7:30pm** [here](#).

Halloween: On **Wednesday Night, 10/26**, the PTA is hosting the first movie night in well over two years! Put on your Halloween costume (optional, of course) and come enjoy a fun filled evening. More details will be coming out soon. In addition, many classrooms will be celebrating Halloween/Fall Harvest on 10/31/22. Connect with your child's teacher for more information on how you can help out. Although we plan to have plenty of fun, please remember, no costumes during the school day.

Move for the Arts: On **Thursday, November 3rd**, the First Annual (First ever) Alameda *Move for the Arts* will be held. This event replaces the Run for the Arts that had taken place in years past. The goal of this event is simple - student spend time outside running, jumping, walking, and moving, and to show support, families make a one-time donation to Alameda's arts fund. The money raised will be used to pay for artist-in-residencies and arts related assemblies and field trips. There will be plenty of opportunities for parent help and volunteers. Be on the lookout for more details and email [Matt Goldstein](#) with any questions.

Conferences: Fall conferences will take place on 11/21 and 11/22. Families will have a choice of in-person or virtual. On-line sign-up will be taking place beginning the week of 10/17.

An Important reminder from Darlene in the kitchen: Just a reminder breakfast and lunch are no longer FREE. If you would like to check your students' balance you can email me at nsalameda@pps.net or check on schoolcafe.com. Also be sure to get your free/reduced application in. Thank you

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend!

Regards,
Matt Goldstein

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