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Join the Bruin Village. [Click here](#) to make your contribution TODAY!

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Tuesday October 9, 2018

Principal's Message

October is Safety Month

We will be participating in the "[Great California Shakeout](#)" earthquake drill next Thursday 10/18 at 11:00 a.m. Our students will practice "Drop, Cover, and Hold On," practicing what we'd do if the emergency didn't allow us to return to classrooms. Brittan Acres staff have been reviewing and updating our BA Emergency Plan, utilizing protocols developed by the Coalition for Safe Schools and Communities in San Mateo County, called "The Big Five." Please take a moment to read the [Flyer](#). If you want to dig a little deeper, take a look at the [Big Five Community Packet](#).

Our emergency plan includes communication with the district and parents. Teachers are assigned to various emergency response roles, including being "deployed" to their duty. Our plan also includes entrance security, with staff at each our entrance and exit areas directing emergency response. Students are released individually to parents or authorized guardians and adults at the student release station which parents will be informed of upon entering the school. It is critical that parents follow our student release protocol so we can make sure all students are safe and accounted for.

In the event of a true emergency, the best thing you can do as a parent is to stay away from the school (and refrain from calling, keeping phones on vibrate, etc.) that is extremely difficult but it's important for us to focus on students in an emergency. While keeping parents calm and informed is critical, staying away from the school is a top priority.

None of us wants to be involved in a real emergency, but practicing and being prepared will be key in keeping our children and staff safe and sound. Safety is a top priority.

Mark Your Calendars

- PTA Meeting, Wednesday 7pm
- [Walk-A-Jog: Sunday Oct 21](#)

Volunteer

[Volunteer at BA](#) to build community and support our students. There are lots of in class and at home roles to choose from.

Fundraising Rewards

Participate in our [Amazon](#) and [eScrip](#) rewards programs and a percentage of your purchases will automatically be donated to the Brittan Acres PTA - at no cost to you!



Digital Citizenship

October 15-19 marks California's [Digital Citizenship Week](#). Teachers have developed grade level plans to teach digital safety, learning how to

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Walk-a-Jog Call for Volunteers and Fundraising

Walk-A-Jog is coming up quickly and it takes a village to make this special day happen! We need volunteers/donations for the following:

- Sign-up for a Carnival Booth shift through your classroom Shutterfly site
- BBQ still needs volunteers. Email bawalkajog@gmail.com if you can help with any of the following shifts: 8-10am, 9:30am-11:30am or 11:30am-1:30pm
- Bag Packing Day is Thursday, October 18th from 8:30-10am in the MU Room. Sign up [here](#) if you can help!
- Love to bake? Sign up for the [Bake Sale](#)

Donations are still needed for the Mystery Wall! Drop off shoe box sized donations to 789 Cedar Street. Look for bins on front porch.

Fundraising

Thanks to our generous BA community, we are 85% of the way toward our PTA fundraising goal! Your contributions make it possible for the BPTA to enable us to meet our fundraising goal for the 2018-2019 school year.

Although we have created our Bruin Village campaign, all families are invited to collect pledges for Walk-A-Jog and raise more funds for BA. We have an online pledge page created automatically for your child on the DoJiggy site during the registration process (<https://brittanacres.dojiggy.com/bapta.myschoolcentral.com>).

Questions? Email bawalkajog@gmail.com.

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PTA News

Are you ready to get involved? Two PTA Board Roles are open!

Follow BA on Social Media

Follow us on Twitter and Facebook for up-to-date info on events and issues!



Joining the PTA Board is a great way to support Brittan Acres. In addition to adding your voice as we seek to make a positive impact on each roles open. Both require attendance at monthly PTA meetings. If interested, please contact ptapresident@brittanacres.org.

- **Parliamentarian** - This role is helpful in making sure our PTA is following the "Robert's Rules" and procedures. It's also critical in helping The busiest time for this role is January through April.
- **Student Services** - This role is responsible for supporting various committee chairs and being the liaison to the PTA Board. The various p Yearbook, and Hot Lunch to name a few. This role does not have a peak time but is rather a little each month.

PTA Meeting, Wednesday October 10, 7pm

Please join us this week for our October PTA Meeting, Wednesday 10/10 at 7:00pm in the Brittan Acres Library. Click here for the [Agenda](#).

Dr. Harmeier, San Carlos School District Superintendent, will be attending toward the end of the meeting.

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Reminder: K-5 Math Parent Information Sessions This Week

Last week, Ms Waslif sent out an announcement regarding K-5 Math Parent Information Sessions. They are happening this week on:

- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 FROM 6:30 PM TO 8:00 PM** An Overview of the SCSD K-5 Math Program, Math In Focus <http://evite.me/zyMK>
- **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 FROM 6:30 PM TO 8:00 PM** Strategies for K-5 Students Who Struggle in Math <http://evite.me/RYcz8VjDt>

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SCEF News

Evening at TOWN event

Our TOWN event was a big success. Thanks to everyone who attended and participated--over \$100,000 was raised! A spe support. Congratulations to Stephanie Brill for winning the Raffle Grand prize.

Silicon Valley Jazz Festival

On October 13th and 14th the Silicon Valley Jazz Festival will be at our own Burton Park. Over 14 bands in 2 days! This is enjoy local talent--middle schools (including Tierra Linda), high schools, colleges and bands, including headliners U.S. Air F information: <http://www.svjazzfest.com/>

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