



The Blast

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Mark Your Calendars

- April 25: Yearbook Orders Due
- April 27: Spring Party

Sunday, April 21, 2019

Principal's Message

Dear Brittan Acres Families,
Spring has sprung at Brittan Acres and that means that the Western Tussock Moth Caterpillar has arrived on our campus once again. They're a common native species and have been around since before our school has been here. Tussock moth populations vary from year to year. They hatch from eggs in the spring and munch on tree leaves for a while before becoming adult moths in the summer. Right now they are appearing across our campus in large numbers and in various locations.

Allergic Reactions: Tussock moth caterpillars are not poisonous and don't bite or sting. They don't transmit any diseases. However, they do have prickly hairs on their bodies that can cause skin irritation. It's best not to touch them. See a doctor if you notice any adverse reaction.

What are We Doing?

To address their arrival, we are blowing the various areas around our campus regularly to keep them from coming in contact with our students. I will be reminding our students not to handle them. Although they may look fuzzy and cuddly, we do not want our students to touch them, so please do the same. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. You may stop by our office at any time, or email me at cwaslif@scsdk8.org.

- May 4: Revel At The Devil's
- May 18: Hometown Days Parade
- May 20-24: Multicultural Week
- June 7: Try It Truck (Grades 2&3)

PTA Corner

- April Meeting [Minutes](#)

Have School News to Share?

Submit your Brittan Acres related news [here](#) by the Wednesday prior to publication.

Community Corner

[STEAM Fest on the Square 2019](#),
Saturday, April 27, Redwood City

Volunteer

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

Warmest Regards,
Ms Waslif, BA Principal



PTA News

2019-2020 Volunteer Sign-up Link - LIVE!

The BA Village is looking for volunteers for 2019-2020! Please consider how you might be able to get involved. There is an opportunity for everyone - both small and large! It's a great way to make a difference in your child's experience and build our community. It takes a Village... jump on in!

Click the link to sign up: <http://signup.com/go/qYgoTOA>

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Multicultural Week Volunteers Needed

Our PTA's celebration of culture and diversity is coming soon! Mark your calendar for Multicultural Week on May 20-24. You can share about your country or cultural heritage with your student's classroom. Sign up to present a country (30 minutes), and contact Ann Lou (annkimlou@yahoo.com) to get information about what to do. We also need volunteers to take photos, make posters and hang up maps.

On Wed, May 22, before school at 8:00-8:30am we'll have an all-school international Flag Parade on the upper yard followed by a cultural dance lesson. Families are invited to join the parade and dancing. We need volunteers to set up, hand out flags, keep the parade moving, take photos, and support the dance leader. These are super easy jobs and we'd love to have you volunteer!

Use this link to sign up: <https://signup.com/go/nZHvkrt>

Thanks to wonderful volunteers like you, our PTA is able to provide amazing programs like Multicultural Week to hundreds of BA students. Multicultural Week allows us to show students the importance of understanding each other's cultures. It gives students a glimpse of beautiful places in other parts of the world.

If you have any questions, contact me. I'd love to hear from you!

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Easy Money Fundraising

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!



Follow BA on Social Media

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



Due This Thursday - BA Yearbook Final Orders

If you haven't ordered your 2018-2019 BA Yearbook, please order it now! The final deadline to order and personalize your child's 2 free pages is Thursday, April 25th.

- Order by visiting: <https://www.treering.com/validate?PassCode=1013474677094825>
- To personalize your child's 2 free pages (printed only in your yearbook): Please log into your TreeRing.com account, add your photos, and verify that you have completed your personalized pages by hitting the "Finished" button by April 25th. For those who do not wish to create these pages, two general BA collage pages will be printed instead. The yearbook will be delivered to your child's classroom during the last week of school.
- Share your photos: Please share pictures you've taken this year of student fun in the classroom, staff around campus or any special programs or events that you've attended. We'd love to include them in the yearbook, and it's a great way to guarantee that plenty of pictures of your kids are included this year! Please send pictures directly to ruzanna25@outlook.com or jennyagoines@gmail.com.
- Can't remember if you've ordered your yearbook yet? You can log into your TreeRing.com account to check, or send a note to Ruzanna or Jenny.
- Third Grade Parents: Please ensure that you've sent a baby picture of your child to ruzanna25@outlook.com if you would like them to be included in the BA annual tradition of "Guess Who Is Who" pages for the graduating class.

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Next Weekend - Heroes & Hearts Spring Party, Saturday, April 27th

Please mark your calendars and save the date for this year's Heroes & Hearts Spring Party on Saturday, April 27th from 5:30pm - 7:30pm. Join us for a night of dancing, face painting and photo booth pictures. The cost is \$12.50 per person, including dinner (min of 2 tickets and students must be accompanied by an adult guardian). Pre-pay online here: <https://bapta.myschoolcentral.com>.

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BA Collecting Gently Used Books for Hometown Days Sale

We are now collecting gently used books, all types of books: baby board books, children books and adult books for the San Carlos Elementary School Hometown Days book sale! Proceeds from the sale go to our four libraries to help fund on the fly purchases at bookstores, bookfairs, etc. Drop books off any time at the library! Then come visit us under the awing of the Arbor Bay School on Sat. and Sun. during hometown days, you are sure to find a treasure or two. Prices are a steal. If you love books, you can sign up for a spot to "work the booth". Thank you all for your support! Karen, BA Librarian.

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Try It Truck Corrections from Last Week's Blast



1st Grade Daisy Troop is Recycling Plastic Markers!



District News

[here](#) to advocate today.

Thursday Night Parent Support Group

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parent-support-group-san-carlos-school-district-tickets-53717537601>

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SCEF News

www.scefkids.org/reveltickets

SCEF Spring Raffle!

Your chance to win a 7-night stay at a luxury beachfront resort in Mexico and other prizes! Tickets are \$50 each or 6 for \$250. Drawing will be at Revel @ Devil's on May 4th. You need not be present to win. Get your tickets at: www.scefkids.org/2019-spring-affle/

June 14, 2019 is San Carlos Night at Oracle Park!



Join parents and community members for the 2019 San Carlos Night at SF Giants. Hear our students sing the National Anthem before the game & watch the Giants take on the Milwaukee Brewers (gametime is 7:15 P.M.). Stay after the game for FIREWORKS!!! Tickets available at San Carlos Youth Center from April 8. Cash or Check only.

Purchase your spot for your child to sing the National Anthem at San Carlos Night at the Giants here: <https://scefkids2019.ggo.bid>

See last year's video: <https://www.scefkids.org/2018-scef-anthem-performance/>

Make It Happen In May

We are on a campaign to reach our fundraising goal by May 31st in hopes of minimizing budget reductions. If the School Board has the estimated SCEF Grant for the 2019-20 school year in June, they can consider this estimate in their final budget deliberations.

Please make your donation now: www.scefkids.org/donate

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