



# The Blast

Brittan Acres School | Weekly Messenger

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## PTA Corner

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

[October Meeting Minutes](#)

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Monday, October 29, 2018

## Principal's Message

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Join us on the Upper Playground at 8:40 on 10/31. We encourage our students to not wear frightening costumes or fake blood and weapons. Masks are worn during parade only.

Thank you

BA's pumpkin decorating contest is almost here. All students are welcome to submit their pumpkin before class on Halloween, located outside at the Amphitheater next to the MU. Pumpkins will be judged on the following categories: Funniest, Scariest, Biggest, Smallest, Most Original, and Best Dressed. All submissions will receive a special treat!

Volunteers are still needed to help make the contest a success! Please sign-up by clicking the link below to see what's available or contact Michele Tomas: [mtomas@gmail.com](mailto:mtomas@gmail.com).

<http://signup.com/go/KpDWrUG>

## Mark Your Calendars

- Halloween Parade: 10/31
- Bruin Village Deadline: 11/02
- BA Holiday Boutique: 11/30
- BA Holiday Boutique: 12/01

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## Volunteer

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

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## Community Update

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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!



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## PTA News

### PTA Fundraising

November 2nd is the deadline to collect WAJ Pledges and join the Bruin Village, and every dollar counts! We are still \$4,000 away from our fundraising goal. Thank you to the 200 Brittan Acres families that have joined the Bruin Village or collected WAJ pledges! Meeting our goal will ensure continued support for programs such as Artist in Residence, Art-in-Action, B.U.G.S., playground equipment, community building events, and teacher hospitality (and a library refresh if we exceed our goal!).

- It's not too late join the Bruin Village at [bapta.myschoolcentral.com](http://bapta.myschoolcentral.com).
- Enlist your community of family and friends and gather those final Walk-A-Jog pledges. Donations are accepted via 2 easy options:
  - Direct them to the "Make a Pledge" page at [www.brittanacres.dojiggy.com](http://www.brittanacres.dojiggy.com); OR
  - Pick up a hard copy pledge letter in the office. Checks made out to Brittan Acres PTA can be dropped off in the WAJ envelope in the office or mailed to 2000 Belle Ave., San Carlos, CA 94070.

Every contribution helps and we truly appreciate your support!

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## Holiday Boutique Is Coming!

Friday, November 30 and Saturday, December 1st

To welcome in the holiday season, BA family and friends convert the Multi-Use room into our very own Holiday Boutique! The Boutique allows our students to shop independently (or with a big kid helper) for lovingly crafted gifts made or assembled entirely by our BA community. In the coming weeks, we will provide additional details for volunteering just before and during the event. However, if you just can't wait, check out <http://signup.com/go/KVBPPsB> to sign up now.



## Follow BA on Social Media

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



Questions? E-mail [BAHolidayBoutique@gmail.com](mailto:BAHolidayBoutique@gmail.com)

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## Pumpkin Decorating Contest - This Wednesday!

Don't forget to submit your decorated pumpkin before the Halloween parade at the BA Amphitheater. All pumpkins will need to be labeled with your child's name, grade, and class room number. Labels will be available.

Pumpkins will be judged on the following categories: Funniest, Scariest, Biggest, Smallest, Most Original, and Best Dressed. All submissions will receive a special treat!

Please pick up your pumpkin by the end of the school day. Please note that any pumpkins left behind after 6:00 pm will be discarded. Questions, please contact Michele Tomas: [mtomas@gmail.com](mailto:mtomas@gmail.com).

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## Girls Leadership Institute

Brittan Acres is hosting another session of Girl's Leadership Institute for Kindergarten through third grade girls, plus one adult.

Girls Leadership offers a series of courses for girls and grown-ups to build emotional intelligence. In the upcoming workshops, girl & grown-up pairs will learn about identifying healthy relationships, finding their voices, and communicating more effectively. Girls also develop resilient responses to conflict, drama, challenges, and mistakes. The program is interactive, fun, and enlightening, and it's also a great opportunity to gain insight and spend time with your daughter in a new and different way.

K/1: Tools for Sunny & Cloudy Days with Friends

Tuesdays, Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 4-5pm

- Week One: Friendship Toolbox
- Week Two: Sharing Feelings & Body Language

- Week Three: Mistakes, We All Make 'Em
- Week Four: Courageous Relationships

Register online at <https://girlsleadership.org/programs/brittanacresk1/>

PW: brittanacresk1

2/3: Brave Goals, Balanced Friendships

Tuesdays, Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 5:30-7pm

- Week One: True Friendship Inside & Out
- Week Two: Self-care and Managing Emotions
- Week Three: Conflict and Compromise: Let's Make A Deal!
- Week Four: Building Our Brave Muscles

Register online at <https://girlsleadership.org/programs/brittanacres23partii/>

Password: brittanacres23

Scholarships are available. Visit [girlsleadership.org/scholarships](https://girlsleadership.org/scholarships) for more details

This workshop is currently private to our community but will open to the public on Nov 12th so please reserve your spot now!

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## SCEF News

### 8th Annual Halloween Candy Buyback

Enjoy some of your Halloween treats and then donate the rest! Drop off your Halloween candy at your school's office November 1-7th. Local Dentists Drs. Amin, Chang and Kaher will donate \$1 per pound of

wrapped candy to SCEF, and Operation Gratitude with Estes Express Shipping will ship the candy to our troops overseas.

Support our troops and support your school!

**Get Your Faculty & Friends Concert Tickets Now At:**

<https://www.scefkids.org/events>

On November 9th at 7pm, join our SCSD music teachers, local musicians and community members for an evening of live music. This popular event, held at St. Charles Church in San Carlos, is great for the whole family. Refreshments will be available for sale at intermission. Support SCEF, music in our schools and enjoy our local musicians.

**SCEF Raffle for a Fantastic Spring Break Vacation, March 30-April 6, 2019**

Win a Vacation Rental for Spring Break in Orlando, and make your family's Florida dream vacation come true! Win a 2 night stay in a two-bedroom villa at Sheraton Vistana Resort Villas at Lake Buena Vista in Orlando. Sleeps 8.

Drawing on November 30, 2018 at 7pm during Night of Holiday Lights on Laurel Street in San Carlos. Get your tickets by emailing: [raffle@scefkids.org](mailto:raffle@scefkids.org)

Ticket prices are: 1 for \$25, 3 for \$60, 5 for \$100

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