

BETTE PEROT *Elementary*

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Thank you for joining us at "Donuts with Dad" this past week! We had a record number of dads participating with their children.

We hope you enjoyed the delicious donuts made by our terrific cafeteria staff. We have such a wonderful group of dads! Thanks!



A letter from our Principal...

Dear Perot Patriot Parents,

I can't believe it, but it is April already! I know I always say this, but this year has gone by very quickly. Unfortunately, the last two months of school always pass by the quickest. However, we still have much to accomplish before the last day of school! Third and fourth grade TAKS testing is continued this month as well as TPRI testing for kindergarten through second grades. Remember to encourage your child to get plenty of sleep and eat a healthy breakfast every day, but especially on testing days.

It is never too late to be a part of your child's school! As we near the end of the year there are many opportunities to partner in your child's education. We have cultural events, field days, 4th grade play days, etc. all coming up soon. We would love to see all of you participating in the events your child takes part in. As I have said before, Bette Perot Elementary is a wonderful place to be. Your commitment to all of our students makes us what we are. Thank you for all you do!

Patriot Proud,

Cory Wilson
Principal, BPES
Cory.Wilson@kellerisd.net

Don't forget the bad weather pickup procedures in case of rain or other bad weather.

April showers bring May flowers.



A note from our PTA President...



Patriot Families,

It's finally warm! I am so glad that winter is over and spring is finally here. The school year is flying by but we still have lots of great opportunities to come together.

I would like to thank everyone that came to our PTA's March General Assembly meeting. Ms. Puff did a great job with our first Math Night. A big thank you to Nicole Eyeington for all her hard work organizing this fun event. Mark your calendars for our next General Assembly meeting on April 20 at 6:30 p.m. Our ESL teacher, Mrs. John, will be presenting BPES 3rd annual Cultural Fair. You won't want to miss it! This is such a great night to come together as a school community and learn from each other.

PTA is hard at work organizing our Spring Block Party. The evening of May 14 will be a time for the community to come together and celebrate the end of the school year. Be on the lookout for a call for volunteers to be coming soon.

Finally, now is the time to start planning for PTA leadership for the 2010-2011 school year. The Nominating Committee is hard at work preparing a slate of officers to be voted on at the April General Assembly meeting. For more information regarding the various leadership roles available, please contact Lynita Yarbrough at layarb@me.com. Additionally, there are also many chair positions that are by appointment. I encourage everyone to consider a position within this great organization. If you are interested in a chair position or have any questions, please contact me at aldredge4@verizon.net.

It truly is a privilege and an honor to part of such an amazing school and community.

Patriot Parent,
Angie Aldredge
BPES PTA President



First Grade students perform for the school on March 9, 2010. The "Barnyard Moosical" was a big hit!



BPES April 2010 Calendar

M	T	W	TH	F
12 * Start bringing in gently used books to recycle in the library.	13 *4th Grade Patriot's Choir Practice 3:00	14 *Yum Me Frozen Yogurt Dining Out	15 *Spring Pictures * Brown Bag lunch with Dr. V. at Central High School library *Love & Logic in library 6:00	16
19 * 3rd Grade Recorder Recitals * EARTH WEEK BEGINS * Wear Green Day! * Students get to choose a recycled book to take home.	20 * Walk, Bike, or Scooter to school. * 3rd Grade Recorder Recitals * Administrative Professionals Appreciation Day * 4th Grade Patriot's Choir Practice 3:00 * PTA General Assembly Meeting and Cultural Connections Night	21 * Pack a waste free lunch. * Preschool Patriot's Story time - library 8:30 am * 3rd Grade Recorder Recitals	22 EARTH DAY! * Wear environmental slogans. * 3rd Grade Recorder Recitals * Love & Logic in library 6:00	23 * Progress Reports are sent home
26	27 * 3rd and 4th TAKS - Math * No school admittance	28 * 3rd and 4th TAKS- Reading * No school admittance	29 * Love & Logic in library 6:00	30
May * Art Fair at Keller Town Hall begins and runs through May 7	4 * Art Fair * 4th Grade Patriot's Choir Practice 3:00	5 * Art Fair * Preschool Patriot's Story time - library 8:30 am	6 * Art Fair * 4th Grade Play Day * Love & Logic in library 6:00	7 * Art Fair * Early Release at 12:15 * Artist Reception at Keller Town Hall 5:00
10 * K-2 TPRI Testing Window	11 * K-2 TPRI Testing Window * Volunteer Breakfast in library * 4th Grade Patriot's Choir Practice 3:00	12 * K-2 TPRI Testing Window * Chick-Fil-A Dining Out	13 * K-2 TPRI Testing Window * 4th Grade Choir Performance 2:10 PM	14 * K-2 TPRI Testing Window * PTA BLOCK PARTY

Weekend Reminder:

24th - KISD Teacher Job Fair

CONGRATULATIONS

Ms. Barnett



BPE S TEACHER OF THE YEAR!

Brown Bag Lunch with Dr. Veitenheimer

Please join Superintendent Dr. James. R. Veitenheimer at the next brown bag lunch at Central High School on April 15, 2010, at 12:00 PM. Central High School is located at 9450 Ray White Road, Keller, TX 76244.

Parents and community members are invited to sit down with Dr. Veitenheimer to discuss hot topics and district

events, share important information and ask questions.

KISD Teacher Job Fair

Keller ISD will host an Interview Day for all out-of-district applicants who are interested in becoming a teacher for KISD on Saturday, April 24, 2010 from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM.

For more information, please contact Van Hogel at 817-744-1079.

District Art Show

Mark your calendars now!
Come to Keller Town Hall the week of May 3rd-7th to view Bette Perot students' art work. Other schools will be featured also. Please view the [KISD site](#) for the complete list. There will be an opening reception on May 6th between 5 and 7 PM.

★ Reading Makes You a Star ★

When you're in the library, make sure you check out the Reading Bingo "Walk of Fame". It features "Star" students that have already completed Reading Bingo Blackout. Don't worry, you still have time to turn in bingo cards but the deadline is April 23rd. We will have our Reading Bingo Celebration for students completing all six boards in May. Keep up the good work!

April 11th through April 17th is National Library Week and the entire month of April is National Poetry Month. Try to visit the BPE Library or your local library and find some great poetry books. Some great poetry websites include www.poetry4kids.com/ and www.gigglepoetry.com

Look for more information to come soon about our BOGO (Buy One, Get One) Scholastic Book Fair May 14th - 19th. This will be a great opportunity to stock up on summer reading items!

Happy Reading!
Mrs. Pratt
amy.pratt@kellerisd.net



Earth Day

Earth Day is on April 22 and the BPE Library is encouraging everyone to "recycle their" books. Students may bring new and gently used children's books to the library during the week of April 12th -16th. They can bring one book or ten! My hope is to have enough books so that during their library visits, April 19th-23rd, each student will get to choose one "new" book to take home. Any leftover books will be donated to a local charity. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you, Mrs. Pratt
amy.pratt@kellerisd.net

Monday, April 19th thru Thursday, April 22nd is Earth Week! The Bette Perot Elementary PTA is sponsoring a week of activities to raise awareness about environmental concerns and encourage ecological responsible practices. Please join us for the following events:

All week: Fill the bin! Bring in junk mail, catalogs, magazines, newspapers, and flyers (no phonebooks or cardboard, please). Dump them in the green and yellow Abitibi Bin in the back parking lot. Let your child's teacher know they are participating.

Monday, April 19: Wear Green Day! Dress in green to show your support of living green.

Tuesday, April 20: Walk, Bike, or Scooter to and from school to reduce the use of fossil fuel and carbon emissions.

Wednesday, April 21: Pack a Waste Free Lunch! Try to pack a lunch that sends nothing to our local landfill. Use reusable plastic containers instead of throw-away plastic bags. Fill a reusable water bottle.

Thursday, April 22: Wear Environmental Slogans today! Wear clothing or accessories that advocate environmental practices.

Thank you for your participation! Remember to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle!

-Scott Yeager, Environmental Chair, BPE PTA

**All Staff Appreciation Week
April 12th - 16th**



The PTA would like to invite you to show the amazing staff at Bette Perot how much we appreciate them. We have so many wonderful staff members outside the classrooms that make BPES the best. If you would like, you may join us during the week of April 12-16 in recognizing all they do. A few ideas are: to say thanks, have your child draw a picture, make a card, or bring a special treat to someone that makes your child's learning experience great.

**Administrators * Office Staff * Counselor * Librarian
Nurse * PE Teachers * Music Teachers * Art Teachers
CM * Dyslexia * GT * IST * Speech
Diagnostician * ICT * Cafeteria Staff * Custodial Staff**



Spring Block Party

Spring is in the air and planning is well under way for the much anticipated Spring Block Party!

This year's event is taking place on Friday, May 14th and we are looking for volunteers. Without you, events like this would not be possible.

We are also seeking product or service donations. If you own a business, please consider making a charitable donation that can be raffled at our chance drawing. All monies raised directly benefit's the students of our wonderful school.

If you would like to donate your time or if you would like to donate a product/ service, please contact Shari Landrie: sharisue727@aol.com or Susan McLemore: skmclmore@gmail.com .

Thank you for your support!



Cultural Awareness Fair April 20, 2010

Bette Perot's 3rd annual Cultural Fair will be held on Tuesday evening, April 20th, at 6:45 PM, following the PTA meeting.

Ballet Folklorico de Mexico will perform at 7:00 PM and several Bette Perot families will share their cultures through music, language, arts, flags, traditional clothing, games, and food samples. If your family would like to host a table and share your unique culture, please

contact :

Caroline John

ESL teacher

caroline.john@kellerisd.net



BPES 1st Annual Science Fair

Bette Perot will be hosting our 1st Annual Science Fair in May. We are very excited about this event and every student is invited to participate. An electronic copy of the Science Fair packet is one the [BPES website](#), or students are welcome to come by the front office to pick up a packet. Also see the scoring rubrics for each grade, to give you an idea of how the projects will be graded.



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A big thanks—we couldn't have done it without you!

If you are not currently enrolled, please remember that enrollment only takes a few minutes. Target gives a percentage of your purchases back to our school. Grandparents, friends or neighbors can help, too. (They don't even have to be local residents.) We currently have 19 participants and hope to double that number before the end of the school year.

Program details can be found at target.com/tcoe or by calling 1-800-316-6142.



Cupstacking Tournament

For more information on speed stacking, please click [here](#).

How do you stack up?

This past weekend we had a group of students represent Bette Perot at Keller's first ever cupstacking tournament. Our students did a fabulous job, and we couldn't have been prouder.

Zachary Thompson competed exceptionally well and place in every event that he participated in. He received fifth place in the 3-3-3 competition, fourth place in the 3-6-3 competition, and third place in the cycle competition. Zachary was also on a 3-6-3 relay team with Ally Meisinger, Aidan Barriga, and Madeline Munoz. This team placed third overall.

Great job cupstackers! We were extremely proud to represent such an amazing group of kids.

Ms. Cerny and Mrs. Malpass



Zachary Thompson - cupstacking competitor



SPRING CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

At the BPES Spring Block Party

Friday, May 14, 2010

5 PM - 8PM

We will be hosting the Craft & Vendor Fair during our 4th annual Spring Block Party. The Craft & Vendor fair will take place on Friday, May 14 from 5-8pm in the school gymnasium.

10'x6' spaces are still available for \$40 each. A limited number of tables will be available for an additional fee of \$10 each. Set up will be available on Friday, May 14 beginning at 4pm. A limited amount of electrical outlets are available on a first come, first served basis.

For more information and an application, please contact
Susan McLemore at skmclmore@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support!



The February/March classroom contest winner is

Mrs. Campbell's 1st grade class!!!

They collected a total of **454 box tops!** The class will get Goodie bags filled with great prizes for their outstanding contribution to the program! Way to go class!

Our next contest count will be the last for the school year which will be at grade level. The Grade who collected the most Box Tops throughout the entire school year will receive an amazing GRAND PRIZE! So good luck with your clipping and saving up box tops!

A couple of quick reminders so that all of the box tops that you send in can be counted: Please make sure when you clip them to include the expiration date and the 10¢ symbol. Box Tops without the date and symbol cannot be submitted and therefore, cannot be counted towards the classroom totals. Also, we are NOT sending in Campbell's soup labels this year, they also do not count in the contest totals.

To learn more, visit www.boxtops4education.com. Thanks for choosing to make a difference in our school with Box Tops!

Thank you,

Kristi Frazier Sabrina Dixson

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Art in Education...

Until April 4, 2010 –

Slappy's Puppet Playhouse -

Aladdin and the Magic Lamp
13350 Dallas Parkway, #3140 (in the Galleria Mall); Dallas, TX 75240
214-369-4849
www.slappysplayhouse.com

Until May 2, 2010 –

Fort Worth Museum of Science and History - CSI: THE EXPERIENCE. GET A CLUE. SOLVE THE CRIME.

Now you play the role of the investigator in a forensic science exhibit created in collaboration with the TV series and actors. CSI: The Experience is a completely immersive exhibit that invites you to enter "crime" scenes where you identify and record evidence. It takes you inside "laboratories" for scientific testing and to "autopsy" rooms for pathology analysis. Then it returns you to the "office" to build your case, based on the scientific evidence. The exhibit brings to life real scientific principles and the most advanced scientific techniques used today by crime scene investigators and forensic scientists. *The exhibit is geared toward adults and youth age 12 and above.* Entry is included with Museum exhibit admission.

www.CSItheexperience.org

1600 Gendy St., Ft. Worth, TX 76107
817-255-9300 www.fwmuseum.org

April 2 - 18, 2010 -

Casa Mañana Theatre Cinderella

When her Fairy Godmother transforms her rags into a beautiful gown and sends Cinderella to the Royal Ball in a pumpkin chariot, not even her wicked stepmother and evil stepsisters can keep her from finding true love. But when the spell is broken at midnight and Cinderella flees the castle, the Prince must scour the kingdom to find the girl of his dreams, whose foot alone will fit into the magical glass slipper. This show is suitable for all audiences.

3101 West Lancaster Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76107; 817.332.2272

www.casamanana.org

April 4, 2010 –

The Modern Drawing from the Collection for Children 2-3:30 pm - Josephine Durkin

This exciting gallery program is designed for children between the ages of 6 and 12, and is offered on the first Sunday of each month when gallery admission is free. (Children under the age of 6 must be accompanied by an adult.) The program is led by an artist who takes participants through informal drawing exercises in relation to works in the Modern's collection. Bring a sketchbook and pencils or purchase materials from The Modern Shop. Attendance is limited to 20 participants, so arrive early to sign up at the information desk to ensure your space. Class is closed to additional participants after 2 pm.

3200 Darnell Street, Fort Worth, TX 76107; 817.738.9215

childrensprogram@themodern.org
www.themodern.org

April 10, 2010 - June 20, 2010 –

Slappy's Puppet Playhouse - The Jungle Book

13350 Dallas Parkway, #3140 (in the Galleria Mall); Dallas, TX 75240
214-369-4849

www.slappysplayhouse.com

April 14, 2010 –

The Modern Wonderful Wednesdays 4-4:45 pm-Visiting the work of Morris Louis and Jackson Pollock

This free gallery program for families is designed as an informal introduction to the collection and special exhibitions. Offered once a month, Wonderful Wednesdays consists of a focused tour and is accompanied by a gallery project designed by the Modern's education staff. Prior registration is not required. Meet at the admission desk to sign in. Limited to 30 participants.

3200 Darnell Street, Ft. Worth, TX 76107; 817.738.9215

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April 17, 2010 -

Kimbell Art Museum – 1 PM to 4 PM – Family Festival:
Spring into Asian Art

From peach-blossom screen paintings to Japanese wind-sock constructions, celebrate the arrival of spring with art-making activities inspired by popular Asian traditions. Program highlights include Japanese drum performances by Dondoko Taiko of Fort Worth. Hands-on activities and film programs, along with storytelling and other performances, provide lively entertainment and rich learning experiences for visitors of all ages! No reservations required. Admission is free. Children's films generously provided by the Lone Star Film Society and KIDSFIRST.

3333 Camp Bowie Boulevard; Fort Worth, Texas 76107-2792
817-332-8451, ext 297

www.kimbellart.org

April 30 - May 16, 2010 -

Casa Mañana Theatre Peter Pan
Never grow up! Fly off to Neverland with Peter Pan, Wendy and Tinkerbell and join the Lost Boys in a magical adventure, as they battle against the evil Captain Hook and his band of pirates. Get swept away in this exhilarating, Tony Award-winning musical adaptation of the classic J.M. Barrie play. This show is suitable for all audiences.

3101 West Lancaster Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76107; 817.332.2272

www.casamanana.org

Have a great month!
Jen Guerrero
Art in Education



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