

Welcome to the Weekly PTO News!

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Did you know...

- There is a PTO meeting this Friday with a parent get-together afterwards?
- Brophy families have the opportunity to provide feedback on our school through an online survey?
- This Thursday is an EARLY RELEASE!



Brophy Values

Be Safe

Be Prepared

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

Friday Folder

Each student receives a Friday Folder with notices from teachers, school administration, Brophy PTO, and community groups. Please remind your student to show you this information each Friday.

This week's Friday Folder included:

- March lunch menu
- American Heart Association Kids Heart Challenge Flyer and Optional Fundraising Form

PTO Meeting and Parent Meet-Up on Friday, March 8th

Come join us next Friday March 8th from 6:30-7:30 pm for an adult only PTO Meeting! You may be asking then what's all the super fun about ?? 🎉🎉🎉🎉 We tend to think



SAVE THE DATE

March

Family Survey Info Session
Tuesday, Mar 5

EARLY RELEASE
Thursday, Mar 7

PTO Meeting*
Friday, Mar 8
6:30pm - 7:30pm
*Adults Only

Parent Meet-Up
Friday, Mar 8
7:30pm

BOKS Spring Session
Mar 19 - May 30

Monthly Book Swap
Wednesday, Mar 13

First Dress Rehearsal for the Variety Show
Thursday, Mar 14
3:15pm - 5:15pm

Dress Rehearsal for the Variety Show
Thursday, Mar 28
3:15pm - 5:15pm

Variety Show
Friday, Mar 29
6:30pm

April

Thursday, April 4
Monthly Birthday Celebration

Friday, April 12
NO SCHOOL
Professional Day

April 15 - 19
Spring Recess

Dinner and Bingo Night
Date TBA

Communicating with Brophy

Want Brophy information sent

our meetings are always super fun but next Friday we would like to invite who ever would like to join us to the 99 Restaurant in Framingham! Have some snacks and some extra fun time with other Brophy parents! We will head over to the 99 directly after the meeting.

This is a self-pay evening. If you do need to bring a child to the meeting please bring a quiet activity for them as there will be no movie or children's activity planned. Looking forward to seeing you next Friday evening!!

Framingham Family Survey - Your Input is Important!

On Thursday, February 28th, Brophy families received an email from the Framingham School District about a survey designed to give an opportunity to provide feedback on our school.



Last Year's Results

Excerpts of the 2017-2018 parent/guardian and student survey results can be found on the Framingham Public Schools [website](#). Please feel free to review and contact our Health and Wellness Department with any questions.

Information Session

We will be hosting an Information Session on Tuesday, March 5th from 6:30pm - 8:00pm in the Woodrow Wilson cafetorium to review last year's results and to explain the impact of your partnership with these surveys. Food, childcare, and translation services will be provided to encourage family engagement around this important topic. You can register on [Eventbrite](#) or on [Facebook](#).

2018-2019 Survey

We will be conducting this survey again for students and parents. The surveys are being administered earlier this school year than in years past, as it will allow for real-time progress and improvement opportunities once the survey results are received. Additionally, the survey will be completed prior to the MCAS testing time. The surveys will be the same as those previously administered, which will help the district track our progress over time, and will include the following measures:

- Student/Family Engagement: How involved are students/families with their schools?
- School Climate: How do you see the overall social and learning climate of the school?
- Teacher/Student and Family Relationships: How strong is the social connection between teachers and students within and beyond school?

right to your mobile device?

Text brophy to 444-999 and follow the prompts.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFO

Please make sure you immediately contact the Brophy Office staff and let them know about any changes in your home phone number and work phone so they can reach you in case of an emergency with your child.

SCHOOL MEALS

Breakfast (menu) FREE
Lunch (menu) \$2.75

District Calendar 2018-2019

English
Spanish
Portuguese

FPS School Committee

The next meeting is this Wednesday, February 6th. See the Agenda [HERE](#).

Visit the [School Committee website](#) for more details.

Framingham PTO Council (PTOC)

How can parents/guardians take the survey?

- When: The survey will be available from February 25 to March 22, 2019. All surveys will be available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese.
- How: You should have received an email with a link to the survey on February 25, 2019.

BOKS Spring Session - March 19 - May 30 Building Our Kids' Success

We are pleased to announce that BOKS registration for Spring Session is open! We run the program every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:05am - 9:00am for the session dates above. BOKS is a before school physical activity program run by parent volunteers. BOKS prepares children for a day of learning, and teaches them the importance of exercise, and healthy choices. Up to 40 children in grades K-5 may participate in each session. If there are more than 40 registrants, the participants will be chosen based on a lottery. Deadline is March 11, 2019. Parents are expected to participate at least one day during the session. If possible, we would love to have you help one day or two days a week. More information is available at Bokskids.org. Any questions please contact Lawrence Stevens and Erin Maltbie at BrophyBOKStrainer@gmail.com. For Registration information in English, Click [HERE](#) and [HERE](#). For Information and registration form in Spanish, click [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).



Free Citizenship Workshop

There will be a free citizenship workshop sponsored by Project Citizenship (www.projectcitizenship.org) coming up on Saturday, March 9th at 10am at Framingham State University. To register or for more information, call 617-694-5949. Here are the details in **ENGLISH** and **SPANISH**. If you have a family member or neighbor who needs assistance, please share this information!



Next meeting: May 13

Check out the **Framingham PTO Council FB page** or visit the **website**.

Framingham Public Library

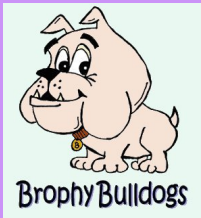
Learn about the current **activities** and hours at the Framingham Public Library (main and McAuliffe branches).

Call For Science Fair Coaches!

The 21st annual Brophy Science Fair will take place on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm in the cafetorium. **We need coaches!** A coach volunteers his/her time to coach a team of students through a science experiment/investigation. The goal is to get our children **excited** about science! Coaches Sign-up Forms were included in this week's Friday Folder. You can sign up electronically **here**, if you prefer. Email **brophysciencefair@gmail.com** for more information. We look forward to working with you!



R-E-S-P-E-C-T



Our Brophy staff, faculty and bulldog created this VIDEO to emphasize our Brophy Values that are part of our PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) program. Sit back and ENJOY!

Brophy Yard Sale!

Save the Date! **Saturday, May 4** will be the Brophy Yard Sale. Clean out your closets, attics & garages! Sell your treasures or come shop to find all the items you just can't live without! Sign up now to receive an early bird discount. More information in English **HERE** and Spanish **HERE**.



Upcoming Monthly Book Swap

Wednesday, March 13th will be our monthly book swap! Your child can bring in 1 to 2 age-appropriate books to swap for the same amount of "new-to-them" books. Volunteers are needed! Please click **HERE** to sign up. Thank you!



Brophy PTO News - Spread the Word

Please remind other Brophy families to **sign up** to receive this newsletter so they can be in the loop about happenings in and around our school!

Support Brophy When you Shop Online

If you shop online, please remember to use these links to **AmazonSmile**, **igive.com**, and **GoodShop**. Designate Brophy PTO as your charity so we earn credits for your purchases!

Planet Aid Bin

Do you have any clothes or textiles you don't want or need? Are they stained, ripped, or mismatched? No problem! Recycle them by dropping them off in the Planet Aid yellow bin located in Brophy's parking lot. Brophy earns

money for your donations. Acceptable items include clothing, blankets, towels, shoes, backpacks, jackets, pillow, curtains, table linens, stuffed animals. Must be fabric items only.



Sign Up for the Stop & Shop Reward Program

Its easy - earn cash for Brophy!

Shopping at our local Stop&Shop stores can help earn money for our school! Brophy can earn CASH from A+ School Rewards, a great fundraising program run through your local Stop & Shop! **It's easy to participate - sign up today!** *(Please note: you do need to re-register your card!).*



Parent Resources

Below are some important resources for families

- Framingham Public Schools
- Brophy Elementary School
- 2018-2019 School Calendar
- Parent Information Center
- School Lunch Menu
- Explorers Before and After School Program

School address and phone number:

Brophy Elementary School
575 Pleasant Street
Framingham, MA 01701
Office: 508-626-9158
Attendance Line: 508-626-9158

Brophy Fundraisers

You can help in so many ways!

Your participation in our fundraisers with purchases or volunteer time support the activities to make Brophy a robust learning environment. **If you have any ideas for fundraisers or want to help in any way, please email us .**



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Use these links to **AmazonSmile**, **igive.com**, and **GoodShop**. Designate Brophy PTO as your charity so we earn credits for your purchases!

Donations

ALSO, if you would like to make a tax-deductible cash donation to benefit our General Fund, please donate online at <https://squareup.com/store/brophy-pto> or write check to Brophy school, payable to **Brophy PTO** with *General Fund* in the memo. Donations are accepted all year round and are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Please inquire with your company's Human Resources representative to find out if your company has a matching gifts program which can help you double your donation. **Thank you for your support!**

The **Brophy Elementary School** website is managed by the Framingham Public Schools. Feel free to **email us** if you have any feedback. Thank you!



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