

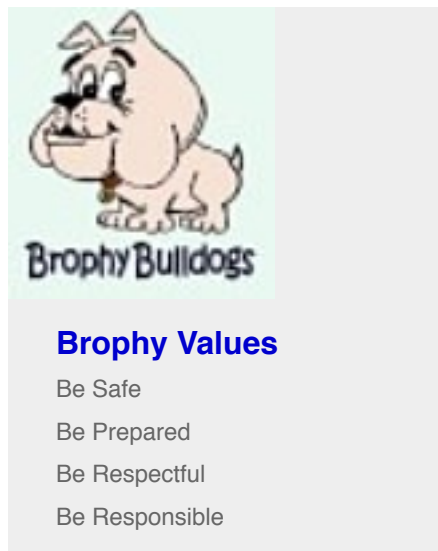
Welcome to the Weekly PTO News!

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### Did you know...

- Monday, October 8th is Columbus Day. Enjoy your long weekend!
- There are many ways to get involved with the PTO! Find out [HERE!](#)
- PICTURE DAY is Friday, October 19th. A portion of every school picture purchase will be donated to the Brophy PTO by the photographer.



### 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:

- Box Tops sheet
- Brophy Fun Run Information
- School picture order form
- Multicultural Fair Sign-up form
- Yankee Candle Fundraising Packet

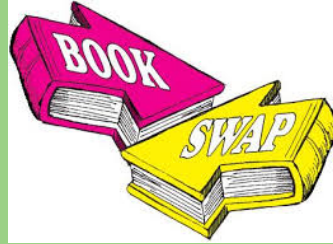
### Communicating with Brophy

Want Brophy information sent

### Monthly Book Swap

Wednesday, October 10th is the 1st monthly book swap for 2018-2019 school year! Your child

right to your mobile device? Text brophy to 444-999 and follow the prompts.



can bring in 1 to 2 age-appropriate books to swap for the same amount of "new-to-them" books. As a reminder, we are in need of Spanish

*books!*

Volunteers are needed for an hour or two between 11:00am and 1:30pm.

If you are interested please click [HERE](#) to sign up. If you would like to volunteer during your child's lunch time, here are the times by grade:

K: 11:30am - 12:00pm

1: 11:45am - 12:15pm

2: 12 - 12:30pm

3: 12:15 - 12:45pm

4: 12:45 - 1:15pm

5: 12:30 - 1:00pm

## SAVE THE DATE

### October

NO SCHOOL -  
Columbus Day  
Monday, Oct 8

Monthly Book Swap  
Wednesday, Oct 10

Birthday Celebration  
Thursday, Oct 11

Operation Warm  
Monday, Oct 15

Early Dismissal  
Thursday, Oct 18

Picture Day  
Friday, Oct 19

Multicultural Fair  
Sunday, Oct 21

BJ's Fundraiser  
Oct 22 - Nov 5

Early Dismissal  
Thursday, Oct 25

Art Matters Day  
Friday, Oct 26

Freaky Friday Party  
Friday, Oct 26  
6:30pm

Fun Run Kick-off  
Pep Rally  
Tuesday, Oct 30

### November

Early Dismissal  
Thursday, Nov 1

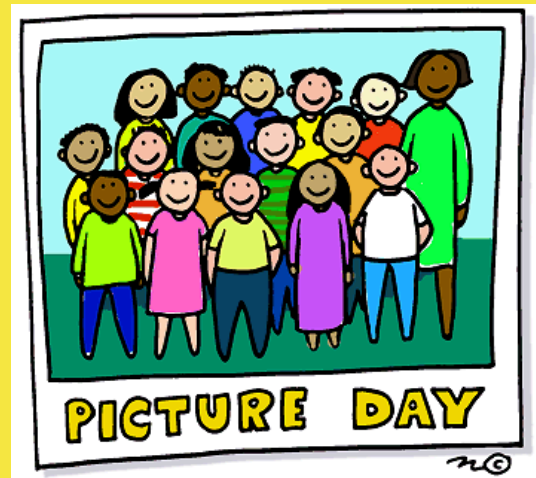
NO SCHOOL  
Election Day  
Tuesday, Nov 6

Fun Run  
Friday, November 9

NO SCHOOL

## Picture Day is October 19th!

Mark your calendar for Friday, October 19th for picture day! Class and individuals pictures are taken this day. Keep in mind that we only have school pictures once a year. See this [flyer](#) for ordering information.



## Operation Warm: Winter Coats for Brophy Students!

Veteran's Day  
Monday, Nov 12

NO SCHOOL  
Thanksgiving  
Recess  
Thursday, Nov 22 -  
Friday, Nov 23

### Parent Resources

Framingham Public Schools  
Brophy Elementary School  
Parent Information Center  
Explorers of Brophy After  
School Program

### SCHOOL MEALS

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

### District Calendar 2018-2019

English  
Spanish  
Portuguese

### FPS School Committee

Visit the **School  
Committee website** for  
more details.

### Framingham Town- Wide PTO (TWPTO)

Next meeting: TBD

Check out the  
**Framingham Town-  
Wide PTO FB page** or  
visit the **website**.

### Framingham Public Library

As the temperatures outside drop, we are asking that you wait to purchase a new winter coat for your child! We are thrilled to announce that Brophy Elementary School has been selected by Operation Warm, a national nonprofit, and in conjunction with TJX and Jewish Family Services of



coat

Metrowest, to participate in their Operation Warm "More Than A Coat" program! Operation Warm provides warmth, confidence, and hope to children in need through the gift of brand new winter coats. "We believe a brand new coat is more than a coat. Through serving millions of children in need across North America, we have seen that a brand new coat offers a child physical and emotional warmth, confidence to socialize and succeed, and hope of a brighter future."

On **Monday, October 15, 2018**, volunteers from Operation Warm and TJX will distribute a coat to every Brophy School student. Classes will be called down to the gymnasium where volunteers will help students choose a brand new coat. There is nothing parents need to do; every student at Brophy will receive a new coat on the 15th. Teachers will be sending home an optional media release form for parents to consider signing but you are not obligated to do so. Even if you do not complete the waiver, your child will still receive a new coat. Here is a link to Operation Warm:

<https://www.operationwarm.org/>

### Art Matters Day ~ Friday, October 26th

On October 26th, all elementary, middle and high schools throughout our school district will be celebrating "Arts Matter Day" with displays and/or



mini-events surrounding music, theatre, dance, and visual arts. Brophy students will be working in art class this month to create contributions to an even more beautiful school courtyard. This enhancement will support the use of this space as an "Outdoor Classroom" as most contributions will directly connect to science and/or social studies units in each of the grade levels.

Homeroom groups will be invited to take an "Arts Walk" through the courtyard that day, and some lucky Brophites will be lucky enough to witness (and/or partake in) a special musical surprise! The district Fine-Arts director, Donna Wreskinski, will be visiting with Superintendent Tremblay to celebrate the day, and to check out this exciting display. Don't worry, we will be sure to post plenty of photos on Facebook!

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

## Yankee Candle Fundraiser



Love wrapping paper, chocolate drizzled popcorn or fun kitchen gadgets? These are just some of the items you can purchase IN ADDITION to the wonderful products made by Yankee Candle to help support Brophy Elementary! We earn 40% from each purchase. Order forms were in your child's Friday Folder, or you can purchase items online at this link <https://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com/store.htm>. The WHITE order forms are due Friday October 19th for guaranteed Christmas delivery. Please make checks payable to BROPHY PTO. If you would like to pay by credit card, please click the "Shop Now" button on our Facebook Page, Brophy Elementary School PTO, and add your order amount. More information [HERE](#).

## Brophy's 10th Annual Multicultural Fair

Sunday, Oct 21,  
1 - 3pm



This has been the biggest Brophy event of the year! Now looking for table hosts and performances for our fair. Share your family's culture through food, handicrafts, music, or even a performance! More Information [HERE](#). Sign up [HERE](#).

## Brophy Fun Run 2018!



10/30/2018 - 11/9/2018

Parents! This year's main fundraiser is the Brophy Fun Run! It's a two-week program that kicks off with a Pep Rally on Tuesday, October 30. Families then gather pledges for every lap your student runs (30 - 35 laps), and we'll celebrate at the Fun Run on Friday, November 9, 2018. Families will be invited to come out and cheer on their students at the Fun

Run!

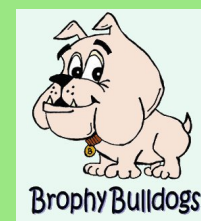
Donations will go toward making cool updates to our playground, funding field trips and other student activities! So please help our school by reaching out to sponsors.

Students will also experience an amazing character theme, **MINDSPARK MYSTERY LAB!** Boosterthon's most exciting theme yet combines S.T.E.A.M skills (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) with character-building. While they're teaming up with the MindSpark Kids to solve mysteries, our students will learn five 21st-century character traits that will help strengthen themselves and our world.

Thank you for your support! **Click HERE** for more information. View a video to find out more **HERE**.

## Brophy Store

Brophy families can show school spirit with Brophy Bulldog apparel. An order will be placed in October. Orders may be placed using **this form** or by going to **the website**.



## Band Schedule

5th graders, get ready to tune your instruments! **Here's** your weekly schedule of lessons.



## 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!).*



## Box Tops for Education!

Send in your Box Tops so we can earn 10¢ for each one! Ask friends and family members to collect them as well. Collect them in a baggie or send them

to school on the **collection sheet**. Box Tops can be **found on hundreds of products**, Thank you for your participation!

## 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 .**



## Shop Online

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 send a 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!**

## 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 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!

# Parent Resources



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Below are some important resources for you as we start the new school year!

Important links

- [Framingham Public Schools](#)
- [Brophy Elementary School](#)
- [2018-2019 School Calendar](#)
- [Parent Information Center](#)
- [School Lunch Menu](#)

School address and phone number:  
Brophy Elementary School  
575 Pleasant Street  
Framingham, MA 01701  
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Attendance Line: 508-626-9158

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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