



# BVE PTA NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2021

## SHOUTOUTS TO OUR COMMUNITY

October was a busy month for Bella Vista, and the PTA would like to give special thanks to everyone who helped make it special for our students.

- Welcome to our new principal, Mrs. Martinez! Many families already got the chance to meet her at the Polly's Pies fundraiser, at the Halloween Trunk or Treat, or at morning drop-off where she is regularly seen greeting students.
- Congratulations to Valentina Cabrera Moriyama, Emma Martinez, and Omar Raine Morales for being the top sellers in our Boon Catalog fundraiser and thanks to everyone who participated.
- Thank you to the community members who volunteered to judge the Reflections art entries.
- Thank you to all who participated in Red Ribbon Week and showed they were proud to be drug free!
- Thank you to our volunteers who helped sell Halloween grams before and after school and to those who helped assemble them!
- Thank you to Mrs. Jimenez and Ms. Tom for making it possible for families to watch the Halloween parade via Zoom and through the recording.

- Thank you to BVE staff members (Ms. Judy, Ms. Krissy, Mr. Matthew, Ms. Nadine) for helping to pass out Spirit Day prizes to all classrooms since parent volunteers are not allowed on campus.
- Thank you to all of the Halloween Trunk or Treat volunteers who decorated their cars, decorated the fence, set up the photo backdrop, donated candy, served as DJ, sold snacks, distributed spirit wear orders, and helped clean up. It took a village!



Left: Ms. Jimenez Zooming the Halloween Parade;  
Right: Sample of Halloween Grams

## SAVE THE DATE

- **Parent Support Group (Nov.2, 9, 16):** This group, offered in collaboration with Alma Family Services, is a space for families to find a community of support. Check ClassDojo for weekly Zoom link.
- **Spirit Day (Nov.5):** Wear your BVE spirit gear! Also, students who completed all their homework in October will receive a prize.
- **Parent Teacher Conferences (Nov.15-19):** Sign-up for an appointment with your child's teacher and don't forget students get out at 1:15pm all week
- **See's Fundraiser (Nov.15-Dec.3):** The online BVE See's store will be open for three weeks for those looking to buy holiday gifts.
- **Fall Break (Nov.22-26):** There will be no school this week, happy Thanksgiving!
- **SSC/ELAC Meeting (Nov.30):** Learn how academic goals are set and resources are allocated at BVE
- **Reflections Art Award Celebration (TBD):** A celebration recognizing program participants will be announced on ClassDojo.



# REFLECTIONS PROGRAM WINNERS

Every year the National PTA holds a Reflections Art Program where students can submit their works of art in one or all of the available categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts. This year's theme was "I will change the world by...." The BVE PTA was excited to participate this year.

Entries were due on October 12th. We thank all the students who submitted their works of art and all of the volunteers who agreed to serve as judges. Our primary grades (k-2) winner is Jade Rojas and our intermediate grades (3-5) winner is Damian Reynoso. They will both advance to the district-level competition.



Keep the Earth Alive by Jade Rojas (K-2 winner)



Keep our Earth Clean by Damian Reynoso (3-5 winner)

## RECOGNIZING OUR STUDENTS

- The PTA purchased lawn/window signs for this year's BVE Star Students of the Month and they were distributed at the start of October for the August/September students. The stakes to hold up the signs are available at the front office upon request. Congrats to all!
- Every first Friday of the month is Spirit Day! Students who complete all their homework in the previous month get to pick a prize from the spirit day cart that visits their classroom.





# OUR PTA IS 150+ MEMBERS STRONG!

Thank you to all who have joined the PTA -- in the month of October we reached our goal of having 150 members! We had our first association meeting on October 7th and were excited to see many of our members there to learn about the PTA budget and the programs we have planned for the rest of the year. Our next association meeting will be in January, but there will be volunteer opportunities before then and, as always, you can reach out with questions or suggestions at any time!

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**Congrats to the weekly raffle winners from our membership drive who received BVE water bottles!**

**Families/Community**

Amy Chang  
Damian Lam  
Chau Luc  
Tran Ngo  
Sheila Rodriguez  
John Venegas



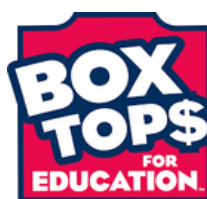
**Teachers**

Mrs. Chow Wong  
Mr. Garcia  
Mrs. Ibañez  
Mrs. Jimenez  
Ms. Lua  
Dr. Ng

## WAYS TO HELP US RAISE FUNDS

The money we raise pays for all of the programs that we sponsor -- it goes right back to the BVE community. This month we plan to host Chipotle and Yogurtland fundraisers, stay tuned for dates. We also have the following opportunities to support BVE while you shop. Every little bit helps!

- **Sees Candy:** Need holiday gifts? Support the yum-raiser (**11/15-12/3**) and BVE gets 20% of the sale
- **Amazon Smile:** Select Bella Vista Elementary Parent-Teach as your charity and we receive .5% whenever you shop (<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-6203911>). **Ongoing.**
- **BoxTops:** Download the BoxTops App, select our school, and scan your receipt when you purchase participating products (e.g., Lysol, Cheerios). **Ongoing.**
- **GotSneakers?:** Donate your unwanted sneakers to help the environment. Sneakers are recirculated or repurposed and BVE raises some funds! A collection bin is located the front gate. **Ongoing.**



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Thanks for participating!





