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Upcoming Dates

12/4: PTA Make & Take Craft Fair 1-3:30 PM
12/4: Holiday Vendor Fair 1-3:30 PM
12/9: School Spirit Day: Dress UP day- Dress to impress!
12/26-1/2: Winter Holiday Recess
1/13: School Spirit Day: Pajama Day!
1/18: PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
1/20: PTA Movie Night @ 6:30 PM
2/8: PTA Science Fair (K- 3rd grade)
2/9: PTA Science Fair (4th- 6th grade)
2/21-2/24: Mid-Winter Recess

DON'T FORGET! School Banking is held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month between 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sign up for CAPCOM school banking at anytime by going to the Boght Hills PTA link or go to the CAPCOM website at:
www.capcomfcu.org/school-banking.html

What are School Spirit Days?

School Spirit Days are how staff and students can show support and pride in our school. Spirit days are held one Friday each month of the school year. The PTA has scheduled a variety of different themes, which are all voluntary. Students and staff can show their support year round by wearing any Boght Hills apparel. The schedule of all Spirit Day themes can be found in the PTA Student Directory and will be announced at school as they approach.

Shop for the Holidays at Boght Hills!

The holidays are just around the corner and Boght Hills PTA wants to help make your holiday shopping a little bit easier! Join us on Sunday, December 4th from 1:00 PM-3:30 PM when we hold our 3rd annual *Holiday "Make & Take" Craft Fair*. Students may come in and create small gifts for friends and family members for a small fee.

We will also be holding our 2nd annual *Holiday Vendor Fair* where parents can shop for holiday gifts from a variety of vendors. This year we will also have a vendor table with Boght Hills Logo items including t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats and more. Free snacks and beverages will be served.

Boght Hills PTA Helps

On December 4th, the Boght Hills PTA will also be holding a "Coats for Kids" drive at the school. We are asking for donations of "outdoor" winter clothing in GOOD condition for children in need in our community. Please bring in any outdoor wear donations between 1PM-3PM. Items in need include: **winter coats, boots, snow pants, hats, mittens and gloves**. Contact Lisa Hogan if you can help during the coat drive.

Notes of Thanks from the PTA

The PTA would like to thank the following organizers who made these PTA programs possible:

Walk for FUNds: Chris Craig, Tracy Gamache, Lisa Hogan

Entertainment Books Fundraiser: Mrs. LaRow

Membership Drive: Kathy Whitsett

PTA Directory: Karen Buresh

School Picture Day: Tracy Gamache

Fall Book Fair: Kelleen Giambertone

Harvest Hoedown: Tracy Gamache, Chris Craig, Lisa Hogan

November Movie Night: Lisa Wood

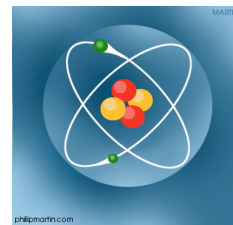
Everyday Ways to Help Boght Hills Earn Money

There are simple ways you and your family can help Boght Hills earn money each time you shop. Here are just a few:

- Coke Rewards Program: Send in the codes found on participating Coke Products and our school earns points for various classroom supplies, athletic equipment and more.
- Price Chopper Tools for School Program: If you have registered your Price Chopper Advant-Edge Card with Boght Hills you help us earn credit towards educational equipment. Register your card today with Boght Hills school code: 15737.
- Box Tops for Education: Look for the small Box Tops symbols on many General Mills products. Clip and send them in to school as often as you'd like. *Write your child's name and class on the back of each coupon and he/she will be eligible to win a movie gift card each month.*
- Labels for Education: Collect UPC codes from products from **Campbell's soups, Pepperidge Farm, Post Cereals, Pop Secret, BIC pens, GLAD food storage products, V8 Products, Emerald Nuts** and more.
- Colonie Center School Bucks Program: Bring your original receipts from any Colonie Center store or restaurant to Guest Services and Boght Hills earns 1 point for each \$1 you spend. You may submit your receipts up to 60 days from your date of purchase. The top ten schools will receive a monetary prize.

November PTA Movie Night

The first of two movie nights was a huge hit! This fall all students took part in a vote during Library class for the movie they would like see. "Spooky Buddies" was the clear winner. On November 10th, about 140 family members attended the showing of "Spooky Buddies". During the movie, 6th graders sold various snacks and refreshments. The proceeds will go toward 6th grade events this year. Another movie night vote will be held soon for the 2nd movie to be shown on January 20th. Thank you to Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Wood for helping make our November Movie Night a success!



Calling All Future Scientists...

This winter the Boght Hills PTA will be organizing a Science Fair open to all students from K-6th grade. The Science Fair is an opportunity for students to select a topic that they are interested in exploring. The Science Fair is non-competitive and participation is voluntary. Students will be given guidelines as well as a list of websites, which will help them choose a topic. Many of the websites will guide them through the process from beginning to end. All projects will be done at home and students will need to supply any materials needed for their projects. In February students will have the chance to exhibit their projects at one of two Science Fair nights. Look for specific details in the near future.

Looking Towards the Future...

In early spring we will start our search to replace 3 PTA board members. Each PTA board member serves a two-year term. This year will be the last for our *PTA treasurer, corresponding secretary and 1st Vice President*. A nominating committee will be seeking nominations to fill these positions. Please refer to the PTA board descriptions in your Boght Hills PTA Student Directory to find out what each position entails. If you are interested or have questions, please contact any one on the PTA board for more information. Each PTA board member nominee must be:

- ✓ A PTA member
- ✓ Willing to give PTA priority and commitment including attendance at meetings
- ✓ Understand the importance of effective teamwork
- ✓ Be willing to fulfill the objectives of their board position

Did you know that the PTA sets aside funds each year to support our community's families in need?

The PTA purchased \$375 in gift cards for families in need this Thanksgiving.

A Letter from the President

Dear Boght Hills Families-

The holidays are a busy time for many of us. It's a time to spend with family and friends and give thanks for all that we have. It's a time to let those important people in our lives know how much we love and appreciate them. I would like to take a moment to thank all the PTA chairs, staff and the numerous volunteers who have dedicated their time and talent to help bring quality PTA programs to our school this year. I'd also like to thank everyone who generously supported our Fall Fundraisers. The money raised from The Walk for FUNds and the Entertainment Book Fundraiser has been sufficient enough to support all the activities we have planned for this year. We hope to continue to provide all children at Boght Hills with fun and educational experiences that will have a positive impact on their lives.

I wish you and your loved ones a very happy holiday season and a healthy and fruitful new year!

Sincerely,

Lisa Hogan, PTA President

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