

Dear Brooke Grove Families,

I hope that you have had a great week. We held our Shelter-in-Place and Lockdown drills on Tuesday. Students did a great job following the directions and the plan. We are glad to see some sunshine after so many days of rain and indoor recess! Speaking of indoor recess, if you have games or puzzles at home that are not in use anymore, we will take them at BGES to have on hand for indoor recess days!

Thank you to our PTA Members and staff for attending our PTA meeting last night. Please see the link to the [PTA Meeting presentation](#) for more information. We have a lot of exciting events coming up and would love to see you there! We can also always use more help in planning and supporting these wonderful community activities! Please visit <https://brookegrovespta.memberhub.com/> to join in the fun!

On Friday, October 28th we will be having **"Fall Festival"** parties in the classroom. We will not be having a Halloween theme or costumes during school time to ensure equitable access and engagement for all students for all school activities. We will be celebrating the Autumn season and the end of the first marking-period, as well as building community and having fun! Room Parents plan and organize the classroom party, in conjunction with the teacher. Room Parents only will attend the celebration - 2:30-3:15 for all grades except First Grade (1:45-2:30)

On Saturday, October 29th, the PTA will be holding their second annual **Trunk or Treat!** Families can come and park your cars at BGES, decorate them, and provide candy for students to "trick-or-treat". We will start with a costume parade and a hot dog food truck will be there, so dress up and come on out for some fun!

BGES Around the World will be held on Thursday, November 10 from 7-8:30pm. Please see below for more information. We hope to have LOTS of participation for this event! All are welcome!

- Objective: To learn, appreciate and celebrate the rich diversity of our community
- Honors all students' backgrounds, experiences, cultures and contexts
- All students will be invited to participate:
 - Create a poster to highlight a place in the state, country, continent, or world that their family is from, or they have previously lived or visited. Posters will be hung in the main hallway from November 10 through mid-December.
 - Color/decorate a "paper" flag that represents their chosen location. Students will carry their "flag" at our BGES Around the World Parade that will occur during the school day and then again at the evening event.
 - Family participation: Families who would like to set up a cultural display at the event will receive a tri-fold display board to decorate. The board may show photos, maps, examples of the language (if applicable) Families may bring objects, costumes/attire, food/snacks/candy to share that reflects the location they are highlighting. If you would like to set up a family display, [please let us know here.](#)

I am excited to be a part of this vibrant, diverse community. Please see the attached newsletter for more information and updates. I hope you enjoy this beautiful weekend!

Warmly ,Jolynn Tarwater, Principal

Attachments:

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