

# BELMONT ELEMENTARY PTA NEWSLETTER



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Dear Belmont Families,

After a busy November, our PTA has just a few upcoming events. Join us Tuesday, December 1, for our monthly Zoom meeting. Come ask Mr. Pinkowitz questions and learn more about our new math program, Eureka. Then, we have more fun events and restaurant nights planned for early next year. If you have any other ideas, let us know!

Please continue to share appreciation with our wonderful teachers and staff with a note of THANKS :) GIVE THANKS in any way you want—video message, email, upload artwork, or any such electronic gift you choose. Stay healthy over the holidays!

Have you visited [www.belmontespta.org](http://www.belmontespta.org) lately? Katie Fullenkamp is doing an amazing job keeping things up-to-date. You can find the latest calendar, links for Spirit Wear, and Mr. Pinkowitz's Twitter feed. Check it out!

### SAVE THE DATE



Thankful for our Staff – until 11/25

**November 23-25: International/  
Multicultural Week**

**December 1, 7:00 pm. PTA meeting**

Join us for Q&A with Mr. Pinkowitz and an overview of our new math curriculum with Mrs. Broer

**January 5, 7:00 pm, PTA meeting**

## Join the PTA!



If you haven't yet, please sign up to join the PTA.

Membership offers fun, free student events, helps our school, and gives teachers supplies. Register: <http://atozconnect.com/cls/login.php>

**Spelling Bee is coming for 3-5 graders!** Thanks to Liz Scheideman for volunteering to lead! The event will most likely be virtual as we continue to follow recommended guidelines.

**Green Committee** invites parents and teachers to participate. Email [GreenCommitteeBelmont@gmail.com](mailto:GreenCommitteeBelmont@gmail.com) to join.

## International Week – is going on!

During the daily SEL period this week, students will engage in a cultural appreciation of our diverse community. Thank you to everyone who contributed slides: Asia/Pacific America, Belarus, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, India, Norway, Pakistan, Scotland, and South Korea. Wow! Mrs. Eisenbarth is also including international and multicultural songs in her Music lesson! Check out the International lullabies choice board she created for our families.

## Media Center Book Check Out

Did you know that Belmont offers contactless book checkout from the school media center on Wednesdays? Thank you to Mrs. Samuels and Ms. Mead. To reserve/pick up books, go here:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFgvxaAZIolvA47tJJ57q\\_nC333pem0Qg9l3dnMFUrBLthw/viiewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7757](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFgvxaAZIolvA47tJJ57q_nC333pem0Qg9l3dnMFUrBLthw/viiewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7757)

## December's Green Challenge Spotlight on Deforestation

Every day, deforestation occurs when forested area is cut and cleared away for agriculture or grazing. Over 14 thousand square miles are lost to deforestation each year! Once lost, species of plants and animals are lost forever. Challenge: Plant a tree for the holidays and create a holiday (Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, etc.) decoration using materials from nearby trees or woods (e.g., pinecones, pine needles, acorns, etc.). We will be sharing our decorations in class at the end of December. Thanks to Jennifer Rusiecki and Amrita Ghosh

## Spirit Wear and Belmont Bulldog Masks

### Get your Spirit Wear and Masks!

Spirit Wear is now available! It makes a great gift and is good for future spirit days! [www.belmontspiritwear.com](http://www.belmontspiritwear.com)

Look stylish while staying safe. Our green Belmont Bulldog face masks are washable and comfortable. Youth and adult sizes. \$10 or 3/\$25.



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