

William Brooks Newsletter August 2023



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to school Brooks Bears! I am excited to share that over summer our shade structure and new marquee were both installed. I want to give a big thank you to our entire Brooks community and our fabulous PTA for fundraising to make these things happen. I am sure the students will enjoy these as they return to school.

Each month I will be sending out the Brooks Monthly Newsletter. This is a monthly publication that will be emailed and posted on our website at the beginning of each month. The purpose of the publication is to ensure that you have the scoop on all the upcoming events and also to highlight the positive things happening at Brooks. In addition to the monthly newsletter there will also be weekly emails sent to keep our families in the loop. The weekly emails will contain information specific to the upcoming week.

Mark your Calendars

- 8/8: TK/Kinder meet and greet, 9:00-10:00
- 8/9: First Day of School
- 8/10: Back to School Night
 - TK-2nd grades 5:20-6:00
 - General Session 6:00-6:15
 - 3rd-5th grades 6:15-6:55
- 8/16: Family Picnic and Ice Cream Social 5-7
- 9/1: No School: District Inservice Day
- 9/4: No School: Labor Day
- 9/5: First PTA meeting, 9:15, Room 20

News from Brooks PTA

Welcome back Bears!

*PTA Meeting: The first PTA meeting of the 2023-24 school-year will be held on September 5th at 9:15am, in room 20. Please stop by, we would love to hear your thoughts about what's happening at Brooks.

* Shade Structure & Marquee : Both the shade structure and a new marquee were installed over summer break. The wait is over and we are so excited to see them both in place for our students and staff to enjoy!

*Garden: At pick up or drop off, stop by our beautiful garden that is flourishing with summer flowers and veggies! This space has gone through a massive transformation throughout the last year. We'd like to extend a BIG thank you to Christy Calderon for making this space thrive! A couple of parent mixers will be held in the garden this month. The first will be on August 11 th from 9-10am. The second will be held on August 23 rd from 5:30-6:30pm. There will be light appetizer and refreshments to enjoy.

*Ice Cream Social: An ice cream social will be held on August 16 th , from 5-7pm. The event will be held in the grassy area near the playground.

*Spirit Wear: Make sure to stock up on spirit wear! There will be a kiosk at the ice cream social where you are able to purchase your Brooks gear for the 23-24 school-year.

DON'T LOSE TRACK OF WHAT'S HAPPENING



William Brooks Birthday Book Club

During the week of your child's birthday, he/she will get to choose a book from Mrs. Spero's gift box! A personalized bookplate with your child's name and birthday will be placed inside the book and your child will be the first to check out the book from the library. Forms are available in the front office. The cost is \$20 to participate (100% of the funds from this option go to the library to grow the William Brooks library inventory).

Reporting Absences

If your child/children will be absent from school please contact the attendance line at (916)933-6618 ex. 4 to report the absence. If you know your child will be out for 3 or more days, for travel or another reason, please contact the front office at least a week in advance to request an Independent Study Contract. By completing the contract your child's absences will be excused.

Birthday Announcements

Would you like to have your child's birthday announced in lights? If so, we can wish your child a HAPPY BIRTHDAY on our marquee! Simply, pop into the office, fill out the form and pay \$20. All proceeds support our wonderful PTA!

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

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Brooks Bears Schoolwide

Expectations:

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

Be Safe

Schoolwide Expectations and PBIS

William Brooks utilizes the PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) framework to establish common language and expectations around campus. As a school, we focus on our schoolwide expectations:

Be Respectful

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Be Safe

During these first weeks of school teachers will be reviewing what these expectations look like around campus. They will be sharing videos, which can be found on the William Brooks website, and will be taking their classes around campus to practice these expectations.

Students will be reinforced throughout the year for their positive behavior with "Caught Ya" tickets. Each week a copy of these tickets will be collected and turned in for our Friday morning "Caught Ya" drawing. The names that are drawn will be announced during morning announcements and the students that were selected will get to come spin the prize wheel during recess. Be sure to ask your child what he/she earned a Caught Ya for when they start bringing them home.