



El Sol Highlights

Puesta del Sol PTA 2.3.95 ~ 3810 132nd Ave. S.E. Bellevue, WA 98006

Letter from the PTA Presidents

"It takes a village" and at Puesta del Sol that couldn't be more true. Being a choice school asks more from us as a community than a neighborhood school from volunteers to parents to teachers to staff. When we are all working together towards a common goal, we can accomplish great things.

Any amount you can help each year makes a big impact on our school and for that, we say "thank you". Please look for a flier in the mail in August outlining what is on the agenda for next year and how you can help make our PTA even more successful.

We are very proud of our PTA and members. We have such full-bodied programming and supplemental support compared to other schools across this state. We feel grateful for each penny and hour we receive to continue on this path. Please take a moment to read the Puesta del Sol PTA @ Work on the back that lists all the ways our PTA was involved in the experiences made available to your child(ren) this year.

As we end our chapter as Co-PTA Presidents, we want to say thank you to our amazing PTA Board of Directors over the past two years, all of our committee chairs, committee members and volunteers, our Principal Sr. Shearer, the administrative and support staff and our four Amities this year: Bea, Amalia, Jesus and Maka.

We know our new PTA Board of Directors are waiting to make next year the best one yet!

It has been our pleasure to serve as your Co-PTA Presidents. We feel grateful for the opportunity and experience.

Lisa Dembo and Julee Seibel, Co-PTA Presidents

2015-16 Important Dates

September 1

First Day of School
1st Day Coffee

September 11

Ice Cream Social

September 21-25

Scholastic Book Fair

September 25

Walk-a-thon

October 30

Day of the Dead Dance

March 12

International Festival

March 19

2016 Auction

2015-16 PTA Board

Co-Presidents

James Kwon & Sabrina Pinto

Payables Treasurer

Tamzin Anderson

Deposits Treasurer

Megan Reed

Secretary

Renee Haniu

Co-VP Membership/Communication

Lisa Blizzard & Annie Robinson

Co-VP of Fundraising

Mary Castillo & Leslie Novotny

VP of Special Events

Humaira Jackson

VP of Educational Enhancement

Mark Combs

VP of School Relations

Laura Dooley

2014-15 Puesta del Sol PTA @ Work

Thanks to the generosity of our families and community we were able to provide the following programs, events, and learning opportunities this year. Thank you to all the PTA Volunteers this past year. We could never accomplish all of this without YOU!

Educational Enhancement

Amity Interns • ISA Parent Education Nights • Science Fair • Readers Are Doers (R.A.D) • Reflections Artist's Gallery Night • Drama Club • Math Olympiad Competition • Passport • Academic Challenge • Garden Club • Spanish Immersion through the Arts (SITA) • Art Appreciation •

Communications & Membership

Directory • General Membership Meetings & Speakers • Kindergarten Orientation Night • Incoming Kindergarten Family Potluck • Volunteer Appreciation • El Sol Weekly Newsletter • Facebook • Community Email Notices • PTA Membership • PTA Website •

Special Events

First Day Parent Coffee • Ice Cream Social • Pumpkin Family Fun Night • International Festival • Totally 80's Family Dance • 5th Grade Events • Field Day • Mariner's Night • Skate King •

Fundraising

Scholastic Book Fair • Online Classroom Art Auction • BoxTops • Dining for Dinero • Spirit Wear • PTA Family Cookbook • Walkathon •

School & Volunteer Support

Student Bus & Transportation Assistance • BSF Grant Writing • Hearing Testing Coordination • Picture Day Coordination • Room Parent Coordination • Vision Testing Coordination • Staff Appreciation Week • Yearbook • Classroom Stipends • WatchDOGS • Principal/PTA Coffee •

Afterschool Programs

Summer Camps • Bomba del Sol • Latin Dance Class • Math Enrichment • Math Olympiad • Coding Club • Tambores del Sol •

2015-2016 Field Trips & Educational Enrichment

The following opportunities were chosen by each grade-level team, approved by Principal Shearer, and funded by Puesta del Sol PTA.

Kindergarten

Botanical Garden Visit
Toymaker Interactive Workshop
Alki Beach Field Lab Program

First Grade

Little Red Riding Hood Play at Thistle Theater
Flat Stanley Play at Village Theater

Second Grade

Boehm's Candies Tour
In Class: Insect Safari Workshop
In Class: Police Officer Visit
In Class: Toymaker Balance & Motion

Third Grade

In Class: Zoo Owl Presentation
In Class: Museum of Flight "Yes It Is a Rocket"
Mercer Slough Nature Tour

Fourth Grade

Hibulb Cultural Center
In Class: Native American Storyteller
In Class: Toymaker interactive workshop
MOHAI Visit
PMR's Marine Science Afloat Program
Wetland Field Experience at Kelsey Creek

Fifth Grade

In Class: Toymaker Variables Interactive
Seattle Symphony
Visit to the Olympia Legislature

Thank you to all PTA Grade Liaisons for organizing each educational opportunity.
