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## Run to the Finish Line! Collect Pledges by Oct 22 to Earn Prizes

WOW! 500 Students walked a total of 13,852 laps! Srta Nicole's class led with 936 laps!  
**Collect pledges:** Send them in by Oct 22 to collect your prizes. We're aiming for \$50,000 this year so students are encouraged to raise \$150 each, or \$300/family. (That's less than \$1/school day.) Send checks (payable to Puesta del Sol PTA with student's name in Memo line) in an envelope marked PTA through your child's classroom teacher, along with gift preferences (if eligible).  
**Many thanks to the committee:** Michelle Mahlman, Jessi Bixby, Sandi Tampa, Alicia Filippini, Jenn Gutierrez, Stacy Weigel, Mary Fredericksen, Yella Appleby, Kandi Dodrill, Rebecca Hamilton, Lisa Dembo, Lori Bawden, Hillary McDonald, Molly Schladetzky, Crystal Coldiron, Laura Dooley and Jane McKinstry. Thanks again to the more than 100 fabulous volunteers, all the bakers, and for all the fabulous raffle donations - together we raised nearly \$5,000 at the event! Thank you also to our fabulous MC-Bob Tampa!  
**Suggestions for next year?** Contact Co-Chairs Michelle Mahlman ([m.mahlman@frontier.com](mailto:m.mahlman@frontier.com)) & Jessi Bixby ([jessibixby@comcast.net](mailto:jessibixby@comcast.net)) We are also looking for fun volunteers to shadow us next year and continue the amazing event in 2014.

September 28, 2012

### Upcoming Events

- 10/1 RAD Begins
- 10/1 PTA Directory Forms Due
- 10/2 Art Appreciation Orientation
- 10/3 Order SpiritWear
- 10/4 Room Parent Meeting
- 10/9 Skate King Night
- 10/15 4/5 Grade Book Club Meeting
- 10/16 PTA General Meeting
- 10/19 Photo Retake Day
- 10/22 Walkathon Pledges Due
- 10/24 Principal/PTA Coffee
- 10/25 Passport Check Day

### Afro-Caribbean Bomba Group is Back-Hurry, Classes Start in Oct!

You saw us at the International Festival! Puesta del Sol's only Spanish-Immersion after-school activities are back! Bomba del Sol, our Afro-Caribbean Bomba group is back this year! Maestro Ricardo Guity and Dra. Sharon Cronin are leading girls and boys (k-5th grade) in singing, dancing and drumming on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30 pm in the gym.  
 This year, we are adding Tambores del Sol, an Afro-Caribbean Drumming club with Maestro Guity. Boys and Girls, 3rd-5th grades are invited to join on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 pm in the gym.  
 Classes are \$15 each or \$60/month. Spaces are limited, so contact Luly Feliciano right away at [mariafel@comcast.net](mailto:mariafel@comcast.net). Classes will start in October and continue through the end of April.

### Art Appreciation Orientation

Tuesday, Oct 2 at 9:15 am

Interested in being an Art Appreciation parent but not sure what to do and how to start? Come to the Art Appreciation orientation! Questions? Please contact Huei Huang [huei@nveden.com](mailto:huei@nveden.com) or Emmy Park [emmerlee@me.com](mailto:emmerlee@me.com).

### Room Parent Meeting Thursday, Oct 4 9:10-10:10 am

Newbie or veteran, please join us for coffee and see what's expected of you this year. New info will be given. All room parents encouraged to attend. Please reply to Lisa Dembo, Room Parent Coordinator at [ljdem@comcast.net](mailto:ljdem@comcast.net) with a Yes or No.



### Skate King Night Tuesday, October 9 6:00-8:00 pm

\$5 per person (\$4 additional for in-line skates)  
 Wear school colors or SpiritWear to get a raffle ticket  
 Cash or check only, ATM on-site  
 No outside food or drink allowed  
 \*Volunteer for a 45 minute ticket selling shift (6-6:45 pm) or (6:45-7:30 pm) and get in free (Adults only).  
 Email Laura at [dooley101@msn.com](mailto:dooley101@msn.com) to volunteer.  
 Non skaters welcome at no charge. This is NOT a drop-off event.

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### BSD PAAC Meeting: Thursday, Oct 10 from 6:00-8:00 pm Highland Middle School 15027 NE BelRed Rd, Bellevue 98007

Are you reaching out to your multicultural communities? Let's make PTA welcoming to all again. Bellevue School District PAAC's (Parents of Color/ESL action advisory committee) first meeting of the year is set for Thursday, October 10. Please join in, all are welcome! Guest will be new BSD Director of Equity Jose-deJesus Melendez.

Submit articles by Monday at 9 pm to [newsletter@puestadelsolpta.org](mailto:newsletter@puestadelsolpta.org)

## Your PTA @Work: September 2012

First Day of School/Coffee  
Volunteers: Bus, Lunch, Hearing Screening and Picture Day  
Ice Cream Social  
PTA Board Meeting  
Membership Forms Processing  
Book Fair  
Walk-a-thon  
Passport Check  
Principal/PTA Coffee  
Amity and Host Family Picnic

Please remember to return your PTA directory form to the office!

## eScrip: Support the School at Bartells

Do you shop at Bartell Drugs? If so, sign up for the eScrip 'B' Caring Card at any Bartell Drugs and designate Puesta del Sol (Group# 8567184) as your school of choice. Every time you shop, present your card and up to 4% of your purchases will be donated to the school. Sign up at [www.eScrip.com/BCaringCard](http://www.eScrip.com/BCaringCard).

## Order SpiritWear by Oct 3!

Are you looking for a great way to show your school spirit? Then check out the Puesta del Sol SpiritWear. Fall orders are due by Wed., Oct 3rd. Items ordered will be delivered to your child's classroom during the week of Oct 8th. Order forms online at [www.puestadelsolpta.org](http://www.puestadelsolpta.org).

## 4th & 5th Grade Book Club

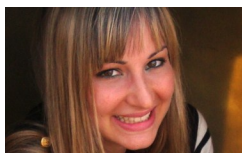
Monday, Oct 15 from 7-8 pm in the Library



Puesta del Sol will begin its 10th year of the Adult/Student Book Club. This is open to any 4th or 5th grader with any accompanying adult. Come to the first meeting to get the first book, sign up for snacks and vote on future books and meeting times. For questions, contact Mrs. Brody at [brodys@bsd405.org](mailto:brodys@bsd405.org) or sign-up in the library.

## Lunch and Recess Monitors Needed

Contact Stacy at [hauserveigel@comcast.net](mailto:hauserveigel@comcast.net) or sign up at [tinyurl.com/pdslunch12](http://tinyurl.com/pdslunch12).



## Welcome Amity Intern Alba

Hello! My name is Alba. I am 24 years old and I am from Spain's capital-Madrid. I have one brother, who is younger than me.

First of all, I would like to say that it is an honor for me to be spending one academic year at Puesta Del Sol as a Spanish Language Assistant.

I would like to talk a little a bit about me so you have the chance to know me better. I am a very positive, patient, responsible, talkative, understanding, dynamic and funny person. I love traveling, going outdoors, staying with my family and friends, meeting new people, reading books, listening to music, swimming, watching movies and going shopping.

I graduated from the university in Madrid with a teaching degree for being a teacher in Nursery. And I finished this year another teaching degree to be a primary and English teacher.

I worked for a year and a half in a school with little children just one hour per day, while I was studying in order to get more experience. I quit my job last January and decided to improve my English by becoming an Au Pair to a lovely English family in Bristol, England.

My goals for this year are to do always my best at school, to share my Spanish culture with you at the same time I am learning from your culture as well as being helpful in the Spanish classes.

I know it is going to be an incredible experience for all of us and I want to let you know that I am here anytime you need me for anything and I would be so glad to help you as much as I can. I am interested in tutoring, so please feel free to contact me at [albuchi80@hotmail.com](mailto:albuchi80@hotmail.com)



**Yearbook Chair Needed!** Please contact Lori Smith at [lsmithctr@hotmail.com](mailto:lsmithctr@hotmail.com).

## Puesta del Sol Running Club

Join the Puesta del Sol Running Club Tuesdays & Thursdays at Lunch Recess. Apply those miles plus Walk-a-thon miles toward the Seattle Kids Marathon! Kids CAN run 26 miles! How? The Seattle Marathon allows kids to run 25 miles BEFORE the marathon, then run the last 1.2 miles in Seattle Center on November 24. For more info or to register online, go to:

<http://www.seattlemarathon.org/kids/register.php>

Our Group: **Puesta del Sol**, Group Keyword: **Nestor**

Parent VOLUNTEERS needed to supervise and track laps during recess. Please contact Katherine Snead at [sneadfamiyfour@gmail.com](mailto:sneadfamiyfour@gmail.com).

## Get Your Weekly El Sol Newsletter Online



Want El Sol news online? Go to [puestadelsolpta.org/distribution.htm](http://puestadelsolpta.org/distribution.htm).

If you'd like to stop paper copies, please email your child's name/grade to [eco@puestadelsolpta.org](mailto:eco@puestadelsolpta.org).

## Tillicum Costa Rica Trip Fundraiser

Saturday, Oct 6

7-10 pm at Newport Shores Yacht Club

Don't miss this adults-only social event for the BSD Spanish Immersion community! 3 hours of fun and friends for only \$40! Proceeds benefit the 2013, 8th Grade Spanish Immersion Costa Rica Trip & Scholarship.

The evening in the Costa Rican rainforest will offer live music, dancing, entertainment, desserts, beverages, and silent auction. Remember - there won't be a Puesta del Sol auction this year, so gather your friends (and your checkbook) and come to the party! Auction items include:

Babysitting, Movie tickets, Gift Certificates, El Gaucho dinner, 50/50 Cash Raffle, Art and More!

For questions, contact [Christy@Lhanson.com](mailto:Christy@Lhanson.com). To purchase tickets, send check made payable to Ellen McCartan at 16234 SE 24th St. Bellevue, WA (ATTN: Costa Rica Night).