

Thursday OCTOBER 6th, 2022

COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPALS + PTSO MEETING

Mission: Creating a unified and caring community to support BFS students, teachers and families. PTSO achieves this goal through organizing and coordinating events, fundraisers, and supporting extracurricular activities.

Introduction

- ❖ Ice Breaker: favorite treat
- ❖ Name, kid/s name & grade, how long in BFS

Coffee with the Principals

- School updates
 - High school update with mr. saunders
 - Great job STUCO during the fun day
 - Parent teacher conference today and tomorrow. This quarter went by really fast, thank you for supporting the kids plan and adjust.
 - Elementary just completed MAP testing, you will get a copy of the child's report. MAP test happens twice a year.
 - Thank you for Ms. Sapsay for donating baked goods for the Anchored for Life bake sale
- Use of digital media and technology presentation
 - Average age for smartphones is 12 or 13 but the number of elementary kids has increased.
 - Using smart phones responsibly.
 - reviewing the school policies on smart phone usage
- Elementary students may not use smartphones within the school building
 - Middle school should not use while in classes
- Clear boundaries and digital citizenship
 - Review parental control settings
 - Review text and sns
 - Take devices away at night for charging
 - Social media platforms are not intended for children. They are platforms for adults.
- Screen time and behaviors

- www.fix.com – blog kids and screen time -
<https://www.fix.com/blog/kids-and-screen-time/>
 - Apps are designed for engagement
 - Nir Eyal author – hooked (book title)
 - MS/HS use of technology
 - Lauren Haugen – former Facebook (Meta) executive “whistleblower”
 - Pro – keeping in touch with friends and families near and far
 - Listen, empathize, protect
 - Spending time
 - Asking question “how are you feeling”
 - Understand the social pressure
 - Goal is to partner with parents
- October is NATIONAL PRINCIPAL MONTH!
 - Ms. Harvey, Ms. Austin-Castillo, and Mr. Brenneman have published an article in the EARCOS Triannual Journal (p. 28) highlighting the ongoing efforts of BFS teachers to ensure that students feel welcome and engaged in classrooms. We always seek to Embrace Diversity and Strive for Excellence at BFS!

PTSO Monthly Meeting

- **Thank you for the Parent-Teacher Representatives for volunteering!**
 - Mr. Justin Cassel (Faculty Rep)
 - Ms. Abigail Gross (Secretary)
 - Ms. Minji Jung
 - Mr. Daniel Kim
 - Ms. Ekaterina Sapsay
 - Ms. Poonam Shailendra
 - Ms. Ekaterina (Kate) Vorobyeva

- **PTSO Finance update**
 - 3,053,367 KRW (September)
 - Current:
 - Fund Source - uniform locker
 - Requests:

- MS STUCO - Funday - APPROVED - *OLD BUSINESS*
- For Girls Club - October fundraising
 - club aims to raise various funds to help local girls living in period poverty, 50% of the raised funds will be donated to Good Neighbors Period Poverty Charity and to purchase menstrual products to place in BFS toilets areas. Remaining funds will be go towards purchases for the next fundraiser
 - 300k-500k starting sum for their fundraiser
- a starting sum of funds is necessary as it is for any other fund-raising activities
- Need clarification as to what the funds is going to be used for
- Maybe have a centralized location to grab menstrual products at BFS rather than having multiple stations that can be abused

● **Sign up Genius / Google Forms - 5 mins - Abigail Gross**

- Can help cut down meeting times and allow parent-teacher representatives to be on the same page
- agenda will be presented to the school representatives prior to the monthly meeting for everyone to read, whatever is voted to be not part of the agenda will be moved to the bottom of the list. comment section for all comments. All responses are anonymous, including comments, questions or concerns.
- Sign up genius for committee chairs will be shared with meeting attendees
- Place to share your voice, add or remove items from the agenda, make comments ○ Thank you for signing up!

● **Volunteer Burn out - 5 mins - Abigail Gross**

- Split work, 1-2 hours commitment from the general PTSO, might be a bit more for the others ○ Volunteer Call guidelines
 - Bridge the communication between PTSO, school and parents
 - (sign up genius)
 - Send out emails to all parents about PTSO volunteer opportunities and if monetary donation is possible, pass the information
- PTSO bank account information for parents who wants to donate
 - Bank name: ever rich bank (post bank)

- Account name: BFSDO
- Account number: 601567-01-002451

- Current Coordinators and Committee Chairs
 - Hospitality - Ms. Poonam / vacant
 - Spirit Committee - Ms. Poonam / vacant
 - Concession Stand - Ms. Poonam / Vacant
 - NHS Induction - Vacant / Vacant
 - Uniform Store - Mr. David / Vacant
 - Baking - Mr. David / Vacant

- **Parent Teacher Conference**

- Uniform Locker support during the Parent Teacher Conference Time Frame
 - uniform locker will be set up. break down friday, around 1500
- How can PTSO support?
 - no PTSO support necessary

- **Founder's Day**

- - **How about donating Ice Cream Cones to all students & Faculty?**
- Friday 14 October 2022
- Parent Volunteers?

- **NHS Induction**

- Friday 21 October 2022, 1545
- Committee chair - vacant ****NEED VOLUNTEERS****
- Buy gifts for the inductee (need volunteer/s) and present gift

- **Halloween: Trick or Treat**

- 31 October 2022
- Committee Chair: Ms. Poonam Shailendra
- Candy Donation Drive (sign up genius set up) and Volunteer call (sign up genius set up)

- [*Trick or Treat station](#)

- **Facebook group**

- Abigail has admin rights from Ms. Allepuz
- way to share info similar to an echo
- ability to create and share events
- searchable for future PTSO
- can replace PTSO newsletter, real time updates and interaction
- Guidelines suggestions:
 - Ask questions and share information. Keep discussion within the scope of the purpose of this group
 - Do not post confidential information
 - Inflammatory statements are discouraged and will be deleted
 - The PTSO group admin and moderators reserve the right to delete comments and block users who are not following the rules stated above

- **Uniform Locker**

- Committee chair: Mr. David Kim
- should it be manned:
 - When the uniform supplier is in the school
 - pick a day, once a week for volunteers?
 - set up sign up genius for volunteer opportunity
 - starting till was 10,000KRW, opened and counted by Abigail Gross and Sangmi Ha

Foundation Day:

Ice Cream costs: buying icecream for 248 students + 63 faculty members (311 total). Propose Budget:

Volunteer Sign up: sign up genius set up, ice cream serving time 1100-1300

NHS Induction Day:

Chair: <need volunteer>

How many inductees: 9 NHS inductees

Gifts: TBD

Prices: TBD

Trick or Treat

Chair: Ms. Poonam:

Volunteer Sign up: Sign Up Genius

Next Meeting

Friday, 04 November 2022

1130

Sample

ITEM	GENDER	SIZE #	NOTES

Date

Name: