

Parent Link 11-4:

Good Evening Bell-Graham Families

Our wonderful PTO sponsored a great assembly today. Two separate presentations highlighting respect and positive peer interactions allowed for targeted skill and strategy review for our K-2 and 3-5 classrooms. The message supported the efforts of our classroom teachers and Ms. Bush our School Social Worker. At this time of the school year, we are focused on being "Upstanders" which are friends who speaks up and do not tolerate mean words or actions. Students participating in the scenarios accurately voiced appropriate problem-solving and supportive behaviors. I urge you to speak with your child about today's assembly. Ask them how they work to be an Upstander at BG and encourage them to speak up and "right the wrongs" they observe. Being a good friend, respectfully disagreeing and actively problem solving are major components of our elementary school day. Practice makes perfect!

Have a great weekend,
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Important Dates:

11-7/11-18: CoGat testing 3 and 5 grade/Hearing Screening 2nd grade
11-10: 4-10 pm PTO night at Colonial on Randall
11-11: 9:00-10:00 Fifth grade Veteran's Day Assembly/End of first Trimester
11-16: Last day to schedule parent teacher conferences
11-17: PTO evening meeting 7:00 pm
11-21&22: Parent teacher conferences: No student attendance
11-23-25: Thanksgiving Holiday (BG Office closed 11-24&25)
11-23: HAC opens for review of Tri 1 report cards

CoGat Info: Third and Fifth grade students will be taking the CoGat assessment November 7-18. Please refer to information from your child's classroom teacher regarding specific administration dates. Students only need a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast to prepare for these assessments.

Math Assessments: Throughout the past two years, small groups of teachers at each grade level across the district have worked to develop common math summative assessments. These common district-wide assessments are administered at the end of a unit of math instruction. It is essential that summative (end of unit) assessments are secure and as a result, you will not receive a copy of the actual assessment your child has taken in math. End of unit summative assessment information will be sent home highlighting the standard student's demonstrated proficiency or a need for further support. The staff and I want to ensure we are communicating information to best support your understanding of your child's achievement in math. If you have question related to the assessments administered at the end of a math unit, please contact me directly.

Middle School: To review information shared at community meetings on MS facilities, click [here](#).