

# Blue Hills Elementary PTA Newsletter

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## Thank You, Blue Hills Staff and Volunteers!

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The Walk/Bike To School Committee Chair would like to thank all Blue Hills families, teachers and staff for making the walk/bike to school day a successful event.

Thank you to the following parents and staff:

Naina Balapuri, Heena Shah, Vibha Sharma, Haiying Wu - for handing out raffle tickets on the day of the event

Juiwen(Vivian) Hu, Haiying Wu - for collecting classroom raffle tickets

Mimi Wong - for putting up the walk/bike to school posters designed by our students around the campus

Jamie Chan, Christy Tum - for preparing the wonderful raffle prizes

Juiwen(Vivian) Hu - for sorting out prizes for raffle winners

Jennifer Sahara, Vibha Sharma, Toshi Tazawa, Mimi Wong - photographers

Jianming Wang, Vitaya Lakshmi - for post event clean up and tear down

Mrs. Prouse - for providing all the support and for drawing and announcing the raffle winners

Mrs. Pearce, Mrs Rodriguez - for your support and for distributing pedometers to all staffs

All Blue Hills Teachers - for distributing pedometers to your class and for making sure that the students turned in the raffle tickets

## Blue Hills Kids Need You!

Blue Hills is a great school, thanks in part to the fantastic community of caring parents like you! The PTA funds many of the enrichment programs that our kids enjoy. Check out [bluehillspta.org](http://bluehillspta.org) to find out more, and then join the PTA to get involved in helping to keep Blue Hills great!

### Communication

Questions?

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Website:

[bluehillspta.org](http://bluehillspta.org)

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<http://tinyurl.com/bhfacebookpage>

PTA Forms:

<http://tinyurl.com/bhptaforms>

Traffic Sign Up:

<http://tinyurl.com/jxqu35o>

PTA Calendar:

<http://tinyurl.com/ybw63ow3>

### Upcoming Events

- ◆ Running Club - 10/27
- ◆ Halloween Parade and Class Parties - 10/31
- ◆ Trunk or Treat - 10/31
- ◆ Fifth-Grade Hosted Staff Lunch - 11/3
- ◆ Veterans Day (No School) - 11/10
- ◆ Thanksgiving Recess (No School) - 11/20-24
- ◆ Fourth-Grade Hosted Staff Lunch - 12/1

For more, visit the PTA calendar at <http://tinyurl.com/z4nfa32>



**JOIN US**  
**ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31**  
**1:35 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.**  
**BLUE HILLS PARKING LOT**

# Trunk or Treat Map





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**PROJECT  
CORNERSTONE**  
A YMCA of Silicon Valley Initiative

## Cornerstone Corner

This month's ABC book: "**Giraffes Can't Dance**" by Giles Andreae tells the story of Gerald the giraffe who is able to **dance to his own tune** when he gets some encouraging words from an unlikely friend.

Goals of lesson:

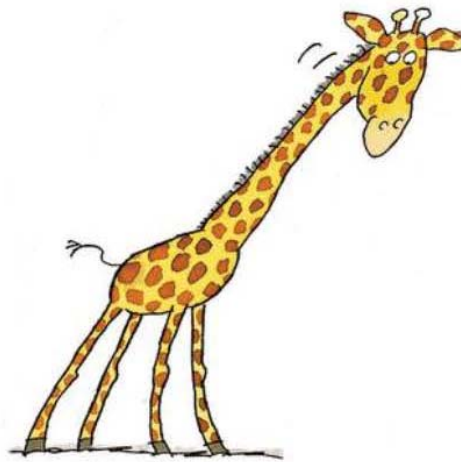
- Students learn about personal power and **practice using their positive personal power to benefit both themselves and others.**
- Students learn that making other people feel good is a great way to **fill their own buckets**, too!

**To reinforce this lesson at home:**

- Create opportunities to encourage your child to **try new things.**
- Offer praise for their willingness to try and practice.
- Whenever they're in a negative situation, help your child "switch the channel" to reframe their inner dialogue to create an **"I can do it!" attitude.**
- Remind your child: **Don't focus on the black dot.** Focus on the white page.
- Involve children of all ages in **family decision making.**

**\*Quick Tip:** Teach your child practical skills such as how to change a tire, cook a couple of meals, or sew on a button. Well-prepared young people are more likely to feel a sense of personal power.

***When you "catch" kids modeling positive behaviors...  
Notice, Name it, and Celebrate it!***





In an effort to raise additional funds for our school, BLUE HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL is participating in the BOX TOPS for EDUCATION program. This program is an easy way for parents & students to earn cash that goes directly to our school.



## AN EASY WAY TO EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL!

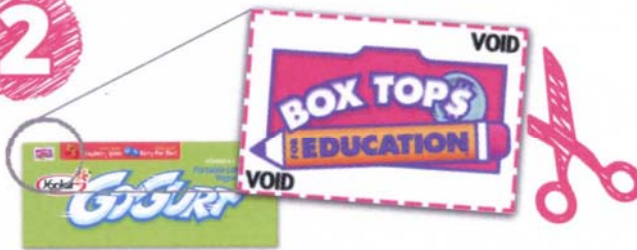
Look for the pink Box Top on hundreds of participating products. Each is worth 10¢ for your school!

1



**BUY** your favorite Box Tops products.

2



**CUT** out the Box Top from each package.

3



**SEND** your Box Tops to school with your child.

**Have your child turn in the box tops to his/her teacher or to the front office.**

4



**YOUR SCHOOL GETS CASH** for every Box Top collected to help buy the things it needs most. All those Box Tops really add up!

Go online to [www.btf.com/products](http://www.btf.com/products) for a complete list of participating box tops products.