

February 12, 2021

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**BURK BOBCAT
NEWSLETTER**

Burk Families,

I'm sure you're aware that GPS is proposing school campus changes for the upcoming school year, 2021/22. I am sharing the Postcard information that provides important meeting dates that you are invited to attend.

In addition, if you have any questions or would like to connect with me about, these changes please contact me through the Office. I'm here to assist with anything you might need.

As always, Burk Elementary will continue to be " Where AMAZING Happens!" We look forward to the potential of welcoming new families to our school community.

Stay Well,
Mr. Paes



Our Step It Up! Fundraiser begins on Tuesday, February 16 and will go through Friday, March 5. Be on the lookout for email and social media messages, showcasing how the fundraiser works and all of the amazing prizes students can earn by just sharing our information. If you have any questions, please call our office. Thank you for your support!

[StepItUpKids! Burk](#)



Spirit Day for Friday, February 19, is TIME TRAVEL! You can choose a decade from the past or dress futuristic!



**Spring picture day
February 22**

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**PROPOSED SCHOOL
CAMPUS CHANGES FOR
2021/22 SCHOOL YEAR
COMMUNITY MEETINGS**

Three community meetings will be held to share proposed changes and gain input from the community.

The proposed closure of Houston, movement of Neely Traditional to Houston, and change in Burk boundaries are due to: educational accessibility, space utilization, and fiscal efficiencies.

More Info: www.gilbertschools.net

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Monday, February 22, 2021, 6 pm

@ Houston Elementary

Opportunity for Public Comment

Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 6 pm

@ Burk Elementary

Opportunity for Public Comment

Thursday, February 25, 2021, 6 pm

@ Neely Traditional Academy

Opportunity for Public Comment

Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 6 pm -

Governing Board Work Study/Brief Board Meeting @ District Office

Tuesday, March 30, 2021, 6 pm -

Governing Board Meeting @ District Office

Vote by Board on Proposed Changes

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon Feb 15 - President's Day - No School

Tues Feb 16- Step It Up Fundraiser Begins!

Wed Feb 17- College Colors

Early Release @ 1:55 p.m.

PTSO Mtg @ 6:00 p.m.

Thurs Feb 18- McDonald's Night 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Fri Feb 19 - Time Travel Day

Cool Cats of the Week

Elliot Lewis

Talia Shaad-Navalua

Aubrie Fletchall

Jalexia Villarreal

Mia Palacios Garcia

Leshia Goss

Adrian Potter

Alyssa Ramirez



SHOUT OUTS!

Rhett Bingham

Chloe Dörner

Damond Fowler

Gabe Garcia

Jonah Guzman

Gionni Lopez

Joseph Martin

Isaiah Rivera

Isla Salazar

Sophia Schafer

Jabin Sullivan

READING LAB



K- Loki Gregory

1- Gabe Garcia

2- Octavia Forrest

3- Heidi Uriarte

4- Carter Lopez

5- Lasienaga Gomez

6- Isaiah Rivera

Thank you for doing your personal best! We are proud of you!



CAUGHT WITH CHARACTER

Michelle Camargo

Miranda Camargo

Jaida Fredia

Mila Padilla Pry

Peter Serrine



Happy Birthday!



2/16 - Michelle Camargo

Miranda Camargo

2/18 - Branlin Asay

2/19 - Loki Gregory

School Meals

Please click on the links below for menu information:

[Burk Breakfast/Lunch Menus](#)

PRESCHOOL SUPPLEMENT

Please click on the link below to learn more about qualifying for up to 50% off of tuition for our Amanecer Preschool Program:
[Amanecer Discount Information](#)

We have preschool spots available! Please click on the link below for more information on our Amanecer Preschool:

[Amanecer Preschool General Information](#)

GILBERT YOUTH ATHLETIC FLAG FOOTBALL STARTING

GYA has pushed back the flag football until (1st-6th graders) until the week of March 22. Games will be on Wednesday/Friday evenings at Mesquite High School.

Sibling, employee discounts and scholarships are available. Please click on the link for more information:

[Flag Football Flyer](#)



Please continue to ensure that your student brings a water bottle each day to school. Thank you!

SOCIAL WORKER CORNER



-**Lunar New Year**, also called Spring Festival or Chinese New Year, is a festival typically celebrated in China and other Asian countries. The holiday lands on a different day each **year** according to when the first **new** moon appears in the **lunar** calendar. This **year**, the **Lunar New Year** celebrations begin on February 12th. People will eat lots of food, enjoy fireworks, wear special clothes and hang red lanterns to mark the occasion. Instead of saying "Happy Lunar New Year", say "Wishing you happiness and prosperity this year!"

-Burk is celebrating Black History Month the month of February and will be highlighting 20 influential African Americans such as Misty Copeland, Michael Jordan, and Harriet Tubman. Each class will be decorating a poster to display all month long.

Here are a few links to help celebrate Black History Month at home:

[Frederick Douglas](#)

[Harriet Tubman](#)

[Celebrating Black History w/Kids](#)

Please click here for the Social Worker Google Site for messages from Ms. Palmerin, family resources and more:
[Burk Social Worker Site](#)

Click here for more information regarding some amazing resources: Food Pantry, GPS Family Resource Center, East Valley Career Center and more:

[Title 1 Family Engagement Playlist](#)



