



**BONITA CANYON PTA**  
**2008-2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**



**September**

- 3 **4:00 Classes Posted/BC Buddies Ice Cream Social** Have your child become a “Buddy” to a new Bonita Canyon student. Children are paired up by grade level.
- 4 **First Day of School/Welcome Back Coffee**  
The Welcome Back event will provide parents with the opportunity to interact with other parents and receive information about school and PTA activities.
- 4-30 **Annual Pledge Drive**  
Consider giving a little more than “a Dollar a Day” to support PTA programs.
- 5-19 **Gift Wrap Sales**  
4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade only. All profits go toward the 6<sup>th</sup> grade CIMI (Catalina Island Marine Institute) program.
- 18 **Back to School Night (1:00 Dismissal)**  
Parent ONLY event where you will meet your child’s teacher and be provide with classroom and grade level information. You can sign up for classroom volunteer positions such as Room Parent, Art Masters, etc.
- 19 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**
- 26 **PTA Volunteers/Office Procedures & Room Parent Training** Room Parents and Volunteers are given a reference handbook to assist them throughout the year. Upcoming events and dates are also discussed.

**October**

- 2 **Picture Day**
- 2 **Fall Social – a 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary event**  
Come join other Bonita Canyon families for this fun event. The evening will include dinner, cake walk, a craft and more.
- 10 **PTA General Association Meeting 8:30AM**  
Speakers come to Bonita Canyon to talk about relevant issues.
- 13 **No School**
- 15 **Walk to School Day**  
An IPSF (Irvine Public School Foundation) district-wide event. Please consider walking your child to school on this day.
- 17 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**

**October - cont’d**

- 20-24 **Red Ribbon Week**  
This week long drug awareness program includes activities like “Pennies for Prevention” and an assembly with the D.A.R.E. officer from the Irvine Police Department.
- 27-31 **Fall Book Fair**  
Come to the Multi-Purpose Room to purchase scholastic books. A percentage of all sales stay to enrich the library and other educational programs.
- 29 **No School**
- 31 **Reflections Entries Due**  
“WOW” is this year’s theme. Categories of art include photography, drawing, dance, video, etc.

**November**

- 6 **Art Masters #1 (Sheeler)**  
Students learn about famous artists and create their own masterpieces.
- 10 **No School**
- 11 **No School**
- 14 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**
- 27-28 **Thanksgiving Holiday**
- TBD **Guy Stuff**  
Health education for 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys

**December**

- 11 **Art Masters #2 (Miro)**
- 12 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**
- 20 **First Day of Winter Recess**

**January**

- 5 **Classes Resume**
- 12 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**
- 14 **SHAPE (1/21,1/28,2/5,2/11)**
- 19 **No School**
- 29 **PTA General Association Meeting 7:00PM**

**February**

- 9 **No School**
- 16 **No School**
- 19 **Art Masters #3 (Degas)**
- 20 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**

**March**

- 2-6 **Read Across America Week**
- 13 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**

- 20 **Spring Fundraiser**  
The Spring Fundraiser is one of our two largest fundraisers for the school year. Come join other Bonita Canyon parents for a fun evening while we raise funds for many important programs.

**April**

- 3 **PTA General Association Meeting**
- 13-17 **Spring Recess**
- 23 **Art Masters #4 (Seurat)**

**May**

- 4-8 **Teacher Appreciation Week**  
Students and parents show their appreciation for teachers and staff. The PTA sponsors a special luncheon.
- 15 **PTA Executive Board Meeting**
- 18-21 **Spring Book Fair**
- 21 **Open House (1:00 Dismissal)**
- 22 **No School**
- 25 **No School**

**June**

- TBD **DARE Graduation**  
6<sup>th</sup> grade students graduate from the drug awareness program
- 5 **PTA General Association Meeting In/Out**
- 15 **Primary Field Day**
- 16 **Upper Grade Field Day**
- 17 **Movie Night**
- 18 **Last Day of School**

**2008-2009 PTA OFFICERS**

<b>President</b>	Jan Hilliard
<b>VP of Membership</b>	Natalie Hill
<b>VP of Ways &amp; Means</b>	Caroline Kavanaugh
<b>VP of Curriculum</b>	Anne Loh
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	Diana Camaur
<b>Corresponding Sec.</b>	Lisa Jabara
<b>Treasurer</b>	Meredith Stenta
<b>Financial Secretary</b>	Natasha Ofri
<b>Historian</b>	Pamela Ho
<b>Auditor</b>	Julie Rachels
<b>Parliamentarian</b>	Nancy Khamseh
<b>Past President</b>	Melanie Shane

## PTA FUNDRAISING PURPOSE

Through the combined efforts of parents, teachers, staff and community, Bonita Canyon is rated one of the top elementary schools in Orange County. The Bonita Canyon PTA plays a major role in this effort by offering enrichment programs, volunteer support, community awareness and financial resources **NOT** provided by the District or supported through State funding.

## PTA FUNDRAISING GOALS

1. To deliver a better education and learning environment for the students at Bonita Canyon.
2. To maintain educational programs/staff funded by the PTA.
3. To receive a commitment from 100% of BC families.

## PTA PROGRAMS PROVIDED

The money generated by PTA fundraisers goes **directly toward** educational and extra-curricular programs, which together require an annual budget of approximately **\$132,200**. Your generous donations to the Bonita Canyon PTA make the following staff and programs available to all our students:

### Instructional Support Staff (~\$70,000)

- Instructional Assistants
- Health Clerk
- PE Teacher
- Guidance Counselor
- Library Assistant



### Instructional & Technology Support (~\$21,000)

- Classroom Allocations
- General Supplies
- Computer Lab Hardware/Software

### Instructional Programs (~\$16,000)

- Art Masters
- Music
- Student Assemblies
- Library Programs



### Community Service (~\$16,000)

- DARE
- Red Ribbon Week
- BC Buddies
- Lunch Club
- Movie Night
- Fall Social
- Field Day
- Reflections
- Emergency Preparedness
- Teacher Appreciation Week



### Enrichment Programs (~\$2,000)

- Multicultural Group
- Guy Stuff/Shape
- Reading Incentives
- Mother Daughter Tea



### General PTA Expenses & Other (~\$7,200)

- Tax Preparation
- Bank Fees
- Printing fees
- Supplies
- Legislative Action
- Insurance
- Scholarship funds

## DECIDING YOUR ANNUAL PLEDGE DRIVE AMOUNT

Your gift, whatever its size, will make a big impact on the quality of education that Bonita Canyon provides. As you determine your contribution, consider that a little more than **“A Dollar A Day”** for enriched education translates into about a **\$225 annual pledge PER CHILD**. Remember all donations are tax deductible and your contribution will be acknowledged for income tax purposes. Many companies have matching gift programs that can double or even triple your personal gift. Please check with your employer to see if a matching gift program is available.

Thank you for helping us reach our goals!  
The Bonita Canyon PTA