JANUARY 2025



BANCROFT PFC NEWSLETTER

The new year brings new exciting events! Many volunteers are working hard to make these possible, read below to understand how to get involved!



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year Bobcats!

It's hard to believe we are already halfway through the school year! I hope everyone has had a happy and healthy start to the new year.

Our volunteers are busy planning some wonderful upcoming community events in the next few weeks. Thank you in advance to our families that will be sharing their culture with us at the Multicultural Festival on January 31st.. Our 2nd annual Valentine's Dance will be held on Valentine's Day 2/14! Tickets to the wildly popular event will go on sale soon. Due to capacity in the Multi Use Room, there will be a limited number of tickets for purchase.

Our last big fundraiser of the year, Spring Auction, is happening March 22nd. The funds raised during the auction go directly to providing support for our students that would not be funded otherwise. Garden instruction, instructional assistants, math specialist, and many community events would not happen without the fundraising efforts of the PFC. We are currently in need of auction items to help us reach our goal.

Our next PFC meeting will be held February 11th, 6pm in the library, and a Zoom link will be provided for those who cannot attend an in-person meeting. We are already looking for volunteers to take on various PFC roles next school year – Please reach out to me or VP Tamara Jimenez at pfcvp@bancroftpfc.org if you have an inkling of interest. Shadowing opportunities make transitions so much easier.

As always, thank you to the many volunteers and staff that are contributing to supporting our students' experiences here at Bancroft.

Sandra Gonzalez
PFC President 24/25
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MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

The Multicultural Festival is a celebration of the diverse backgrounds of our school community. Bring your family to an evening of art, history, food, cultural attire, songs, dance, and more!

When: Friday Jan 31st, 4:30pm to 7:30pm Where: Bancroft Multi-Use Room (MUR)

Have your child/ren represent their culture background to display it at our Multicultural night. Due date is January 27th. Look for guidelines here.

Bancroft Multicultural Festival is organized by PFC volunteers. We need helpers for the day of the event to assist with some tasks. <u>Click</u> for details and signup!

Looking forward to see you all on the 31st!



Click image for more details and RSVP



AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Our After School Enrichment Program's winter season will run **January 21st through March 24th.** Below you will find important information about the program:

- **1- Communication:** Instructors will use the email address provided during your student's registration in Homeroom. Please keep this in mind and quickly update the email address if any changes happen.
- **2- Pick-up time:** Promptness during pick-up time is crucial, and we ask parents to be on time. If you are running late, please get in touch with your instructor. If you pick up late your student without notification more than one time, your student might be removed from the program.
- **3- Questions:** If you have questions about class schedules, enrollment, or cancellations, please check Homeroom first for possible answers. If you cannot find the information there, please contact your instructor or email us at bancroftase@gmail.com. Please DON'T contact the Office; they may not have the answers.
- **4- Feedback:** To enhance our program, we would appreciate it if you could complete the Homeroom survey at the end of the season.

CLICK HERE TO CHECK ON THE PROGRAMS WITH AVAILABILITY AT HOMEROOM AND SECURE YOUR KID'S SPOT!

We look forward to another enriching and fun-filled season!



2025 Auction + Gala Event - Early bird tickets extended to 1/24 at midnight! Don't miss out on this special pricing before it goes up.

We are almost sold out!

Gala theme is "Ticket to Paradise" where we're taking you out of Walnut Creek and to a tropical paradise. Come come dressed in your favorite resort wear, linens, aloha shirt or whatever your island vibe is.

If you want to help, we need day of volunteers and could use some additional help on back end planning (you get a



Click on image to buy your tickets NOW!!

reduced ticket price) - reach out to Kelly Bottarini or Amanda Pinkham if you're interested.

In need of Childcare for the event?

Dianne Adair is hosting a Kids Night Out 5pm-10:30pm Pizza, snacks & dessert included \$35 with a ticket \$50 without (must pay in advance) *For children 3yrs old and fully potty trained*

To reserve your spot email bancroft@dianneadair.org or call (925) 938-4063 by 2/23/25



TALENT SHOW REGISTRATION CLOSES TODAY!

Last call to sign up for this year's Talent Show!

Do you sing? Do you play an instrument? Can you juggle or yo-yo? Do you want to showcase your magic or dancing skills? Come show us what you've got! We are looking for individuals, small groups or maybe even entire classes to participate in this amazing show.

Space may be limited and sign-ups close today, Friday 17th. Click here to sign up before the day ends.

WHEN: The performance will take place on the

evening of April 25th WHERE: Bancroft MUR WHEN: Talent Show is April 25th at 5pm
WHERE: Bancroft MUR
Show admission - \$5 per person

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Talent Show

CLICK IMAGE TO SIGN UP

*There will be mandatory rehearsals on March 26th, April 16th and April 24th times TBD.

For further questions please contact Maggie Rinow at mbrinow@yahoo.com



GARDEN EDUCATORS' MESSAGE

Happy New Year 2025 to all our wonderful garden friends and supporters!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in Sloats' Growing Up Green promotion! Your support helps our Bancroft school garden flourish. After each promotion period, Bancroft receives a gift card ranging from \$35-50, and every little bit truly makes a difference in growing our garden program.

Sloats' next Growing Up Green promotion runs from Feb 7 to Feb 16, so don't forget to shop and support our garden while you're at it! A percentage of your purchases goes directly to the garden.

We are thrilled to welcome TK through 2nd grade back to garden classes starting January 21, and 3rd through 5th grade will return on February 4. We can't wait to learn, cook, and grow together with all of you!

Looking forward to seeing everyone in the garden soon!





DINE TO DONATE

Skip the cooking on Wednesday January 29th, and help our school by enjoying Mooyah burgers, or go for a shake with friends after school's Wednesday early dismissal!

See image for details.



Don't forget to mention Bancroft

Elementary for your money to go towards

our fundrasing goals!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

EARLY BIRD TICKETS FOR OUR SPRING AUCTION ARE AVAILABLE UNTIL 1/24!

CLICK TO BUY

AUCTION DATE: 3/22/25



FEBRUARY 11

PFC MONTHLY MEETING, 6PM



AT THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

FEBRUARY 14



JANUARY 29 - DINE TO DONATE @



JANUARY 20 - NO SCHOOL MLK HOLIDAY



Stay connected!

Bancroft Elementary Walnut Creek Families

<u>bancroftelementaryschool</u>

Shop at Sloat Garden
Center during Feb 7th-16th
Week and mention our school.
10% of purchases go back to
Bancroft as a Sloat Gift
Card! Click for more info
about Growing Up Green
program.

