

# Family Engagement: The Pirate Way

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# Hello!

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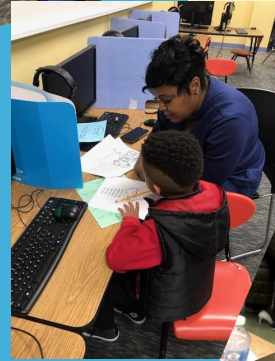
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# Bring Your Parents to School Day

## Pine Tree Primary School

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# What Is BYPTSD?

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The goal of the day was to provide parents opportunities to become the best learning partner for their student that they can be. Parents built their capacity as they learned side by side with their students through self-selected sessions led by teachers, Parent Liaisons, and Region 7 ESC staff. To support these efforts once they returned home, each family received a bag with reading and math activities geared towards either pre-kindergarten or kindergarten.



## WHAT IS BRING YOUR PARENT TO SCHOOL DAY?

Bring Your Parent to School Day is a chance for parents and students to learn along side each other.

Students and Parents will receive a bag of materials with learning activities to use at home.

This is a special time to spend one on one time with your Primary student.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES FAIR

Groups from the community will have tables to connect families with programs and resources available in the area to support families.

There will be a card to be stamped after visiting the community resources fair. The completed cards will be entered in a drawing for raffle prizes.

## CONTACT US

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(903)295-5095

## BRING YOUR PARENT TO SCHOOL DAY

Pine Tree Primary School  
February 17, 2020  
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM



Planning was completed in a 6 week window. The inspiration hit and we couldn't wait until next year.

Flyers were sent home in English and Spanish to advertise the event.



## SNACK BAR

Papcom \$2 a bag  
• Cheesy Cheddar  
• Cheddar Jalapeno  
• Buttery Caramel  
Profits are used for classroom materials.

## KONA ICE

Kona Ice will be available. You can spend \$3, \$4, \$5. A portion of the proceeds are given back to Pine Tree Primary for classroom materials.

## NEED ASSISTANCE?

Translations will be provided in Spanish for families.

Other Accommodations  
Please contact enowlin@iptisd.org or call (903) 295-5095 to let us know how we can help.



**BEHIND EVERY YOUNG CHILD WHO BELIEVES IN HIMSELF IS A PARENT WHO BELIEVED FIRST.**

## WHAT ARE SESSIONS?

Sessions are classes you will attend during Bring Your Parent School Day. There will be a math and reading class plus the choice between some other fun learning topics.

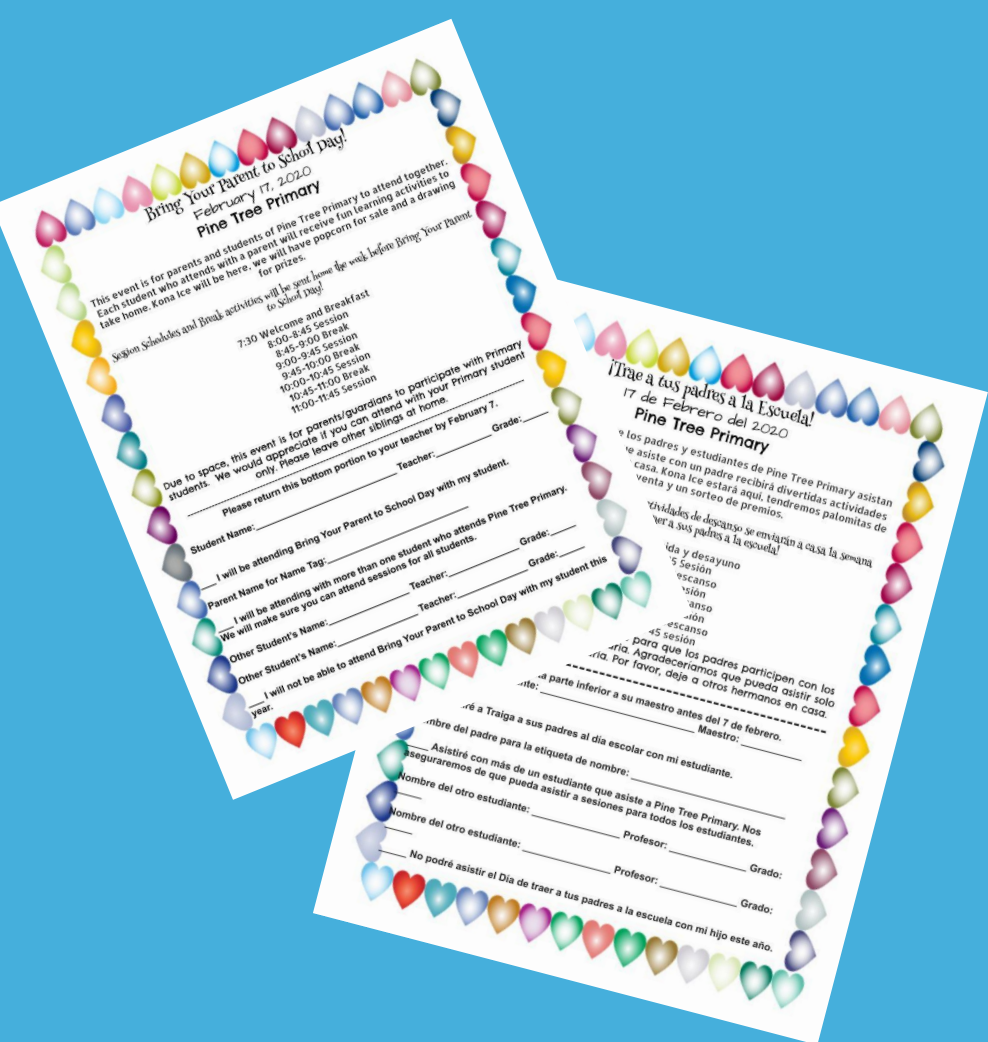
## WHAT ARE BREAKS?

What is school without fun! You get to choose your breaks: Recess on the playground, PE in the Gym, or games in the cafeteria.

## WHO CAN ATTEND?

Due to space, this event is for parents/guardians to participate with Primary students. We would appreciate if you can attend with your Primary student only.





Is this a regular school day? Bring Your Parent to School Day on February 17 is usually set aside as Spring Parent Conference Day. This is a student holiday.

What will we be doing during Bring Your Parent to School day? Our goal is for you to have a great day learning with your child. We want to share with you activities you can do at home, connect you with community services, and give you the chance to build relationships with other parents.

Who can attend the day? This day is for parents and students of Pine Tree Primary. The goal is for a parent and student to spend time together learning and playing together. Please leave other non Primary siblings at home.

If you have more than one student at the Primary, pick and choose sessions you think the whole family will enjoy.

**Bring Your Parent to School Day**  
**Session Info**

You and your child will have the opportunity to attend four sessions together. Each session is about 30 minutes long.

**Pre Kindergarten Sessions**  
**Take Home Bag Math Activities**  
During this session we will explore the math activities in the green backpack and learn ways to help your student with math at home. The backpack contains many fun, engaging activities to help you create a love of math for your student.

**Take Home Bag Reading Activities**  
During this session you will work together with your child to create meaningful work in the area of literacy. We will walk through your take home materials including a writing journal, plastic letters, rhyming/ photo cards and more!

**Kindergarten Sessions**  
**Take Home Bag Math Activities**  
This session will show fun and engaging ways to use the items in your bag with your student at home. We will learn and practice two activities in the session and will include many ideas for you to explore at home.

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**Sessions for Everyone**  
**Writing at Home**  
During this session, we will explore ways to help your child read and write by using the items they already have. This phonics session will have your child LOVING to sound out words.

**Phonics Flash**  
This session would be especially helpful if your child is not reading on level or is confused but still also benefit those students that are already readers and writers.

**Legs Not Apps**  
Learn to use the use of electronics.

**Oral language is the foundation of reading**  
language skills without the written word.

**Write at Home**  
Before children can read (decode) words, they have to understand that words are made up of sounds and that sounds can be represented by letters and other fun games.

**Sessions for Families who speak Spanish**  
We will offer the following sessions to our families who are more comfortable learning in Spanish.

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**Take Home Bag Math Activities for prekindergarten**  
During this session we will explore the math activities in the green backpack and learn ways to help your student with math at home. The backpack contains many fun, engaging activities to help you create a love of math for your student.

**Take Home Bag Reading Activities for prekindergarten**  
During this session you will work together with your child to create meaningful work in the area of literacy. We will walk through your take home materials including a writing journal, plastic letters, rhyming/ photo cards and more!

**Hande a Hacer, Leer y Contar Juntos/ Let's Talk, Read and Sing Together**  
Vamos a explorar varias actividades que les ayudaran a sus hijos a aprender mas en la escuela y en casa.  
Let's explore several activities that will help your child learn more in school and at home.

**Expectations for English Language Learners**  
Kids who want to learn ways to teach their students who speak Spanish and English to be successful in school.

**Take a Break and have some Fun!**  
Play balloon games in the gym social skills games in the cafeteria or our bulletin boards with art by the office playgrounds (Weather permitting).

**Día de Traer a Tus Padres a la Escuela**  
**Información de las sesiones**

Usted y su hijo tendrán la oportunidad de asistir a cuatro sesiones juntas. Cada sesión dura unos 30 minutos.

**Sesiones de Pre Kindergarten**  
**Actividades de matemáticas para llevar a casa**  
Durante esta sesión exploraremos las actividades de matemáticas en la mochila verde y aprenderemos formas de ayudar a su estudiante con las matemáticas en casa. La mochila contiene muchas actividades divertidas y atractivas para ayudarle a crear un amor por las matemáticas con su estudiante.

**Actividades de lectura para llevar a casa**  
Durante esta sesión, trabajará junto con su hijo para crear un trabajo significativo en el área de escritura, lectura, descubrimos sus materiales que lleva a casa. Incluye un diario de escritura, cartas de plástico, tarjetas de rima foto y más!

**Sesiones de Kindergarten**  
**Actividades de matemáticas para llevar a casa**  
Esta sesión mostrará formas divertidas y atractivas de usar los artículos en su bolso para practicar con su estudiante en casa. Aprenderemos y practicaremos dos actividades en la sesión e incluiremos muchos ideas para que explore en casa. Actividades de lectura para llevar a casa.

**Sesiones de lectura para todos**  
**Escribir en casa**  
Durante esta divertida sesión, exploraremos formas de ayudar a su hijo a leer y escribir aprendiendo a usar los sonidos que ya conocen. Esta sesión de fonética hará que su hijo AMÉ a escribir y pronunciar palabras.

**Fonética correcta**  
Esta sesión sería especialmente útil si su hijo no lee a nivel o no escribe oraciones, pero también beneficiará a aquellos estudiantes que ya son lectores y escritores.  
¡Manga, toma parte!

**Mejorar las habilidades**  
El lenguaje oral es la base de la lectura. Aprenda formas (SPEL) e (DIVER) para ayudar a mejorar las habilidades lingüísticas de su hijo sin el uso electrónico.

**Juegos para jugar**  
Antes de que los niños puedan leer (decodificar) palabras, deben comprender que las palabras están formadas por sonidos. Incluso a nosotros mientras exploramos formas de escuchar y manipular sonidos en palabras a través de Memory Rhyming (memorización fonética) y otros juegos divertidos.

The main goal of the event was to have time to train parents on how to use the Take-Home bags with their students in many ways. The bags contained activities to reinforce our essential outcomes for students in prekindergarten and kindergarten.

In hindsight, this day helped us be more prepared to support our families who not too many weeks later had to begin instructing their students at home due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Teachers were able to observe how parents and students interacted during this day and use that information to create lessons which used the materials to help their student learning. We were able to get a bag to every parent who wasn't able to attend, the materials as well to use with their students learning at home.

Many stakeholders joined in the planning process: parent liaisons, district staff, campus staff and administrators, ESC staff, PTA, Early Learning Coalition, church and faith based organizations, and community service providers. From providing sessions to door prizes to family take home materials, we used an all in approach. This made our event a chance for over 15 community groups to recruit participation in their services and many local businesses to get their information to families in a direct way. The goal was to create an environment where families felt like the four hours at school were well spent.



Primary Partners provided feedback on the event.

### Primary Partner Providers Information

Please fill out the following form. This will help us learn more about you as a partner and how we can connect our families to you. Plus, we can learn about other groups who may be good to connect our families too.

Name of Partner  
Your answer

Contact Person  
Your answer

Email  
Your answer

Other Contact Information  
Your answer



**Tran a Tu Padre al Día Escolar**  
**Honrarlo de Nación**  
**Bilingüe/ Español**

7:30-8:00  
 Sign in at Welcome Table  
 Grab Breakfast in the Cafeteria

Session 1 8:00-8:30

Math Take Home Bag Activities (K) Room 42	Reading Take Home Bag Activities (K) Room 38	Laps Not Apps Science Lab	Writing at Home Room 12	Phonics Right Room 14	We're All Ears Room 22
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 Recess, Gym, Cafeteria

Session 2 9:00-9:30

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Session 3 9:45-10:15

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**KINDERGARTEN**

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Math Take Home Bag Activities (PK) Room 35	Reading Take Home Bag Activities (PK) Room 7	Laps Not Apps Science Lab	Writing at Home Room 12	Phonics Right Room 14	We're All Ears Room 22
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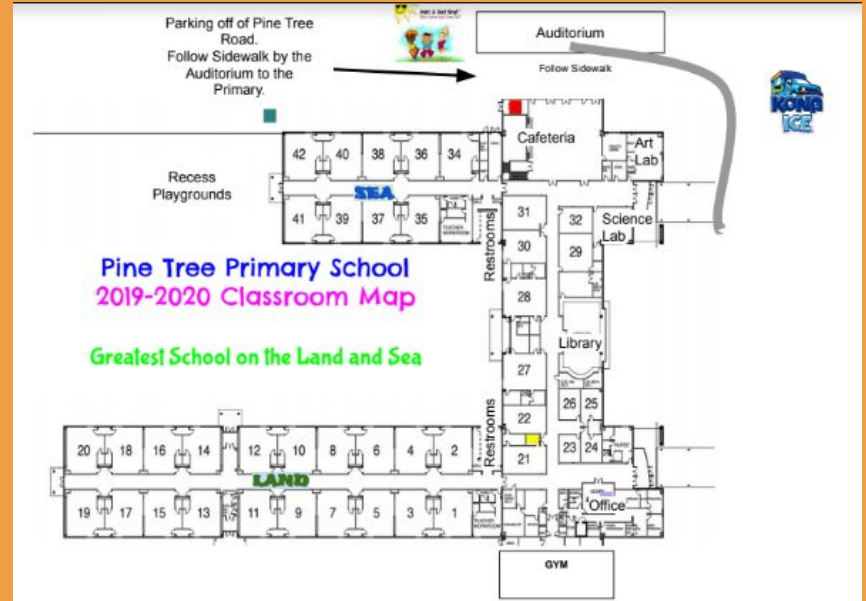
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# Matt & Dad Concert



The morning closed out with a an interactive concert and drawings for raffle prizes.





Area businesses and community groups donated raffle prizes for our families:

- T-shirts
- Jewelry
- Gifts cards
- Product samples
- Vouchers
- Coffee mugs
- tumblers
- And more



# Future Pirates Club

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**Future Pirate Club is for our littlest pirates both near and far from Pine Tree!**

**The goal of Future Pirates Club is to build the Pirate Spirit from Birth.**

**Perks of Joining Future Pirates Club:**

- ★ Summer Playdates
- ★ Access to many Primary Campus Events
- ★ Membership to Ready Rosie
- ★ School Readiness Tips
- ★ Developmental Screenings
- ★ Monthly Newsletter with Community Resources
- ★ And much more....





Come join the Greatest School on the Land and Sea!

**Pine Tree Primary**

Primary Information Fair  
 April 27, 2021  
 5:00-6:30  
 @Primary Playgrounds

Inviting all Current and Future Primary Pirates

Find out more information at:  
[http://ptisd.org/page/pps\\_homepage](http://ptisd.org/page/pps_homepage)  
 Click on New Student Registration for requirements.

Because our registration is all online, it is important for us to take time to make connections with our families, give them a preview of the Primary Campus as well as connect them with community programs and resources.

# Primary Information Fair

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## **FAMILY BRIDGE EARLY LEARNING COALITION**

**Family Bridge is an umbrella of programs designed to help parents empower themselves as their children's first teacher, and to connect families who have young children and expectant mothers with education, support and resources needed to prepare children for school readiness and a lifetime of health and success.**