IN THE LOOP

Special PTA Dance-A-Thon Edition

2019

Wow - Beluga Families! We just completed our most successful Browns Point Elementary PTA Dance-a-Thon EVER! Once again, this year's Dance-a-Thon was a team effort and we have so many people to thank, including our awesome staff, students, and families. Together, students raised a record breaking amount (see below for the breakdown) to help support PTA events and programming at our school. This special edition In the Loop will recognize our sponsors, highlight our top fundraisers, and thank the incredible people who came together to make this fundraiser a phenomenal success!

*THANK YOU SPONSORS!*

Thanks again to our generous sponsors, every single Browns Point student received a Dance-A-Thon shirt to wear on Dance Day and shared their school pride! Be sure to think of these businesses the next time you need one of their services. Thank you to each of our sponsors:

**$1,000 Title Level Sponsor**

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Climb Tacoma

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This Little Pic Photography

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Lighthouse Market

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Studio 1 – Pilates and Performance

Three Trees Yoga

*WHAT NOW?*

We raised an incredible amount of money. What will we do with it? We look forward to using this money to enhance educational programs and offer more fun, and exciting opportunities for our students! Funds raised support our Artist in Residence, Science Assemblies, Browns Point Reads (which is similar to One Book One School), Curriculum Support for classroom supplies and/or field trip support and the list goes on. Your donations will keep these programs going! We have also surveyed our PTA members and Staff to solicit suggestions on how to spend the overage. An updated budget will be presented and voted on as soon as the PTA board reviews all the options!

*DANCE DAY RECAP*

Students danced their hearts out this year! Sending a huge thank you to Kimberly DeMille of Federal Way Jazzercize who led the kids in choreographed routines which kept them focused and entertained. Everyone had a great time and the kids loved the music and disco lights! Dancing is great exercise and a fun way to fundraise, without having to sell (or buy) anything to support our PTA!

*FUNDRAISING RESULTS AND DETAILS*

***Total Amount Collected***

In 14 school days 287 students brought in (drumroll please).......

* $38,867

Plus, we had an incredibly supportive response when we reached out for sponsorships this year which covered the cost of t-shirts for every student and the event itself which brought in an additional.......

* $6,000

Our Grand Total came out to a whopping.......

* $44,867 (gross)

Our Net Total after the cost of t-shirts, prizes, DJ, credit card processing fees, printing, cupcakes, etc. comes out to an amazing….

* $38,050 (net) \*This number might be slightly different at year-end because final expenses are still coming in.

*Top 6 Fundraisers*

Our top six fundraising students, were nothing short of EPIC in their fundraising endeavor. These six students were able to choose from some incredible prize packages with themes like a Seahawks experience, STEM, music, art & photography, outdoor adventure, and family fun. Congrats to these students for their hard work and we hope they enjoyed the prize package they chose!

1st place: Isaiah Winkler - $1,535 from Mrs. Hathorn’s class

2nd place: Maximillion Coats - $880 from Mrs. Wimbles’ class

3rd place: Addie Scheuffele - $865 from Mrs. Jackson’s class

4th place: Corey Banks - $840 from Mrs. Flygare’s class

5th place: Jake Shook - $730 from Ms. Morris’ class

6th place: Gavin Henry - $700 from Mrs. Larson’s class

*Other High Collectors*

Wait, we have more students to recognize! In addition to the top 6 schoolwide, we are celebrating the top two fundraisers in each grade level who each received a fun prize bag to take home!

Kindergarten:

Cannon Liddell – Mrs. Greer’s class

Evan Galvin – Mrs. Bott’s class

1st:

Cheyenne Bartlett – Mrs. Jensen’s class

Finley Wick – Ms. Gallagher’s class

2nd:

Parker Bott – Mrs. Rossetto’s class

Erin Kim – Mrs. Rossetto’s class

3rd:

Emily Nist – Mrs. Scott’s class

Adam Santoki – Mrs. Hathorn’s class

4th:

Mia Failano – Mrs. Heckman’s class

Roman Inaba – Ms. Morris’ class

5th:

Georgia Morrow – Mrs. Jackson’s class

Theo Croke – Mrs. Jackson’s class

*Superstar Fundraiser Celebration*

A record 99 students each raised $200 or more each this year! To recognize this impressive accomplishment, the PTA hosted a Principal’s Glow Movie Party! We wore LED blinky sunglasses, glow bracelets, glow necklaces, glow rings and munched on Trolli Candy and popcorn while watching Trolls. It. Was. A. Blast!

*All School Reward*

Congrats Belugas!   Because we exceeded our schoolwide fundraising goal for Dance-a-thon, the entire school enjoyed a free sit lunch day and were able to watch and judge an epic lip sync battle between staff members during the Student of the Month assembly on Friday, November 15, 2019. Thank you to the Kindergarten Teachers - Mrs. Bott, Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Flygare and Mrs. Welton and Mrs. Heckman for putting on an amazing show for the students! This was the first time we’ve held this event as an all-school show and we loved it! Also, huge thank you to Principal Horner to took not one, but TWO chocolate pies to the face to celebrate hitting our stretch goal of $30,000! She came away messy but with no concussions or broken noses thanks to expert pie throwing skills by our pie drawing winners: Levi Olsen in Mrs. Bott’s class and Avery Aguilar in Mrs. Gallagher’s class!

*Cupcakes For Everyone!*

Another fun incentive challenged each classroom to raise a goal specific to them and promised them a cupcake party if they reached their goal. The students did so well that every classroom received cupcakes on Friday, November 22nd! Thank you all and we hope you enjoyed the sweet reward!

*Weekly Drawing Winners*

We also held weekly drawings to encourage participation. Any students who turned in any amount of money each week were eligible for the drawing. Congratulations to this years’ drawing winners:

Cecilia Germani won an Amazon Fire Tablet

Preston Grant won Thunderbirds Hockey Tickets

Saylor Brocksmith won an Amazon Fire Tablet

Aden Riestra won an Amazon Fire Tablet

*PRIZE DONORS*

Our top collectors are so deserving of the fantastic prizes and we thank these people and organizations for making that happen. Thank you to these generous prize donors:

Climb Tacoma (Kathy and Jason Mikos – parents of Caleb, Sierra, & Jayden Mikos, 2nd and 4th)

Seattle Tacoma Box Company

Jeannie and Jake Nist (parents of Emily Nist, 3rd)

Lacey and Sean O’Connell (parents of Finley O’Connell, 3rd)

Laura and Steve Santoki (parents of Adam Santoki 3rd)

Beccy and Tim Scheuffele (parents of Addie Scheuffele, 5th)

Christine Ok and Hoon Hong (parents of Mia Hong, 1st)

Megan Oberfield

Katie Stephens

*MATCHING DONATIONS*

We had some amazing matching donations this year. We are very grateful to those of you who reached out to your companies and to those companies who matched your gift!

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*VOLUNTEERS*

Preparations for the Dance-a-Thon begin months before the first collection sheet is sent home or the date is announced. Our wonderful volunteers fill a variety of roles, some are 'behind the scenes', or at the collections table, or helping out on the day of the event. It is truly a finely orchestrated event! We'd like to send a much deserved 'Thank You' to our incredible team of volunteers that spent countless hours making the Dance-a-Thon a possibility. It was truly awesome to see so many individuals come together, roll up their sleeves, and offer their time, creativity, expertise, and set a fine example of teamwork for our children!

*Our incredible volunteers included:*

Heather Washington

Koree Wick

Suzy Schactler

Katie Mattran

Ahmi Kim

Maria Williams

Monica Green

Beccy Schueffele

Shannon Lyons

Sam Brocksmith

Kate Colito

Ranee Clapp

Kathy Mikos

Lindsey Schmidt

Amanda Slater

.....and many more!

Thanks to each and every one of you! An extra special thanks to Laura Santoki for her leadership chairing the event! Thank you also to the entire PTA board for doing whatever necessary to make this fundraiser successful. We can’t thank you enough!

*MORE THANKS*

As this was a PTA event, we want to send a big, giant 'Thank You' all of the teachers and our principal Ms. Horner for your support. You went above and beyond to make this a successful fundraiser! We appreciate you allowing the students out of class to participate in the Dance-A-Thon and to turn in their and helping us communicate with students and families about all the dance details! Seeing you all dance with the kids and have a good time was just awesome! THANK YOU!!!

*ONE FINAL THANKS*

This is for every single student and family who collected money, whether it was $1 or $1,000 - we extend our sincere thanks! We all worked together and not only met, but exceeded our goal. Great job everyone! We all should be very proud to be part of the Beluga family.