

October

FALL EDITION



We hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful start to fall!

It's been wonderful to see so many families showing up and coming together at our recent events. **Fall Fete was a great day**, blessed with perfect weather and a fantastic turnout. Families enjoyed an afternoon of games, live music, and delicious food, making it the biggest and most vibrant event of the year organized by the PA. It was a joy to see our community connect and celebrate together.

In September, we were hosting two other family-favorite events. **Apple picking at Parlee Farms** with families gathering to enjoy the sunny day and, picking their own apples and flowers. We followed that up with **Family Day at Fenway Park**, where families cheered on the Red Sox game and kids got the thrill of running the bases – a unique experience they won't forget anytime soon!

We're so grateful for your participation in these events, and we look forward to seeing you at the exciting activities we have planned in the coming months.

IMPORTANT PA EVENT DATES



October 26th: TRUNK-OR-TREAT for Early Years and Lower School.
October 31st: HALLOWEEN BAKE SALE for all year groups.



November 2nd: CRADLES TO CRAYONS EVENT for all year groups.

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SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS!



FAMILY RED SOX DAY - RUN THE BASES Fenway Park

It was fantastic to see so many of our BISB families at our first-ever Red Sox Family Day! Everyone of the **135 people** had a fantastic time – especially with the Red Sox taking home the win! The kids had a blast running the bases - a truly Bostonian experience. Because of the amazing response, already excited **to plan the next Red Sox Family Day in the spring** and can't wait to share more Baseball fun with you all!

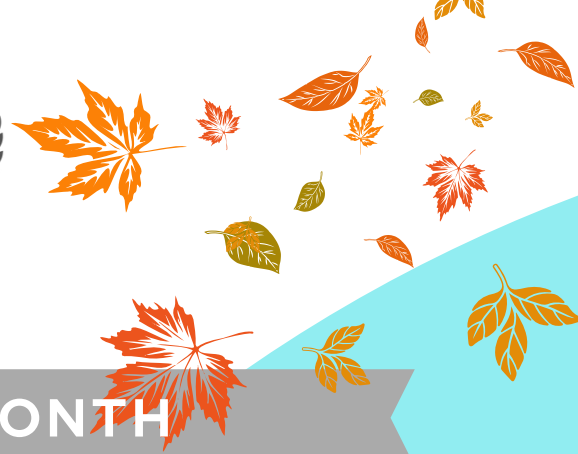


FAMILY APPLE PICKING Parlee Farm

What a fantastic day we had at our Family Apple Picking event! The beautiful summer weather was nearly too hot for apple picking, but it didn't stop us from having a blast! The kids had an amazing time participating in all the fun activities on the farm! It was wonderful to see so many families from our school enjoying the day together.



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HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH



FALL FETE



WHAT AN AMAZING FALL FETE!

It was great to see so many BISB families & staff come together to celebrate our biggest PA event of the year. The excitement, especially of the children, made it feel like one **big community party!**

A massive thank you to all our wonderful parents, students, and teachers who volunteered their time. Whether you helped with setting up, running activities, food donations, clean up or just being there to cheer everyone on, your contributions made the day extra special.

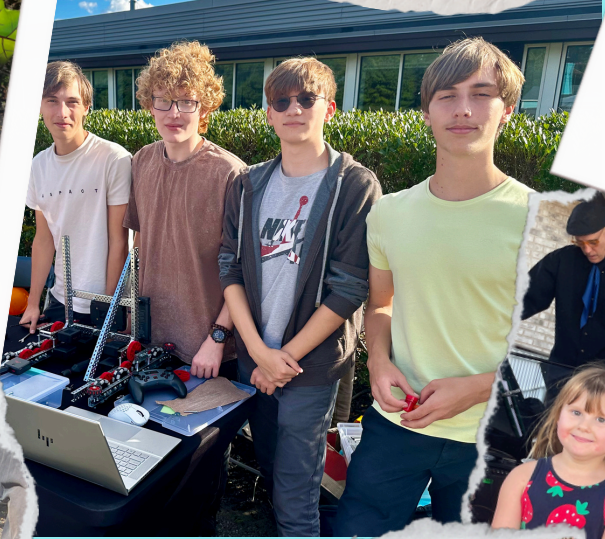
A huge thank you also goes to Mr. Keach for his outstanding support, staying with us until the very last chair was put away on Saturday night! Your dedication to our school community does not go unnoticed, and we are truly grateful.

And of course, a **heartfelt thank you to Alex Betteridge**, our awesome PA Chair of Events.

With your support, **we raised approximately \$3,500, which will go toward supporting future student events, contributing to staff appreciation initiatives, and other activities throughout the year.**

We hope everyone enjoyed the delicious food, raffles, silent auction, baking contest, live music, and all the fun games and activities, from the petting zoo to Welly Wangling.

It was wonderful to see everyone having such a great time!





THANK YOU FOR JOINING FALL FETE!



**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT!**



AND THE WINNERS ARE..

Student Baking Competition Winners

1st place - Theo & August DuBuc
Tie for 2nd place Chloe & Jessica Betteridge
Hawkins and Sabrina Zhong

Parent Baking Competition

1st place Ellen Dutta & Louise Viswanathan
2nd place Zarina Temme
3rd place Simren J

Thank you to everyone who competed in the baking competition! The judge had a very tough time tasting all the delicious cakes!

Welly Wangling Winners

Matt Thornhill - 31m
Charlotte (year 9) 24.5m

Raffle Prizes

Sofia yr 8 - Be a senior leader for a day
Andrew P - yr 7 priority pick of winter clubs
Emme yr 5 - Be the school PA announcer
Abi - yr 8 - class waffle breakfast
Mina nursery - sledding with a teacher

Silent Auction Winners

A special thank you to all our silent auction winners! who bid a total of \$750!!

As a special thank you and in recognition of world teachers day, our teachers raffle winners were:

Mr Kilen
Mr Crossa

BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR GREAT VOLUNTEERS!

Prep Party

Kate Kim
Julia Levine
Carol Bagshaw
Yan Shi

Set Up Crew

Christina Cabot-Jones
Stephanie Minto
Gabriella Hernandez
Jodi Petrucelli
Mark Geng
Andrés Zuluaga
Mike Farabaugh
Mr Flint
Ms Clarke
Ms Powell
Mr Stephenson
Mr Perry
Ms Samson
Mr Pringle
Mr MacInnes
Ms Brick Ms Thomas

Clean up Crew

Christina Cabot-Jones
Ms Staples
Ms Sockwell
Mr Hunt
Mr Wright
Mr Ermgassen

Cotton Candy

Catherine Wan
Jodi Petrucelli
Kristin Ostrander
Catherine Wan

Food & Drink Table

Fenella Chisholm
Neena Potenza
Alison Yeardley
Irina Dynov
Neena Potenza
Bob Potenza
Tanya Gull
Aileen Player
Jessica Dunn

Tote Decorating

Sarah Graber
Heather Thornhill
Madeline Ling
Marwa Sabe

Popcorn Booth

Anna Patrick
Laurence Crossan
Jane Ebert
Pilar Opazo

Pumpkin Shy

Maressa Patts
Tim Patts
Jennifer Robertson

Waffle Booth

Max Schaefer
Hao Quan
Leila Zamani
Maria Pena

Welly Wangling

Victoria Tiffin

Teachers who also helped on the booths:

Mr smith
Mr Jerram
Ms Minto
Mr Elliot
Mr Brown
Ms Gillies
Mr Claughton
Ms Yeardley
Ms Hernandez
Ms Wilson

And a massiv thanks goes to all students, who helped during Fall Fete whether volunteering at a game or contributing with their school clubs!

Football throwing

Steven Johnson
Joanna Johnson
Gergana Nenkov
Alayna Richardson

Frog Hop

Niall Cahill

Guess How Many Sweets

Abbie Sampaio

Krazy Kans

Cina Doctoroff

Leafy Hedgehog Creations

Tatiana Wojciechowska
Farah Moustafa

Lucky Dip

Hilary DiNitto
Anna Vangel

Petting Zoo

Tatiana Wojciechowska
Dana Willeke
Claudia Gasparello
Zarina Temme
Natalia Butakova

Raffle

Sarah Fiore
CYNTHIA Vallance

Ring Toss

Natalia Balcells
Jane Ebert

Ticket Booth

Kate Kim
Bob Potenza
Kate Wendelboe
Jessica Smith
Stephanie Robinson

Guess The Name Of Teddy!

Michelle Moeller
Tali Cherizli



What else is happening IN OCTOBER

Boo!

BISB PARENT ASSOCIATION



TRUNK-OR-TREAT SEPTEMBER 26, 10AM-12PM LOWER PARKING LOT

Get ready for some spooky fun! Join in on the Halloween spirit. **Come in your favorite costumes or get creative by decorating your own car trunk** with treats for the kids! We'll have plenty of give aways, games, food and lots of fun for everyone. **If you want to decorate a trunk, please use the sign-up link below!**

26th, Saturday
10AM - 12PM



HALLOWEEN BAKE SALE OCTOBER 31 LIBRARY

Our spooktacular Halloween Bake Sale is just around the corner! **We're inviting you to donate homemade or store bought treats – the spookier the better!** Feel free to add some spooky decorations to your baked goods for extra Halloween flair. We're also looking for **enthusiastic volunteers** to help set up and run the bake sale. It's always a fun way to get involved and enjoy the Halloween spirit with the school community. **Please use sign-up link below for your spooky food!**



31st, Thursday



BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

you can imagine it takes an army of volunteers to run many of the events throughout the year. We truly appreciate any help the parent community can provide.

Visit our website <http://bisbpa.org/get-involved/>, email us parent.association@bisboston.org or speak with your Class Representative.



What's happening IN NOVEMBER



CRADLES TO CRAYONS - EXCITING NEWS!



CRADLES TO CRAYONS PHILANTHROPY PARTNER 2024-2025

Many of you remember our heartwarming event with "Cradles to Crayons" beginning of the school year, where we packed backpacks for children in need. **We're thrilled to announce that the BISB-PA is continuing this spirit and has joined the Cradles to Crayons Family Leadership Circle - it will be our featured PHILANTHROPY PARTNER FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR.**

Cradles to Crayons helps provide essential items like clothing, shoes, and school supplies to children in need, and we are so proud to join forces with them.



Throughout the year, we'll have fun, interactive ways for students, families, and staff to get involved—starting with our **first event November 2nd**. Sign up with the link below!

WHY THIS MATTERS?

We believe in fostering a strong sense of empathy, kindness, and responsibility in our students. **By focusing our philanthropy efforts, we aim to teach our children the importance of giving back and making a positive impact in the lives of others.** Through this partnership, we'll be working together to support children in need and build a community of compassion.



**NOV 2, Saturday
1PM - 3PM**

CRADLES TO CRAYONS - WORLD KINDNESS DAY NOVEMBER 2, 1PM - 3PM C2C GIVING FACTORY



Let's kick off this partnership with heart and enthusiasm! ❤️
Join us at the Cradles to Crayons Giving Factory to help pack winter care packages with coats, gloves and hats. We will also create heartwarming cards for the winter care packages. Afterwards, enjoy an ice cream social for our wonderful volunteers. Bring your friends and unleash your creativity while making a difference together!
Please click on sign-up link below and complete one form for each volunteer!

What's happening IN OUR COMMUNITY

BISB PARENT ASSOCIATION



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP



Our Pre-loved Uniform Shop is launching it's season! Purchase uniforms that are still in good condition while being sustainable by giving these items a second life. Click below link for the Unifrom shop.

ATTENDING
ANY EVENT?

Don't forget to tag us
on socials!



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TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

On behalf of our community, CCRs and parents of the Lower school organized a Teacher Appreciation Breakfast in September to show our thanks for the hard work, enthusiasm, and care that our teachers put into helping our students grow. **The next appreciation breakfast is planned October 25th and will be hosted by High School CCRs & families.**



QUESTIONS? IDEAS? FEEDBACK? DROP US A LINE!

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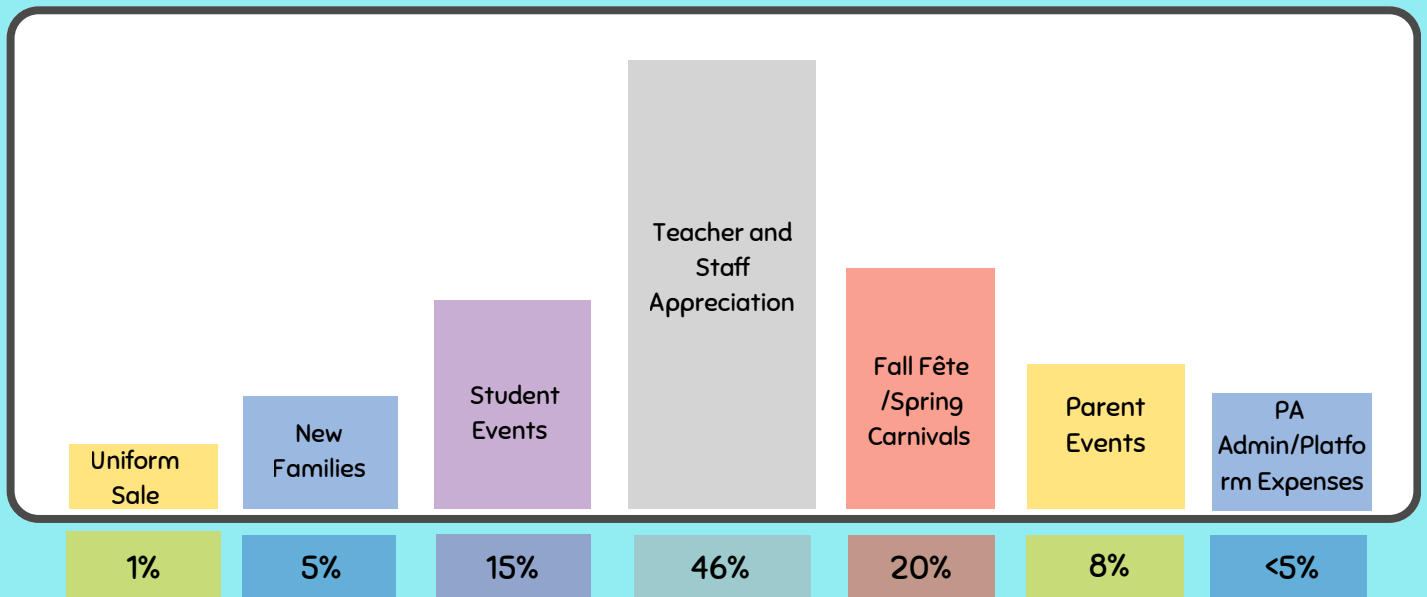




WHERE DO BISB-PA DOLLARS GO?

👉 Spending for the 2023-2024 School Year 👈

We are excited to share with you the impact of your generosity and support for the British International School of Boston Parent Association. Thanks to your contributions and help in fundraising events, we've been able to make significant efforts in enhancing our community. Your donations have helped us in the following ways:



We extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every member of our community for your ongoing support of our BISB-PA. Together, we look forward to continuing our shared mission to create an enriching experience for all students, parents, teachers, and staff.

Thank You for Your Generosity and Unwaivering Support!