

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to announce that our new parent initiative at BMS has a name – Metropolitan Engagement Team (MET@BMS). And we would like to invite each of you to join.

The goal of the new group is to offer opportunities for parents of ELC, Primary, and Secondary School students to help strengthen our school community by working together on events and initiatives throughout the school year.

If you would like to join the group and help make our community at BMS stronger, or have ideas for workshops, clubs, spaces for sports lessons, or any other ideas for organized community activities, please contact us at: metropolitanparents@gmail.com

In addition, we have prioritized several events and initiatives for this school year. See below for ways in which you can get involved!

MET@BMS Ted Parents

Do you have an interesting project or story to share with our community? On the path of life we often encounter inspiring stories, innovative ideas, topics that change our perspectives, and fascinating projects. These are topics worth sharing. If you have an interesting occupation / profession / project / story that you would like to share with the BMS parent community, we would be happy to organize an evening for you to present your knowledge. Your talk can be on various subjects, from all aspects of life: science, art, society, education and more. please contact us at: metropolitanparents@gmail.com

MET@BMS Holiday Social - Family Winter Event

If you would like to help plan a holiday event in December: **Please volunteer here.**

We would like to plan a simple, social event during BMS Creative Arts Week (Dec 10 – 14) where parents can socialize with each other in a festive atmosphere.

International Day (28 February)

This fun-filled event is back on the calendar and scheduled for February 28. What great ideas do you have for a fun and educational internationally-themed event? **Sign up to volunteer** at: metropolitanparents@gmail.com

BMS Ambassador Program

Help new and prospective families navigate a new school and a new city. Serve as a resource both academically and socially and answer general questions about moving to Berlin. Responsibilities include reaching out to new families before the start of classes to welcome them to our community, and touching base at various points throughout the year to follow up on their adjustment. **You may volunteer here.**

Also, if you have ideas for more activities or would like to host an event, please contact us at metropolitanparents@gmail.com

And finally, have you seen our **new Parents Community Bulletin Board** in the lobby? Feel free to use this board to promote services that you as parents can offer to the greater BMS community, and be sure to look here for future MET@BMS announcements.

Thanks so much for helping to make our community so diverse, robust, and all-around wonderful.

MET@BMS

Celeste Gottfried (3b)

Stefanie El Noshokaty (2d, 5c)

Daniela Henning (9, 12)

Christina Mallet (2a, 6b)

Merav Ohavi Tai (1d, 5a, 6c)

Victoria Thiessen (6d, 7c)

Ulli Uhrig (2a, 6c, 9b)

BMS Parent & Family Activity Program ~ Fall 2018

Join parents and families from BMS on excursions around Berlin. This parent-led initiative will strengthen our community by bringing us together around common interests. Please note that this program of activities is not officially affiliated with Berlin Metropolitan School. Parents must accompany and be responsible for their children at all times. All fees are the responsibility of participants.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Sunday December 2, 2018 at 3:00pm FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT

What can be more fun than a night of family bowling at one of Berlin's swankiest bowling alleys? Join us at Strike Lanes for some food and fun!

<http://strikelanes.de/>

Location: Strike Lanes, Alexa Shopping Center, 3.OG

RSVP: metropolitanparents@gmail.com by 15 Nov.

ACTIVITIES JUST FOR PARENTS

BMS RUNNING CLUB

When: every other Friday at 08:30, beginning 09 November

Distance: 5 to 7 km

Contact: Julie Schoen (Eva and Harper's Mom): julie@trackthetown.com

GERMAN CLUB FOR PARENTS

BMS offers German language classes for parents (levels A1 to B2).

For more information contact Martin Ecker, Director CCEP - Martin.Ecker@metropolitanschool.com

Wednesday November 14, 2018, at 9:30am TOUR OF SAMMLUNG BOROS ART COLLECTION

Enter the historic WWII era bunker and take a guided tour of one of Berlin's most exclusive private collections of contemporary art.

<https://www.sammlung-boros.de/>

Cost: €25

Meeting Point: BMS reception 8:45 or Sammlung Boros, Reinhardtstr. 20, 9:20

RSVP: metropolitanparents@gmail.com by 05 Nov.

Thursday November 29, 2018 at 9.30am TOUR OF TEMPELHOF AIRPORT

We'll take a 2-hour tour in English and learn about the history and architecture of this Berlin landmark.

<https://www.thf-berlin.de/en/tours/group-tours/>

Cost: €13

Meeting Point: BMS reception 8.40 or Tempelhof Airport, Tempelhof Damm 1-7 (entry opposite petrol station)

RSVP: metropolitanparents@gmail.com by 15 Nov.

Wednesday December 12, 2018, at 9.00am ICE SKATING

Let's get in the winter spirit and do a little skating. Location TBD.