

PTA Meeting November 14th 2018

Principals Message – Dr. Ryan:

On October 22nd we had firefighter Phil come for fire safety month. We had an assembly and then an OTPD Halloween safety assembly on the 23rd.

The Fire Department held a preschool program geared more toward them that same week.

On Friday October 26th we had the smoke trailer for the 4th graders.

We had the Geo Bee this past Monday in November. The winner was Jaya Patel. She will go onto intermediate school to compete against 5th-8th graders along with other 4th grade winners from the other elementary schools. We are gearing up for a spelling bee in January as well.

On November 13th the Office of Emergency Management and Coordinators held a recycling assembly to gather and teach clean community. They learned about recycling.

On Tuesday November 20th, we will have Seek 911 assembly for 1st graders run by the Monmouth County Sherriff's department.

The last week of November, we will have conferences and also that Monday will start our book fair.

Conferences will run Tuesday through Friday. Thursday night will be late night conferences.

We will have our December winter concert on Tuesday the 4th at 6:30pm

Again on December 13th the Monmouth County Sherriff's Department will host an assembly called Dangers of Strangers assembly

On the last day of school before break - December 21st will be ugly sweater day and there will be a contest for the ugliest sweater.

We got our date for Lakewood Blue Claws. It will be Saturday June 22nd at 7:05pm

Teacher representative – Tia Smock – Thank you for a GREAT Paint-a-pumpkin night. The Halloween parade and parties were so much fun.

We followed that up with a fun Spirit day – wear your favorite hat day.

Thank you for the food bank collection. It was a huge success and we exceeded any of the other schools with 33 boxes of food.

Flyers for The Giving Tree went home today. We also have the toy drive, bingo night and book fair looking forward too as well.

Treasurer – Kelly Flammia – our current balance is \$22305.08

Please join shoparoo as we received \$235 from 2nd half of last year alone. We get two checks a year. Our PTA policy on return check fees \$20 is charged to the person with the returned check. PTA is not responsible.

We have a Teacher grant PTA program. The PTA will give \$50 per teacher with the correct form submitted. Ms. Smock will remind teachers of these grants.

We just wrote a check for \$895 for the Mine Time Assembly.

Fundraising – Mandy Smyth –

December 3rd will be a fundraiser to benefit our Science Fair at Chipotle where they give us 33% kickback.

January 11th will be a clothing drive – see flyer sent home from school.

January 14th – eat out at MJ's – mark your calendar now

Correspondence – Kelly Brand – Nothing this month

Membership – Colleen Jamison - Colleen will count all forms and give notification of class winners for the most memberships this week and they will win popcorn parties.

Spirit wear online store -delivery will be the week after Thanksgiving due to a delay in production. We have a new fundraiser of 2 new items. An Ocean “swell” style water bottles for \$15 and an Ocean drinking cup for \$12. They can be purchased at Family Bingo night tomorrow evening.

Paint-a-pumpkin night was a huge success with over 300 pumpkins sold and 170 kids in attendance. We usually lose money on this event but this year, we made about \$700 for PTA \$234 was from bake sale and \$441.50 for school store.

Family night Bingo is tomorrow 11/15. It is a free event from the PTA. We will be selling pizza \$2 a slice and snacks for \$1 each at our bake sale.

We would like to gather a group of members to help clean out the basement possibly in December but we will send out emails with details and sign ups for help.

The annual Holiday Shoppe with personalized supplies will be in December. Flyers will come home.

May 10th will be our big fundraiser at Renaissance in Ocean. Mark your calendars. We will need people on a committee to help. It will be a Horse themed event with alcohol and food along with an auction.

We switched yearbook vendors this year. They will be on sale January thru April. Last year, the cost was \$24. This year, it will be \$15. Jodi created a gmail account to send yearbook pictures too. dowaveyearbook@gmail.com. You CAN use cell phones to take pictures.

Please sign up for committees. We have sign up sheets out on tables.

Ms. Burnett needs book fair sign ups for the last week of November. She also needs parent volunteers once or twice a week to help her out.

Class parents and class parties – please reach out to teacher for input and communication. Send out emails to other class parents to help with supplies.

If you have any suggestions that you would like to bring up to the superintendant at the monthly meetings that Alix attends, you can write it down and submit it to her.

No December PTA meeting

Old Buisiness – none

New Buisiness – **none**

Meeting Adjourned