

## 2022-23 PTA Report Card

The PTA strives to enrich the education of PRES students, foster school and community spirit and build strong partnerships between teachers and parents.

### How Did We Allocate our Funds?

#### PTA Programming Highlights

**Curriculum Extension (CE)** The PTA funded nearly \$27,000 for enrichment programs and field trips across all grades, including transportation costs. We applied for and utilized an additional \$13,000 of funds from BOCES to run the programming. Highlights included:

#### Kindergarten

Trailside Nature Museum  
Sunny Day  
Sun and Stars  
Insects: Natures Architects  
Force Is with You  
Pete the Cat  
Meet the Animals  
Embryology Program  
Theater/Puppetry

#### 1st Grade

Traveling Planetarium  
Candle Making  
Living Math  
Turtles, Frogs, Toads, Snakes  
Embryology Program  
Pond Ecology and Nature Hike  
Wolves of North America

#### 2nd Grade

Erosion: Changing Face of Planet  
Horse Program  
Community Pop-Up Books  
Magic School Bus Solar System  
Power of Pollinators  
Journey of a Seed  
Decomposers

#### 3rd Grade

Pound Ridge Historical Tour  
Forces and Interactions: Beach Cleanup  
African Drumming and Dance  
Thinking through the Arts  
Embryology Program

#### 4th Grade

Pound Ridge Museum  
PR Reservation  
Native American Thanksgiving  
Energy Fueling Life  
Info waves  
Colonial Day  
Immigration Study  
Bedford Historical Tour  
John Jay Historical Museum - Virtual Class

#### 5th Grade

Owl Pellet  
Songwriter Workshop  
Boundless Adventures  
Slime Time  
Black History Month Busing  
Newton Day at the Park  
Dance Cavise Performances

#### **Assemblies**

Dr. Bell requested a new approach to assemblies that were student directed in the past. The PTA was able to support her initiative and bring Super Brady, RESPECT Spells Hip Hop, Kindness Quest, and Big Air BMX Show Assemblies to PRES.

#### **Reading Committee**

The PTA hosted two authors, Judy England-McCarthy and R.J. Palacio (virtual), and was able to bring books by each author into the classrooms and library at PRES prior to the events. We also held our 2nd Read-A-Thon.

#### **Field Day**

With the help of our school community and numerous parent volunteers, the PTA provided a fun day for all at PRES including a special grilled lunch from The Market for all the students and teachers.

#### **Cabaret Night, Art Festival, Science Fair, Student Social**

Our children showcased their talents at the annual Cabaret Night. We had a fantastic turnout for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Arts Festival with dinner donated by Coalhouse Pizza of Stamford. The students presented an amazing array of science experiments at the Science Fair. PRES families and our kindergarten students enjoyed a Popsicle social at the start of the school year.

#### **Garden Committee**

With the help of several extremely dedicated parent volunteers, students were given the opportunity to work together in the PRES community garden throughout the school year.

### **Movies in the Park, Truck or Treat, Trivia Night**

There are many fun events and initiatives the PRES PTA has implemented and invested in with your support. These events take place outside of school hours and involve hours of planning and amazing volunteer efforts.

### **Additional PTA Allocations**

#### **Teacher Classroom Allocations, Teacher Appreciation/Faculty Support**

Annually PRES staff receive a stipend for the purchase of additional classroom educational supplies. The PTA sponsors breakfast and coffee for all teachers and support staff during Teacher Appreciation Week.

#### **Hospitality and Staff Luncheons**

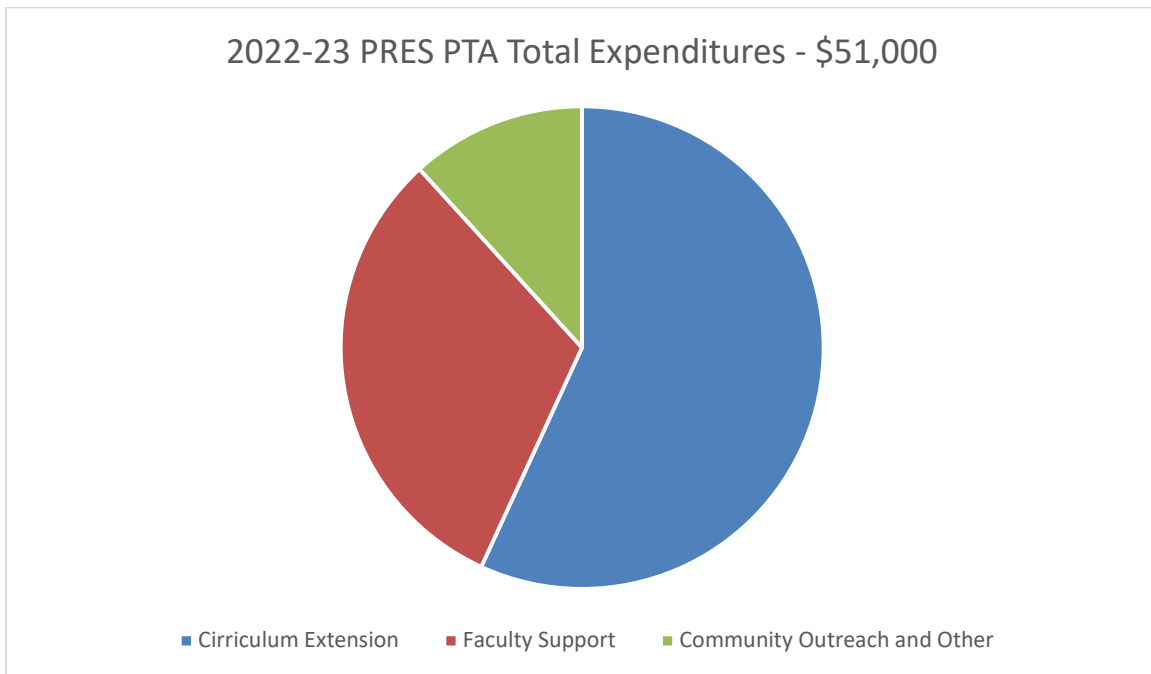
The PTA organized two catered staff luncheons during the October and March Parent-Teacher Conferences.

#### **Ottman Memorial Scholarships**

The PTA awarded two \$1,500 scholarships to FLHS graduating seniors and PRES alumni who met high academic and service standards.

#### **PTA Administration**

The PTA paid its annual liability insurance premium, software, and service fees for items such as the weekly e-note, student directory, tax returns, and PTA website.



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## How Did We Raise the Money?

### PTA Fundraising Efforts

#### **Auction/PTA Board Fundraising Events**

The PTA Board executed a number of initiatives to raise funds including the Spring Derby Gala, movies at PR Park, fall and winter flower sales, family mini-photo sessions, Halloween Fest, and the Read-a-Thon.

#### **PRIDE**

The PTA was happy to offer a wide selection of after-school enrichment programs.

#### **Basketball Bash**

PRES was fortunate to bring back and host the Harlem Wizards. This district-wide event allows PRES to extend our outreach and fundraising efforts to the entire BCSD community.

#### **PTA Membership/Direct Family Donations/Sponsorships**

PRES families and staff pay annual dues to join the PTA. Members can participate in PTA elections and register their children for PRIDE programs. The PTA received several very generous donations from our PRES families, and the community. Our community sponsors for the 2022-23 school year included Pound Ridge Cosmetic Dentistry, Key Bank and Albano Appliance.

#### **Book Fair**

The book fair contributes funds and books for our teachers. This event encourages a love of reading in our students.

#### **Yearbook/School Pictures**

Families purchase yearbooks in the spring highlighting the year's events. School photos are taken in the fall and provide additional funding and priceless mementos of elementary school days.

#### **Merchandise**

PRES merchandise is sold at various points throughout the year to raise funds and build school spirit.

