

General PTO Meeting

AGENDA

| Topic | Notes / Discussion |
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| Mr. Cook | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Happy New Year ● DARE visit for 5th graders last week ● Pet Therapy dog visits for younger students last week as well ● Yesterday was the Brain Show ● Thank you for understanding the new door process for an added layer of security. ● We have been flagged for chronic absenteeism for last year. 10% or more of the school building is absent for more than 10% of the school days. Mr. Cook has been tasked with coming up with a game plan to address this. A parent letter and survey will go out shortly explaining this and trying to understand why its so high. There is balance with addressing this, while still keeping kids home when they need to stay home and experiencing special once of a life time trips with families. If you know a long absence is coming up please speak with Mr. Cook. ● Multi Tiered Support Process to analyze student data ● NJSLA has been adjusted to an adaptive test for this school year, and will adjust as children answer questions, similar to I-ready. The school will prepare students for this change, without focusing too much on test prep ● |
| Ms. Edwards | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Its been a bad Flu season, especially Flu A. Before the holidays we had a significant number of students out. ● Please have your student stay home until symptoms are completely gone. ● Stomach bug has also been prevalent. |

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| <p>Family Reading Nights</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thursday January 22nd. 6:15 Pre-K-3rd grade families ● Not a drop off event ● Students will go from classroom to classroom enjoying stories from guest readers. ● Encouraged to come in their PJs ● Siblings are invited, as long as one sibling is in Pre-k-3rd ● Co sponsored by PTO and the WTEA ● Books will be distributed to students from Author's Day author. |
| <p>Horeb Has Heart</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thursday February 19th ● Charity event to benefit the American Heart Association ● DJ, Snacks, etc. It's a really fun night |
| <p>District Mom's Night Out</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● February 26th ● Sold out really fast. Apologies to those who did not get a spot. ● We tried to keep it local and there are maximums given by the restaurant, when we have tried bigger venues further away attendance has not been good. ● There is a wait list. ● |
| <p>International Day</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● March 19th-Thursday a full day event ● Mt. Horeb is transformed into an airport and kids travel from country to country. ● Toni-Ann has chaired for MANY years, Jen McCarey is helping this year. It's her last year so we need a new chair for next year. If anyone is interested please reach out to th PTO or TOni-Ann directly. Would be great for you to shadow her this year!!! ● An email will go out today to volunteers for a quick pre-meeting ● |
| <p>Snow Play Day Notification</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Cook emails parents the night before. ● Bring all snow gear to school, hats, gloves, snowpants boots ● Parents drop sleds on blacktop that morning before school- please label!! ● |

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| Lunch Volunteers | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● We need more volunteers, even if just an hour.● If this is your first time volunteering please take a look at the district volunteer training guide now linked on the signup genius, and print the last page and just bring to the main office on your first day.Volunteer Presentation● https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E49ACAC23A4FD0-61273414-mthor eb |
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