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PTA

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BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION CONTEST

Cut out Box Tops for Education labels (unexpired AND trimmed) and turn them in from Monday, September 29th through Friday, November 21 for our in-school contest! They can come from multiple products (click here for more info: <http://www.boxtops4education.com/participating-products>) and feel free to ask grandparents, friends and neighbors to contribute! eBoxTops and Bonus Box Tops also count.

Feel free to send in your Box Tops multiple times throughout the contest.

Put in a closed baggie or sealed envelope, and label it clearly with your child's GRADE and TEACHER.

The winning class will be awarded a popcorn party!

Box Tops for Education is Pleasant Hill's top-earning corporate incentive program -- it's like FREE money for our school! Our goal this year is to collect \$2,000. We can meet and exceed this goal together!

PTA Meeting Date Change

The PTA meeting scheduled to be held on November 18th has been changed to Monday, November 17th. The time will stand at 9:15 a.m. and the location is still TBD.



Order by October 18, 2014
Pick up October 22, 2014



Pleasant Hill PTA
for weekly updates

Up Coming Events

- 10/10 Run-A-Thon \$ Due
- 10/12 Coachlight Roller Skating Family FUNdraiser 5-7 p.m.
- 10/15 Reflections Projects due
- 10/20-10/24 Scholastic Book Fair
- 10/24 Run-A-thon Prize Day at Brunswick Zone!

Volunteer Opportunities (Full articles below **)

PTA Reflection Program **
Help is needed for a few hours from mid to late October. Please contact Judy Gallichio for more information at judyg27@comcast.net

ART SMARTS **
Please email Hillary Mann at hmann1826@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.

Book Fair **
Go to Volunteer Spot to sign up or contact Margi Terpstra at chicklet@sbcglobal.net.

PTA School Board Rep
If your interested in attending the School Board Meetings and reporting back to the PTA please contact Barb Marquardt barbaradi1@aol.com

Reflections Program

The Reflections Program is here for the 2014-2015 school year. Reflections is the National PTA Arts Program that asks students to GET CREATIVE!

The theme this year is "**The world would be a better place if...**"

Reflection project categories include:

- *Dance Choreography
- *Musical Composition
- *Photography
- *Visual Arts
- *Literature
- *Film Production

There are rules that go along with each category within the Reflections Program. Please take a moment to go to <http://www.illinoispta.org/reflections.html> to read the detailed rules and to print an entry form. An entry form must be attached to each art piece/composition.

Deadline for entries is OCTOBER 15, 2014. A collection bin will be located in the school office.

***Please consider volunteering your time and talents to the PTA Reflection Program. Time commitment is minimal. Help is needed for a few hours from mid October to late October. Help involves organizing entries, filling in missing information and preparing entries for judging. Please contact Judy Gallichio for more information at judyg27@comcast.net

All entries will be recognized by the Pleasant Hill Elementary PTA.

2014 Runathon Update

Students did a GREAT job of running their hearts out at the Runathon on Thursday!

Thank you to all who volunteered to make the day a success. Thank you to also to Mrs. Holtquist and Ms. Ortiz for preparing the kids and setting up for the big day!

We're not done yet!!! **PLEASE HELP YOUR CHILD COLLECT PLEDGES.** Be sure your child's envelope is completely filled in so that they will receive credit for their hard work. Also, please double check the computation of the pledge money before turning it in.

Important Dates:

October 10th- PLEDGE MONEY DUE!!!!!!

October 20th- Winners announced and gift cards sent home

October 24th- Brunswick Zone Day for TOP FIVE winning teams

Thank you!

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October Family FUNdraiser

Coachlight Skate Center
1291 Bryn Mawr
Roselle, Illinois

Time: Sunday, October 12, 2014
5 to 7 p.m.

Fees: \$4 Admission Fee per person
\$2 Regular Skate Rental
\$4 Inline or Speed Skate Rental

Exclusive Event!

Rink is open only to
participants of PH
PTA FUNdraiser.

Flyer required.

Customer owned skates....

May NOT BE WORN into or out of the building.
Must be clean of any dirt and be in good repair.
May NOT have any sharp edges or extruding nuts or bolts.

**BOOK
FAIR**
COMING SOON!

Mark your calendar...
Pleasant Hill's Scholastic Book Fair
October 20th - October 24th

Book Fair Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:05 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:05 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday: 9:05 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Students must be accompanied by an adult during non-school hours.

Wednesday, October 22nd is FAMILY NIGHT - 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Families who attend Family Night may enter their name in our raffle for a chance to win a free book! We look forward to seeing you at the book fair!

More book fair information will be coming home, including information about ordering the latest Diary of a Wimpy Kid book and how to donate to the All for Books program!!

If you would like to volunteer for the book fair, please go to Volunteer Spot to sign up or contact Margi Terpstra at chicklet@sbcglobal.net.

Please sign up for Scholastic Book Fair - here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/PqApcD>
2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - you will receive an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Margi Terpstra and she can sign you up manually.



LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!

FOOD DRIVE – ALL WEEK OCTOBER 20 – 24th

Hello, again, Pleasant Hill families! Wheaton is honoring Make-A-Difference Day with “stuff a truck” donation campaigns all over town. We would like to see if our school can collect enough personal care and healthy food items to **STUFF A TRUCK** in support of our friends at Interfaith Food Pantry. We will hold a **WEEK LONG** drive in **October** to meet that challenge!

Will your classroom take home ***The Great Pumpkin?***

The pantry is thankful for our help in filling their requests for personal care items such as:

- **BAR SOAP**
- **SHAMPOO**
- **TOOTHPASTE AND BRUSHES**
- **GENERAL HYGIENE ITEMS**
- **CLEANING ITEMS**

As always, **HEALTHY CEREAL, FRESH FRUITS & VEGGIES, PASTA, CRACKERS, RICE, LOW-SODIUM CANNED VEGETABLES AND FRUITS** are also needed and appreciated!

In addition to bringing in items to the classrooms, you will have an opportunity to **bring in FOOD DRIVE items to the BOOK FAIR**...there will be a special raffle for items brought to the Book Fair with (10) chances to win a ***special*** token!

BRING IN YOUR DONATIONS OCT 20 - 24!

Thank you so much for your support and generosity!

Our first food & personal products drive was FANTASTIC! We collected over 1,200 items for Interfaith Food Pantry - that is almost 30% more than last September! Thank you all so much for lending a **HELPING HAND** to our community! As a group, the kindergarteners carried in the most items and they should all be patted on the back - WAY TO GO little friends!

The following classrooms will receive this month's **HELPING HAND** token:

Berringer, Blenderman, Sender, Youngblood AM & PM, Powell, Olson, Ingbretson Lather & Murphy :), Maiste

You all deserve round of applause - take a bow! - The Food Drive Committee



ART SMARTS Volunteers Needed!

Art Smarts is a fun way to share a bit of art appreciation a few times a year in your child's class - No art knowledge needed! Art Smarts volunteers visit the classroom 4-5 times throughout the year with a brief presentation about famous artists or art styles - THE PRESENTATIONS ARE ALREADY PREPARED - and then lead the students in a simple art project based on the lesson.

Volunteers are still needed for the following classes:

Kindergarten - Blenderman AM

1st grade - Kearney; Bab; Powell

2nd grade - Williams

5th grade - Beth; Caravello

Please email Hillary Mann, committee chair, at hmann1826@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.

Join the Pleasant Hill PTA today!

Go to the Pleasant Hill PTA website at: <http://www.cusd200.org/domain/1343>

Click on "Membership" in the left hand column to print forms.

Paper Directories and the Directory App will be coming out soon! Both are included with your PTA membership.

