

East Fairhaven Elementary School

PTO NEWSLETTER

December 2009

**We want to wish all of the East Fairhaven School families a very
Happy Holiday and a Joyful New Year!**

SCHOOL WEBSITE

The PTO is now posting all of our information on the school's website. Go to fairhavenps.org to see what is going on with the PTO and to see information about all of the classrooms at East Fairhaven Elementary School.

SPIRIT DAYS

Our next Spirit Day is Friday, December 18th. It's Mix Match Day!

◆◆◆ ATTENTION 5th GRADERS ◆◆◆

Pictures of students dressed up for Spirit Days will be a large part of your yearbook. Therefore, we encourage all of you to dress up for our Spirit Days! We look forward to seeing you all in your PJs!

LITTLE ELVES WORKSHOP

We look forward to seeing everybody at The Little Elves Workshop on Friday December 11th from 6pm to 8pm.

Various activities and crafts will be set up around the cafeteria for the students to enjoy.

Please remember to bring a canned food item.

All the items that we collect will be donated to the Shepherd's Food Pantry to help those in need.

We will be decorating for the Little Elves Workshop on Thursday December 10th at 6:00.

Please come help if you can!

COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

The cookie Dough will arrive on Thursday, December 17th, and it can be picked up between 4:00 & 6:00. We need volunteers to help separate & organize the orders from 2:00-4:00, and we need volunteers to help hand out the orders from 4:00 to 6:00. If you can help during either of these times, please contact Rebecca.

STOP & SHOP A+ BONUS BUCKS PROGRAM

With A+ BonusBucks, points accrue with each purchase where the Stop & Shop Card is used. It even works with purchases made online with Peapod. At the end of each month, these points determine the school's cash total which is automatically credited to the school's account. To register your card, go to the Stop & Shop website (stopandshop.com). Go to "Our Stores" and then to the A+ program.

EAT OUT NIGHTS

Take a night off from cooking and earn money for East Fairhaven School at the same time!

On **Thursday December 10th**, use one of the coupons that was sent home when you eat at or order takeout from Unos. Part of the price of your meal (15%-20%) will be returned to the school.

On **Thursday December 17th**, use one of the coupons that was sent home when you eat at or order takeout from Papa Ginos. Part of the price of your meal (20%) will be returned to the school.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We will be sending a separate notice home to all parents asking for volunteers to run after school clubs. Remember, we need you to volunteer to make the after school clubs a success.

PROVIDENCE BRUINS FAMILY NIGHT

Friday, January 29th will be a discounted Family Fun Night at the Providence Bruins for East Fairhaven School families. Be on the look out for more information about this fun night!

TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCH

The PTO will be providing an Appreciation Lunch on Wednesday December 16th to thank the teachers for all of their hard work. Riccardi's will be catering the lunch. If you would be willing to donate drinks or desserts, please contact Bethany.

PIG RACE

The Pig Race was a great success this year. Each class reached a sales goal in the Meadow Farms Fundrasier at the beginning of the year, so they were all awarded a fuzzy, wiggly, electronic pig. The classes named their pigs and then raced them against the other classes in their grades. The winners from each grade competed in a final race against other grades.

Purple Piggy from Mrs. Kennedy's 2nd grade class was the winner from grades Pre-K through 2nd.

Sprite from Mrs. Mattos' 5th grade class was the winner from grades 3rd through 5th.

The winners will be given a pizza party and a classroom prize.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the winners and to all of the participants.

STAPLES REWARDS PROGRAM

If you have any empty computer printer ink cartridges (any size), please bring them to the school. They are being collected in a box right outside the office. We will turn the ink cartridges in at Staples each month, and then we will receive a check from them that we can use for school supplies. We have already earned a total of \$90 that we can spend at Staples! Thank you to all who have already donated their empty ink cartridges.

BOX TOPS & LABELS FOR EDUCATION

We are continuing to collect Box Tops and Labels for Education. Get your Box Tops in now. They are due by December 14th. The three classrooms who collect the most Box Tops will receive a surprise!

Please check the expiration dates on the Box Tops.

PTO MEETING PRIZES

The gift card winner at this meeting was pre-school teacher Mrs. Barao, and the ice cream party winner was Mrs. Carney's 2nd grade class.

PTO MEETINGS

The PTO voted to change January's meeting to the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 in the cafeteria. Babysitting will be provided in the gym.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Tuesday January 12, 2010.

We want to hear all of your ideas and opinions!

If you cannot attend the meetings, please look for the PTO Newsletter that will follow each meeting, and feel free to contact us at any time with your input.

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