

East Fairhaven Elementary School

PTO NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2010

Happy New Year!
We want to wish everyone a happy & healthy 2010!!

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.

MARDI GRAS PARTY

The PTO will be hosting a Mardi Gras Party on Friday, February 26th from 6-8pm. There will be tables set up around the cafeteria with various crafts for the kids to do. We will also have some entertainment at the party.

We need volunteers to help with this event.

If you are able to help, please contact Bethany at (508)789-8147 or mrspic51300@aol.com.

We will also be collecting items for Gifts to Give at the door. Gifts to Give is located in New Bedford, and they help connect children from poor or low-income families with the basic essentials. Right now, they are in need of socks, underwear, and toiletries for kids up to 18 years old.

Please donate whatever you can to help children in our area who are in need.

VICE-PRESIDENT POSITION

The PTO is currently looking for someone to fill the position of Vice-President.
Please contact Rebecca at (508)826-7672 or beckhs@hotmail.com if you are interested.

PIE FUNDRAISER

Look for the Pie Fundraiser Order Forms, which will be sent home on Friday, January 22nd.

Order some yummy pies to share with your family and friends over the Easter holiday.

The order forms need to be returned by Monday, February 8th to guarantee delivery before Easter.

CHOCOLATE LOLLIPOP SALE

The Yearbook Committee will be sponsoring a Chocolate Lollipop sale for Valentine's Day.

Students can purchase a lollipop to be delivered to their friends and teachers or brought home to their family as a Valentine's Day treat. A flyer about this will be sent home soon.

STOP & SHOP A+ BONUS BUCKS PROGRAM

REGISTER YOUR STOP & SHOP CARD AND EARN MONEY FOR EAST FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL!!

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.

COLORING CONTEST

The PTO is sponsoring a Valentine's Day Coloring Contest in February. Each grade will have it's own coloring sheet. Teachers may have students work on them in class, or students can work on them at home. A winner from each grade will be chosen by East Fairhaven School Staff Members, and each winner will receive a gift of art supplies from the PTO. We are looking forward to seeing some great artwork from the EFS students!

LITTLE ELVES WORKSHOP

The Little Elves Workshop was a great success. We want to thank all of the parents, teachers, & 5th grade students who volunteered and helped to make the night a success!

We also want to thank the families that donated food to our collection. We were able to make a nice donation to the Shepherd's Food Pantry that will help those in need.

TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCH

The Teacher Appreciation Lunch in December was a great success! The teachers were thrilled to be treated to a lunch from Riccardis. They also loved the treats that parents provided.

Thank you to the parents who provided desserts and drinks!

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.

Thank you to all who have already donated their empty ink cartridges.

BOX TOPS & LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Thank you for sending in your Box Tops!

We received a check from Box Tops for Education in the amount of \$1367.20. That accounts for all of the Box Tops that we mailed in between April and October of 2009.

VOTES

The PTO voted to provide Mrs. Nogueira with a rocking chair that will assist a student.

PTO MEETING PRIZES

The gift card winner at this meeting was 5th grade teacher Mrs. Mattos, and the ice cream party winner was Mrs. Gubler's 2nd grade class.

PTO MEETINGS

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Tuesday February 2, 2010.

Dr. Baldwin will be attending.

Babysitting will be provided in the gym.

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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