

Smithtown Elementary PTA Meeting Agenda
February 15, 2022 @ 7pm Zoom

Treasurer's Report:

- Current standing: \$19,418 in account
- Most recent payment for author Dan Guttman
- Deposit from Box Tops
- Outstanding check-Council Dues

Principal's Report:

- Thank you to the PTA for the Valentine's Day Philly Pretzel Factory Pretzels! The teachers all enjoyed them and were touched by the gesture.
- Acts of Kindness Week is this week. Acts of Kindness are announced over the morning announcements and students who perform these acts are rewarded with stars. Student's love hearing the acts of kindness on the announcements. If a class earns 13 stars, they earn a prize such as extra recess.
- Due to weather recess has been mostly indoors however if it isn't too cold, students have been going on walks and using sidewalk chalk.
- Thank you to the PTA for hosting a wonderful blood drive. Fun fact-1 pint of blood can save 3 lives and we had 43 viable donors.
- Souper Bowl food drive was a huge success! There were boxes lining the hallways.
- Photo people have been coming in to take photos of new students or students who missed having their pictures taken. Pictures will be used for the yearbook.
- Next week is Mid-Winter Recess. Everyone is looking forward to some much-needed rest and relaxation.
- Little Doctors came in the week before the Blood Drive. Students made posters and asked for donors to sign up. The class with the most donors signed up were rewarded with extra recess.
- The fifth-grade concert was amazing! Students should be proud of their behavior since they were in a new environment with very little practicing. Huge success given it was one of the first in person events in years!
- SEL is working on the 5th grade play and bringing back other well-loved traditions. Information for such events will be communicated at a later date.

Teacher's Report-Mrs. Pelosi

- Thank you for the delicious pretzels! So many of the teachers enjoyed them.
- Kindergarten: They are currently learning about February holidays and number bonds.
- 1st: They are currently learning about graphing, glue sounds and animal adaptations.
- 2nd: they are currently learning about the solar system, adding and subtracting with three digits, erosion and researching/taking notes.
- 3rd: They are currently learning about Area and how to write fiction.
- 4th: They are currently learning about colonial trades by creating help wanted ads.
- 5th: They are currently learning operations with fractions and robotics.

President's Report:

- The Blood Drive was a success!! Learned we had a better turnout than expected. Thanks to all who donated.

- Kindergarten orientation is underway.
 - Sign up virtually and through email.
There is a form on the PTA website and the district website which needs to be completed to register for kindergarten orientation. We will still be utilizing the bus.
- Search for the nominating committee.
 - Email to come. 2 members from the board and 3 members of the PTA will assist in determining next year's Executive Board. There will be movement within the board and the Treasurer position will be vacant.
- Family Connect Night is this Thursday 2/17.
 - Support Accomsett Middle School and go to Mickey Ice Cream in St. James.
 - We will be having a fundraiser there in April on Family Connect Night. Stay tuned for the date.
- The 5th grade yearbook desperately needs ads!
 - Only half of the class has completed them. Every 5th grader receives a ¼ of a page for FREE.
 - They are in need of baby pics and pictures of students with their pets. Students do not have to purchase a yearbook to complete an ad.
- Souper Bowl was a huge success!
 - SEL donated 10 boxes of soup and non-perishables to the JCC in Commack. The JCC Food Bank is open to anyone and you do not have to be a member or live in the community.
- Kindness Week is happening this week.
 - Tomorrow is small deeds, Thursday-Thank Your Teacher, Friday- SEL Spirit
- SEPTA is sponsoring Cookie Fraction Cookie Kits.
 - Includes 4 cookies to decorate and a link to a you tube video. Orders must be in by 2/22. Delivery by 3/7.
- Sports Night is Thursday 3/3.
 - Order forms were due yesterday. Hand in forms ASAP.
 - 200 students are currently pre-registered which is more than half the school!
 - Teams will be made this week and parents will receive an email with their child's team by Friday or Saturday. If you do not receive an email, the Main Office will also have the list.
- School supplies for next year will be delivered directly to your child's classroom. No need to pick them up before school starts anymore.
- Polar Bear Plunge is Saturday, March 5th in Long Beach
- Next year's calendar was approved by the BOE and was released. It can be found on the PTA website as well as the District Website.
- We have a new vendor for spirit wear. The link can be found on the website along with any offers and specials.
- Remind App information can be found on the PTA Website.
- Next BOE meeting: March 8th at 8PM
- Next PTA meeting: March 15th at 7PM VIA ZOOM