

Smithtown Elementary PTA Meeting

Agenda

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

- Pledge
- Welcome

- Treasurer's Report - \$20,300 at end of September (net up \$800)
 - Plant sale in October revenue

- Principal's Report
 - Thank you for the decorations and scarecrows!
 - There is an animal shelter drive with one of the scarecrows.
 - Smithtown E had a bit of an increase in cases but much less quarantining. Thank you for your patience with children getting sent home with symptoms.
 - Please speak with your children about portraying their symptoms accurately. Some parents think their children might have exaggerated their symptoms to go home.
 - Parade letter - Mrs. Lavery did not mean not to wear COVID masks. That is optional because it is outside. She is asking for no costume type masks.
 - Trunk-o-Treat - There is excitement in the air!
 - 5th grade bagel breakfast - The students were so grateful and so happy to be returning to some kind of normalcy.
 - Parent question about quarantine and testing - What if your child had COVID in the past and has symptoms later on but tests positive from past experience? Can an antibody test be presented? Mrs. Lavery - If symptoms exist, either a test or a 10 day quarantine is necessary.
 - Clubs -
 - Mrs. Lavery sent an email out last week about SEL Co-Curricular Clubs. There is a letter about clubs and the registration link is at the bottom of the letter. Fill out the form separately for each club sign-up.
 - Mr. Jenkins and Mrs. Wagner - Their clubs will start next week.
 - Mrs. Lavery kept sign-up open for another few days to get more kids involved.
 - You will hear from the club advisors soon with dates.

- Teacher's Report - Mrs. Furman
 - Kindergarten - They are busy making new friends. They are looking forward to the parade and red ribbon week. - Thank you to PTA!
 - 2nd - They are working on research, paragraphs, learning about emus, fall, place value, and PLTW.
 - 3rd - They are learning multiplication facts. They are writing stories from a pumpkin's point of view In science, they are working with VEX kits.
 - 4th - They finished reading *The Secret Garden* and writing friendly letters and narratives. They are learning place value, multi step problems. In PLTW, they are learning about potential and kinetic energy working with pendulums.
 - 5th - The bagel breakfast and t-shirt design went well. Everyone wants to thank the committee and custodial staff!

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- Council Delegate Report - Bond vote 120 million to help facilities and programs for our children

President's Report

- Ralphs Ice Fundraiser success- \$212
- Fall Plant Sale- \$1547 net profit.
- Scarecrows should all now be up! (Need to come down 11/1)
 - Pet Donations- see flyer on FB or Remind app
- Membership Push- September \$25 Gift Card to Nino's- winner is: Jennifer Sormani
- October Membership drive- winner to receive a Thanksgiving Pie
- 5th Grade T-Shirt Info Contest & Bagel Breakfast was Friday 10/15
 - T-shirt Design Winner: Nathan Mikolajuk
- Upcoming Events:
 - Trunk or Treat 10/22- Lots of Volunteers Needed- Sign-up sheet on website
 - We still need trunks! We have 15 trunks now but can always have more!!
 - Candy & Toilet Paper Donations Needed
 - Red Ribbon week starts Monday 10/25 - Calendar was sent home with daily themes.
 - Picture Day 10/27 (k-2/RISE), 10/28 (3-5)
 - Mrs. Rosella had a conflict - They will take pictures on 10/28 with grades 3-5.
 - Scope Science morning program starts 10/29
 - There is additional information on the PTA website. Mrs. O'Hara is the advisor.
 - Book Fair 11/4 & 11/5 - In person - Scholastic has an eWallet now. Information will go home soon. Cash and check can still be used.
 - Thanksgiving Pie & Bread Fundraiser going on NOW!
 - Orders are due back 11/10.
 - The pies and breads are from White Post Farms.
 - Safe Halloween at HSW 10/29 - 4:00-6:00
 - No School for students 11/2- Superintendent's Conference Day
 - No School 11/11 - Veterans Day
 - Holiday Plant Sale will begin in November - poinsettias, wreaths, kissing balls
- Spirit Wear Promo - The vendor is having major supply issues. They put a hold on ordering temporarily. If anyone is having problem with receiving orders, please let Robin or Gina know to contact the company.
- PTA Website (smithtownpta.org)- tons of information/ all flyers and forms
- Remind App: text @68dkk3 to 81010
- Amazon Smile - Search **PTA New York Congress 005-181 Smithtown Elem School PTA**

Next BOE meeting will be **Tuesday 10/26 8pm**

Next PTA Meeting will be **Tuesday 11/16-7pm Virtual**