**Notes from October 2, 2024 PTA Meeting**

Mrs. O’Shea Update

Encourage all parents to read the monthly newsletter that comes out which has a lot of information

Parentsquare has a lot of information, but if you see something from Marvin or teachers, please pay attention to those

Spoke about why we use Parentsquare vs. other forms of communications. The district would like us to go virtual and no paper handouts, Mrs. O’Shea is clarifying what this looks like.

Officer Updates

Treasurer

We are working on moving all of our money from Wells Fargo to Fairfield County Bank.

We have around $12000 in savings and about $40000 in our checking. We do owe $30000 for the kindergarten playground.

Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who came out to kick off our mobil gas station and subway sandwich fundraiser on Saturday, the 28th. All month long, you can fill your gas tank up at mobil and buy footlong sandwiches and a portion of the proceeds will go right back to our school

We having our family photo session fundraiser coming up on October 19 (October 20 is the rain date). Here is the link to register:

The $25 session fee goes to our school and if you want to purchase photos for $10 from the photographer directly. She will send a gallery for you to choose from.

We are also launching an online raffle on November 1 with a variety of prizes including experiences as well. More information will go out about that soon as we launch this.

Communications/Yearbook

We have picture day on October 9 and we are starting to work on the yearbook

Fifth graders get to help design the cover in a cover contest that Mrs. Tolboe our art teacher runs and the PTA donates a free yearbook to every fifth grader.

We will also be sending out information regarding ads you can purchase later on in the year. This is great to send off 5th graders who are moving on to middle school.

Sunshine Committee

Continuing to offer birthday cakes every other month for our staff

We also have an Amazon wishlist that we published to stock the staff lounge if you’re interested in donating anything, here is the link:

Enrichment

Working on getting assemblies together for the different grades

Looking at a puppet show, an author visit, and the bubble man

Upcoming dates

This week – we are finishing up our book fair this Friday, which is the last day. There will be another one in the spring.

October 9 – picture day

October 18 – we will be hosting an outdoor movie night where we will show The Nightmare Before Christmas and will have free popcorn. Just bring a blanket and/or chairs to sit on. Flyers went home and information is on marvinpta.com

October 19 – family photo session, see above for information

October 25 – trunk or treat, register to decorate a trunk and hand out candy or donate candy: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CA5AF2CAAFF2-51482999-marvin#/>

November 5 – the 5th graders will be hosting an Election Day Bake Sale, more information will be sent out

November 7 – next PTA meeting will be hybrid again, you will have the option for virtual and in person with pizza and activities for the kids who come