November 9, 2014

Dear Quest Families,

The school year is off to a great start and it is hard to believe that it is almost the end of the first trimester. As we prepare for the remainder of the year we have begun to plan for the Boston trip this spring.

We have a rough draft of the field trip available to you. At this point, we are planning on a day trip. The day trip will include a coach bus to Boston, a walk on the Freedom Trail, a choice of the Aquarium or the Boston Museum of Science (with Imax theatre), and dinner at Pizzeria Uno on the way home.

A day trip, including dinner, will cost us around $3300. With 34 students in the class that will mean that we need each student to raise an average of $90. This is assuming that chaperones will need to pay for their meal and admission to the museum. At this time, we are planning on our trip for June 5th, although we will await administration approval for that date.

The PTO has changed the way the fundraisers will work this year. 100% of all profits raised by the Quest Team students will go directly to our class. To keep everyone informed of the profits per item we wanted to include that information.

Laughing Moon Chocolate bars for sale $10. Profit $5.50 each.
Buy Local Coupon Books for sale $20. Profit $10 each.
Evergreen Gardens
Wreaths for sale $23. Profit $7 each.
Poinsettia $13.25 each or 3 for $38.Profit $4.50 each / $11.75 for 3.

The one and only time the PTO will be organizing a fundraiser for this year will start on October 31 and end on November 19. Students have received their forms. The PTO will receive the above items at a discount and that is how they are able to make the profit margin that they do. Many of these items are available for a retail price of what we will be selling them for. More information and order sheets went home with your child October 31, 2014. This information will also be available on the CBMS website on the PTO fundraising page.

If you would prefer not to fundraise we would gladly take any donations and apply them to our trip.

At the end of the fundraiser we will apply all profits to our expected expenses and determine what our next course of action will be. If we have raised everything that we need great! If we are come up short we will need to come up with the rest as a team. That may mean further fundraisers or a suggested donation.

We strongly encourage you to use this fundraiser as a method of raising money for our trip. All other fundraising plans will need to come out of class time.

Thank-you for your support and to the PTO for their fundraising efforts!

Sincerely,
Melissa Williams, Curtis Taylor,
Diane LaRock and the PTO