

PTO Community Meeting, 12.13.23

- Introductions
- Cookie decorating certificates:
 - Creative crumbles
 - Least amount of frosting
 - Most sprinkles
 - Most festive cookie
 - Most creative cookie
 - Best overall cookie
- Feedback on past events
 - Bookfair
 - Didn't actually need everybody CORI-ed; only if alone CORI is needed OR working alone
 - Pancake breakfast
 - People had fun
 - Huge success
 - Lots of people there
 - Maybe put together a folder of everything that worked well
 - More kid involvement?
 - Maybe too much food even
 - Destination planned ahead of time for where to bring extra food
 - Too much milk, not enough plates
 - We could get our milk ourselves, or even the pancake mix so the ingredients are universal
 - We got bill for 8 hours for police detail
 - We can send an email to the city explaining that we canceled this
 - Katie will follow up
 - We went through 150 plates
 - We need to update what we need
 - Permits needed because of dark & cars
 - Ice cream social (because of dark)
 - Trunk or treat (because of cars)
 - Should check out liability issues & risk of getting sued
- Volunteer opportunities
 - Break bonanza
 - Dec 22nd during school day: during specials, all kids go down to cafeteria and they get to participate in activities; pre-determined stations but also open to other stations – everybody needs to be CORI-ed

- Activities have to be appropriate for grades K-5
- Clubs T/Th 8 – 8:50am Fitness and mindfulness & yoga club
 - Indoors
 - Need volunteers, 6 weeks; you can volunteer for 1 or some of the weeks, or Tuesday or Thursday
 - Would need to come a few minutes early; no experience necessary
 - Jessica will program it all but is looking for good energy + extra hands
 - At 8:50 kids can enter the building, until then they are the club's liability
- King of Hearts Dance
- 5th grade committee
 - Liz & Matt are running it
 - Volunteer opps coming via a link, for tie-dye day, potluck dinner, yearbook club, end of year trip, etc.
- Drama Club is starting for grades 3-5, starting in January
- PTO needs to check about insurance status
 - Jessica and Maryellen will look into this
- Fundraising for the rest of the year? How do we get to our goal?
 - Ultimate Lion Challenge – some feedback that it comes really fast
 - Maynard arts place – arts pottery sale; really low effort; they give 15% back to school
 - Chipotle night or Mad Willie's (local place)
 - Do Thursdays so that teachers can order for their own lunch for the Chipotle day/night
 - Start it at 1pm so teachers can order
- Share ideas for how PTO can support students, families, teachers and enhance the school community
 - People are more willing to read the teacher's email than SMORE
 - Having teacher's email list could be helpful
 - Maybe make the special information translated personally by the staff! Rely less on Google translate. Keep it short and simple.
 - Specific cultural events that could be incorporated into PTO events?
 - Using whatsapp to recruit
- SAVE THE DATE! Next PTO Meeting – Jan 10, 6:30pm @ JACK'S ABBY (adults only) – we'll buy pizzas but drinks are on individual people.