

**Welcome:** PTO Board:

Alicia Haas - Co-President

Susan Vassiliou - Co-President

Dustinne Swim - Clubs and Activities

Julie Russo - Treasurer

Elaina King - Communications

Kate Campbell - Fundraising

Katie Mangano - Secretary

**Attendees:** Zoom attendees

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** Jessica Mitchell & Aimee Krauss

**REVIEW OF BUDGET:** Alicia Haas (stepping in for Julie Russo tonight)

**BUDGET APPROVAL:** Jessica Mitchell & Allie Mackiewicz

**PRINCIPAL REPORT:**

- \* Kindergarten Registration is under way,
- \* Smarter Balance Testing April 28 - May 9
- \* Field Day May 29 with a rain date of May 30
- \* Kindergarten and 5th Grade Promotion dates to come

**NEW Business:**

- ONE BOOK, ONE SCHOOL - We will be planting our "Wish Tree", on Strong School property, Tuesday, 4/22/25. Thank you to Ali's Nursery for donating our Wish Tree!
- Book Fair scheduled for May 12 - 16. Look out for sign up genius right after break.
- Talent Show: Friday, April 25th. Rehearsal will be Wednesday, April 23rd. Open to 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders. Please fill out the Google Forms if you are attending! There will be a performance during the day on April 25 (during school hours) as well as the Friday evening show! FOOD DONATIONS AT THE DOOR!
- Teacher Appreciation Week: Under the Sea theme for our "Fin-tastic staff!" May 5th - 9th. Room parents - you will be e-mailed the forms, schedule of events and

sign up genius links to then pass along to your class for teacher appreciation week.

Monday - "Fishing for Compliments" - Kindness fish to be sent home.

Tuesday - "Dive into the Day" - Breakfast provided to the teachers. (Some donations will be requested via sign-up genius)

Wednesday - "Message in a Bottle" - Hand out provided to write a special note to your teacher.

Thursday - "Thanks for being Jawsome" - teachers to stop in for a bite, lunch provided by Walsh's in Wolcott.

Friday - "Beach Day" Visit the snack shack for treats and water bar. Beach snacks and flavored water will be available.

- TRAVELING SPLASH! - In our School office, we have a laminated Splash that kids can pick up and then take with them on vacation! The PTO wants to see your pictures and where Splash is visiting!
- Don't forget to "Splash" a friend, decorate someones lawn with Dolphin signs to make them feel special! \$20 per Splash.
- FIELD DAY WILL BE MAY 29, 2025 (Rain date of May 30) — DETAILS TO FOLLOW in the next month! Dunk tank and obstacle course have been booked! Blackies will be providing lunch. With our fundraising we were able to book a Dippin Dots truck for the big day! (Dairy free and nut-free options will be available) Permission slips will be going home for all food items.
- Family Engagement Committee - In the midst of organizing. Looking for 5 teachers and 5 parents to help brainstorm new ideas, and learning for Strong Elementary School. Please e-mail Julie Russo if you are interested in joining the committee! [jrusso.strongpto@gmail.com](mailto:jrusso.strongpto@gmail.com)
- KARATE club is back! Will start the Monday after Spring Break for 4 weeks. Please fill out the google form to participate.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Please be on the lookout for sign- up geniuses:**

\*\*\* Little Shoppers Chair to assist /c shopping, tagging and organizing

\*\*\* YEARBOOK COMMITTEE Chair person or multiple people

**YEARBOOK UPDATE:**

\* Books are NOW ON SALE! A parent square will be sent out Friday, 4/11/25. On sale through 4/25/25 - Books are \$22, but free to our graduating 5th grade students.

- Please send in any sports or activities related photos! ONLY STRONG SCHOOL students. Send to [katharine.doyle@yahoo.com](mailto:katharine.doyle@yahoo.com)
- IN NEED OF A YEARBOOK COORDINATOR for NEXT YEAR! Please e-mail [strongschoolPTO@gmail.com](mailto:strongschoolPTO@gmail.com) if you are interested. This can be one or multiple people!

**Open Floor: NA**

**Next Meeting:** VIRTUAL MEETING Thursday, May 15, 2025 @ 8:30 pm

**[StrongschoolPTO@gmail.com](mailto:StrongschoolPTO@gmail.com)**