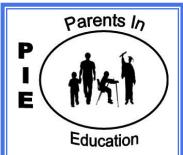
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## **PIE Newsletter**



To learn more about Pie's Mission, our Board Members, how you can be involved, and a listing of upcoming events, missed a meeting and want to view the Meeting Minutes: Visit our website at frcspie.weebly.com

Room Parent Communication Tips/Resources

Like us on Facebook: FRCS Parents In Education

Not Sure Who Your Room Parent is? Contact: parentsineducation @yahoo.com Please note: this is meant to be an electronic resource as there are a few links included.

### PIE HAS A CURE FOR THAT CABIN FEVER

Dear Families,

It's fair to say by now most of us have grown weary with the mounds of snow isolating us from our neighbors and are so ready for sunshine and the smells of Spring! While it may be a while before we see green grass again, the school calendar marches on fast and furious. Below is a list of both educational and family fun events we plan to sponsor, be involved in or support with volunteers over the next couple months. Before you take a look, I wanted to let you know how much we appreciate the level of volunteerism within PIE this year. We encourage those who have not yet attended a PIE meeting to do so or share you ideas via email. Everyone has a voice at the table. There are well thought out reasons behind every decision we make as a group, why some ideas are discussed and not carried out to completion; why and how we disburse funding or even why we may change the name of an event. PIE is dedicated to carrying out our mission throughout the year. All of us who have and will invest time, talent and resources are doing so for the benefit of our children. So please consider joining us to continue to provide the best well-rounded education possible here at FRCS! Read on for more details on the following pages, watch Room Parent emails to sign up or contact us at parentsineducation@yahoo.com.

- March 20<sup>th</sup> Divas Under the Sea Dance for K-5 girls and their dad, grandfather or special someone
- March 25<sup>th</sup> Provide snacks for teachers and staff during Staff Mtg.
- Month of April Hang Artwork for Art Show on May 28<sup>th</sup>
- April 11th Regional Spanish Spelling Bee
- April 30th National Honor Society Induction
- May 6<sup>th</sup> Staff Appreciation Lunch
- May 18-22 & 27<sup>th</sup> 8-3pm Dress Code Clothing Swap during Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Screening
- May 28<sup>th</sup> Music Concert
- June 13<sup>th</sup> Founder's Day
- TBD Field Day
- Ongoing Box Tops Collection/Contest

Kathy Montal
PIE Interim President

## **Upcoming Events**



## Diva's Under the Sea Dance with your Father, Grandfather or Special Someone

Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 8:30pm, Gymnasium

For K-5<sup>th</sup> grade young ladies.

Admission: \$10 In Advance/\$12 At the Door,

Dress: Semi Formal!

Snacks, Photographer and Favors during this special evening! To download a registration form click here. To volunteer at the event click here. To purchase

your photo package with the photographer early click here.



#### **Snacks Wanted!**

We will be providing snacks for the staff meeting on March 25th. The following grades have been selected and are being asked to contribute an item if able: Kindergarten, 4th, 6th and 11th grades. Volunteers can sign up here:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f48abaa23a57-snacks



Poet, inspirational speaker & artist to work with grades 2, 9 and 10 History teacher Mrs. Linda Morse requested and received funding from PIE for a visit from Robin Joyce Miller, a poet, inspirational speaker and artist specializing in African American themes, who will have slide presentations for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade called "From Cultural Shame to Cultural Pride and take a look at the civil rights movement. Ms. Miller will also have a presentation for the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes focusing on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. For more info. on the artist, check out her website: <a href="http://www.robinjoycemillerart.com/#/home/">http://www.robinjoycemillerart.com/#/home/</a>



#### FRCS Clothing SWAP - Volunteers Needed

Ms. Karen Harris, Student & Family Network Liaison has offered PIE the opportunity to take on the Annual Dress Code Sales events. These particular events in the month of May are strictly for incoming students and will take place during Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Screenings, May 18<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup> and May 27<sup>th</sup> in the Media Center. Volunteers are needed to inspect gently used clothing, hand out tickets for swapping clothing; and sell tops (\$2) and bottoms(\$3) between the hours of 8-3pm. A signup genius will be coming soon. A decision will be made where the proceeds will be allocated to support various programs. Come to a PIE meeting or email us to be a part of the decision making process.



**Foxborough Founder's Day** is Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> and we'll be securing our spot in this year's Founder's Day Parade and Field Activities FRCS will be marching and behind a float reflecting this year's theme:" Music In The Air". The Johnson family has graciously offered up their trailer again. We are still looking for someone with a pickup truck to haul our trailer/float. The hitch measures 2 5/8. Also needed is a garage big enough to store trailer over night. Trailer is 8ft wide by 16 ft long. Students will be designing and building our float. We also are soliciting donations for raffle prizes at our tent at Booth Field. Please contact Kathy Montal if you can help out at parentsineducation@yahoo.com.



Keep on collecting those box tops! Box tops are an easy way for all of us to raise \$ for buses and field trips. Please send box tops into the Main Office in a bag or envelop marked with your child's name and grade, Attention: PIE. We are seeking a team of volunteers to monitor drop boxes to be placed around the school and prepare box tops for submission from now until November. IMPORTANT: The Box Tops for Education organization will NOT accept ripped/damaged boxtops and MUST NOT EXPIRE BEFORE OCT. 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2015. We will not receive credit for these. Watch PIE news for contest information. If you'd like to join this effort, please contact: Stephanie Rizzo at fne33@hotmail.com or (781)-956-7967



On Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> Cub Scout Pack 314 held their annual Blue & Gold banquet. The purpose of the blue and gold banquet is to celebrate the pack's anniversary, thank pack leaders and other adults who have helped the pack, and inspire the leaders, scouts, and parents. It brings families together for an evening of fun and cheer. Our pack celebrated by performing skits and presenting scouts and adults with awards. We also enjoyed a performance by a magician and a slide show of our events of the past year. A special thanks to Mike and Cindy Loncar for hosting/planning this year's event. See pictures in photo album at end of this newsletter.

On Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-11:30, the Pack will be working with other Foxborough Packs at the Scout Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Ahern Middle School on Mechanic Street. The event is not only a fundraiser for both the local Boy Scout packs/troops but also for local charities. Raffle baskets will be available for purchase for a chance to win. Tickets for the breakfast are \$5 and children under 5 eat free. Tickets are available at the door. Please come out and support our scouts by eating as many pancakes as you can. For more information on Cub Scout Pack 314 please contact us at ScoutPack314@verizon.net or visit our website.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**









**Teaching Garden and Shoe Box Recycling:** What do shoes have to do with the Teaching Garden adjacent to the playground? The Shoe Box Recycling Program will help fund ongoing supplies needed to promote and grow a successful school garden. Supplies needed include compost bins, seeds, potting soil, mulch, low tunnel materials, etc. Teachers in grades K-6<sup>th</sup> grade have built their curriculum around the raised-bed vegetable garden. Spring planting will be here soon, so please consider donating your gently used shoes. For more info click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> or contact Mrs. Mutrie at <a href="mailto:mlmutrie@foxboroughrcs.org">mlmutrie@foxboroughrcs.org</a> if interested in helping out with the teaching garden this Spring.



**FM Systems Fundraising:** The Kindergarten teachers continue to raise funds for FM Systems for their classrooms. To learn more about how these will assist in the classroom or if you can help, please follow this link. <a href="mailto:gofund.me/FRCSkindergarten">gofund.me/FRCSkindergarten</a>. Thank you for your support!



**TeacHaiti Project**: A group of teachers will be traveling to Haiti in April to assist in staff development at TeacHaiti's School of Hope in Port Au Prince. In the meantime, under the direction of Mrs. Amanda Turcotte, FRCS will be selling Haitian jewelry made by the students in Haiti. Teachers traveling to Haiti are paying the taxes and fees for flights out of pocket. The travel tax is very expensive, if you would like to help, please visit:

http://www.gofundme.com/Haiti-service

# Photo Album Cub Scout Pack 314 Blue & Gold Ceremony





"Mrs. T" and her Kindergarten Music Class

