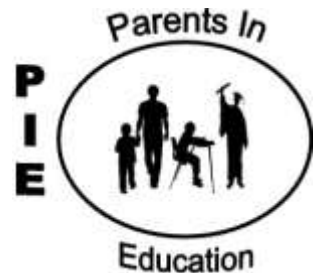


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Wow! The first month of school has flown by! Before you know it we'll be sitting down to eat our Thanksgiving Turkeys☺ PIE asks you to take a minute each day to think about what you are thankful for.

Please note: this is meant to be an electronic resource as there are several links included.

Important Information

PIE distributes a new newsletter about once every two weeks. The best place for all information about PIE is our website: www.frcspie.weebly.com.

We suggest you add this as a favorite and check it often. On the website you will find all information about upcoming PIE events. Everything from our monthly meetings to the Harlem Wizards visit is available in an easy to use format.

As volunteer opportunities become available for events we will post the link to our Sign up genius to that event under the upcoming events page. You can also find great resources on our site as well. If you have any suggestions or we are missing something you would like to see, please send us an email via the site or to frcspie@comcast.net. We hope you enjoy it!

Chick Family Fundraiser

THE CHICK FAMILY FUNDRAISER – SATURDAY, NOV. 16TH 7:30 PM
Raffael's – Walpole, MA
More details available [here](#).

PIE would like to thank everyone who took the time to donate items and money to the Chick Family Fundraiser. We were able to donate three baskets and one stand-alone item to the auction. We hope the four additional auction items can help bring them one step closer to their goal.

Be Part of Team FeRoCious



Last year PIE was able to bring the Harlem Wizards to FRCS for the first time. The Wizards are similar to the Harlem Globetrotter, in fact some of the Wizards are former Globetrotters. The Wizards are coming back to FRCS this year. We are looking to get our team together to challenge them. Our team is made up of staff, parents and alumni. You can sign up to be part of the team [here](#). Team members MUST be at least 18 years of age. The game will take place on Friday, January 17th. Players must arrive no later than 5:30PM. We may be able to get in a few team practices before the big game. Stay tuned for information on that. Information about ticket purchases for the game will be available in late November/early December. Go Team FeRoCious!!!!

Cub Scout Pack 314 News



Den meetings began this past week BUT it's not too late to join☺ If you have a son in Grades 1-5 who is interested in joining Cub Scouts get in touch with Jim Green right away!

We are also looking for some adults to step in and take one leadership roles within our new pack. To get more information contact Jim Green at jrgreenmd@yahoo.com or 508-543-9283.

K-5 Family Luau Dance

35 families came in from the cold to enjoy a great night of dancing, fun and friends last Friday. We've shared some pictures of the fun here but you can find more on the PIE Website. Stay tuned for more great families nights throughout the school year!



FRCS Stamp Project

**The Holocaust Stamps Project
Needs YOUR Stamps!!!**

Do YOU have any old, “useless” stamps? Please consider donating to:

**The Holocaust Stamps Project
at Foxborough Regional Charter School
131 Central Street, Foxboro, Massachusetts 02035
See more information on this [flyer](#).**

SOS - Sort Our Stamps!

Sort our Stamps! We are trying to reach a goal of 4 million stamps by the end of the school year! Will your family please take a bag of stamps, trim and count them for our community service project? We are getting many, many donations of stamps from around the United States and other countries and we need help trimming and sorting. In July we broke the 3 million mark for our stamp count! By helping you join hundreds of other volunteers in our school and local community!

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FRCS Family and Staff Survey

PIE would like to know how we are doing. When you have a few moments please take the time to fill out our survey here. If you are a new family to the school we want to hear from you as well! Some questions will give you the opportunity to let us know if you are a “veteran” family or a new family. We appreciate your willingness to let us know how we are doing and what we can do to make PIE a better place for everyone. You can find the survey [here](#).

We wanted to take a moment to address some of the things that have come up in the survey so far:

- All PIE events for the whole year can be found listed by date on our website for planning purposes
- All PIE Agendas and Meeting Minutes can also be found on the PIE website. Agendas are put up as soon as possible before the meetings so everyone knows what will be discussed.
- Childcare IS available at every PIE meeting this year.
- Incorrect Emails Addresses – at the beginning of the year, PIE put out a form asking families to provide contact information with us for their room parents. We are still waiting to receive many of these forms back. We are not provided with contact information for families by the school so we rely on families to get the information to us.
- Directory – In the past there has been a school directory. At the present time, there is no way to have a school directory because there is no secure place to publish it.
- Sending home paper forms – At the beginning of the year PIE let everyone know that we are not able to send home paper forms this year to anyone we have an email address for. FRCS is a green school and PIE is adhering to the Green School policies.
- Family Nights- PIE is allowed to have family nights on Friday evenings only (we will have one Thursday family night this year because there is no school the next day). We are not able to have Family nights directly after school because of the extended day program.
- We provide information for PIE in a variety of formats. This bi-weekly newsletter, a Facebook Page, room parents and the PIE Website. Please be sure to check the website often for updates and changes.

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to fill out the survey. We value your opinion a great deal!

PIE Holiday Fair

It's coming! It's coming! The annual PIE Holiday Fair will take place during school hours in the Media Center on Tuesday Dec 3rd and Wednesday Dec 4th. This yearly event has been a favorite among students and parents. It provides students the opportunity to holiday shop for family and friends. More details to follow as plans are underway and waiting to be finalized. Class attendance schedules will be provided when available and sign up opportunities to volunteer at the event will be forthcoming. If you have any questions, please feel free to email the event coordinators: Kim Whynacht / Kwhynacht@yahoo.com or Tina Walnista / twalnista@yahoo.com

Display My Art

I am happy to announce that the magnets and order forms for the Display My Art fundraiser have arrived!

The students have put in a lot of effort into their artwork and their efforts show! The results are beautiful!!

Teachers will be sending home a FREE magnet produced from your child's artwork along with a product brochure and an Order Form. You have the opportunity to purchase a variety of products with your child's artwork on it. In addition, FREE individual personalization is offered on selected products.

Completed order forms, with payment, are due back to school by Tuesday, November 19th!!

One of the best features of this fundraiser is the Display My Art online ordering service. Each child is assigned an order number (located on the order form) which you can use to log on to the Display My Art website and have an opportunity to actually see your child's artwork displayed on all of our products.

This makes it so much more convenient for not only parents but relatives and friends to place orders.

Even after the fundraiser is over, you may continue to go online to place orders for future events.

Whether you order by form or online, your school will always get credit for the order. And there is no additional cost for ordering online.

Of course, you may still use the Order Form which will be send home with your child's free magnet and a Display My Art product brochure. Even if you order by form, you may still **want to** log on to the Display My Art website just to see your child's artwork. All orders will be distributed through the school on or about December 13th.

REMEMBER: *Order forms are due back to school by Tuesday, November 19th!*

Thank you!

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PIE Shed

Some of you may have noticed the nice new shed that now resides by the playground. The shed belongs to PIE and will be used for storage from this point forward. That's right families, if you have been storing PIE items in your sheds, basements, attics and barns you may now get in touch with us at frcspie@comcast.net to arrange to drop it off to be stored in the shed. (We are waiting on some shelving to be built first so it's going to be a few more weeks though)

We are so thrilled to have a home for the various items families have so generously opened their homes for. Thank you all for your help over the years, you may now have your storage space back 😊

PIE's Mission

To compliment the school curriculum with opportunities for parents, teachers and students to learn, socialize, communicate and grow.

PIE has the following objectives:

1. To cultivate a strong unity between students, school, and the FRCS community
2. To encourage parent and FRCS community participation and volunteerism in school related activities
3. To serve as a resource for providing educational, enrichment and social programs to students at FRCS
4. To foster communication and understanding between FRCS staff, families, students and the community it serves

PIE meetings are typically held the second Thursday of each month at 7PM in the Media Center. Check the school calendar for exact dates and times. All parents are encouraged to attend (childcare is available). For more information please feel free to contact PIE President, Jennifer Smith at frcspie@comcast.net

We hope you are enjoying the PIE newsletter. If you'd like to make a contribution to our next newsletter or if you would like us to include something in it for you please email us. We are also looking for contributions to post on our website for "My PIE Experience". We would like to hear how PIE has touched your family. It can be anything from having a great time at one of our events to PIE having helped you out in some way. We can keep your contribution anonymous or we can include your name and a photo if you wish. Send us your story via email as well. We look forward to sharing more news with you soon!