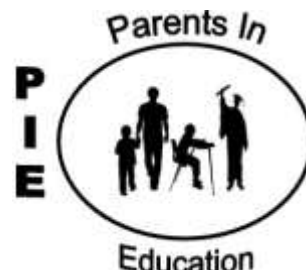


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We hope you are all settling in well to the new school year!!!

Please note: this is meant to be an electronic resource as there are several links included. We do not have a printable format available at this time.

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!

Barrett's Haunted Mansion

This year is going to be an Alice In Wonderland Theme!!!! There will be TWO houses this year but we will be responsible for staffing one of them☺ - All volunteers need to do is show up in black clothing. The house provides all costumes and does makeup for each character.

Friday, October 18th, you can sign up to join us [here](#). Everyone who has volunteered in the past has had an amazing time! You can view the pictures from last year's event [here](#). (you'll have the scroll to the bottom). We will need about 40 volunteers made up of parents and staff to make it happen. Anyone 18 or older can volunteer. To view the expectations for volunteers visit the Barrett's Haunted Mansion page: [here](#).





We were able to raise \$453.08 through the all for books program. Congratulations to Mr. Keaney's class for collecting the most money for the program. This program enables PIE to purchase books for students in grades K-5 who are unable to buy books at the fair. Additionally, we use the money to award the teacher whose class won the contest with \$100 in books for their classroom. We are also pleased that we were able to purchase nearly \$400 worth of books for the school library. That is in addition to the over \$700 in books we donated last month. We were also able to purchase nearly \$200 in books for the middle/high school resource room. We've included pictures of the new titles here for you to enjoy ☺



PREORDER THE NEW DIARY OF A WIMPY KID

- Jeff Kinney's newest book is scheduled to be released and go on sale November 5, 2013.
 - Scholastic Book Fairs is offering a specially priced paperback edition of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid#8*.
 - To order your copy, complete a Pre-order Form the form is [here](#). (Order forms will be accepted through October 25 for this book.)
 - Orders placed at the Book Fair will be shipped directly to your school beginning November 5.*
 - There's NO cost for shipping and, remember, each purchase benefits your school!
- Specially priced paperback edition at the low price of \$8.49 (\$13.95 hardcover elsewhere)



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 frcpspie@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 ☺



AUTHOR ROBERT BUYEA VISIT

PIE is pleased to be working with 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Elia to bring author Robert Buyea to the school on October 28th. Mrs. Elia assigned Mr Buyea's book, *Because of Mr. Terupt*, to her incoming 5th grade class this year. Mr. Buyea will be coming to the school to visit and speak with grades 5-7 and will be signing purchased copies of his books for any students who would like them. An order form for the books can be found [here](#).

Rob taught third & fourth graders for six years before moving to Massachusetts, where he now lives with his wife and three daughters. He teaches biology and coaches wrestling at Northfield Mount Hermon School. *Because of Mr. Terupt* was his first novel. The sequel to it, *Mr. Terupt Falls Again*, will also be available for purchase.

A link to Mr. Buyea's website can be found [here](#).

Family Trip to see The Hobbit

Saturday, November 16th at 3PM

Join us for a fun family day! We will be heading in to Boston to Weelock Family Theatre to see the Hobbit. Tickets are \$15.00/each (Weelock is charging us half price for the \$30 seats). Transportation will be provided from the FRCS parking lot into Boston for no additional cost (PIE and the FRCS Students and Families Department will be covering the cost of bussing).

Order form for tickets can be found [here](#), but we need to get an idea of how many people to expect and whether they will be taking the bus from FRCS or taking their own transportation. Please sign up [here](#) to let us know if you are coming and how you will be getting to the performance.

Here are the details on the performance:

Based on the novel by J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Hobbit* follows the quest of homebody Bilbo Baggins to win a share of golden treasure guarded by a terrifying dragon. By embracing the adventurous side of his nature and applying his wits and common sense, Bilbo gains a new level of maturity and wisdom.

K-5 Family Night Dance

Friday, November 8, 2013 6:30 – 9PM in the Cafeteria

Come in out of the cold and join us for a Luau themed family dance. We'll have a DJ and plenty of refreshments. We are offering a few different ways to enjoy the dance:

- Tickets for \$10 for the whole family – this includes admission to the dance only. Concessions (pizza, chips and water) will be available for \$1 each at the dance.
- Tickets for \$20 for the whole family (up to five) – this includes admission to the dance, two slices of pizza, a bag of chips and two waters for each family member. (additional concessions can be purchased at \$1 each.
- Tickets for \$25 for the whole family (more than five family members) includes everything the \$20 ticket includes.

Ticket order form can be found [here](#).



Cub Scout Pack 314 News



We have held our first parent meeting and have our all Pack meeting scheduled for October. Troops are forming NOW! Open to all boys in Grades 1-5. The first Pack Meeting will be held Wednesday evening October 16 at 6PM in the FRCS cafeteria. If your son is not sure about attending Cub Scouts feel free to join us on that day and talk to some of the leaders☺ Please contact us right away if you are interested in signing your son up for Cub Scouts.

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

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! See more information on this flyer. 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! See more information on this [flyer](#).

World Book Night 2014

We will be working with Amanda Turcotte at FRCS to bring some great WBN events to the school. World Book Night is held every year on the same date: April 23 (Shakespeare's Birthday). This coming WBN will fall during the school's April vacation week. There will be some great festivities planned at FRCS on the night of April 17th. We are also looking for people who would be willing to be givers on April 23rd in their communities. FRCS will serve as a pick up point for givers to get the books to distribute on the 23rd. [Here](#) is a copy of the proposal that has been accepted. If you are interested in volunteering at the event on the 17th and/or to be a giver on the 23rd please go [here](#) to sign up.

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!!!!

Volunteer Opportunities for 2013-2014 School Year for Both Adults and Students

We are looking for **student** help this year as well. We've created a Sign Up Genius page that lists all of the volunteer opportunities. We will add more as needed. The link to the sign up page is [here](#).

The form for **adult** volunteering can be found [here](#). We also encourage you to let us know if you have any special skills you would be willing to share with the school as they may come in handy. When you let us know what you are interested in helping with, we will send you an email when the event comes up to let you know what help is needed. Please let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to working closely with you in the upcoming year!

Men's Survey

We want to hear from the men of FRCS! We are looking to find out how men want to be involved. Please take a few minutes to fill out our survey to let us know your thoughts. The survey can be found [here](#) and is completely anonymous so feel free to be as honest as you would like! We look forward to hearing from you☺

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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](#).

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!