



Rumson Parent Teacher Organization

February 2012

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Happy February Everyone!

Thank you to all who came to the "Race to Nowhere" screening on January 19th. Hundreds of people attended from both Rumson and Fair Haven for a thought provoking discussion. Thank you to Courtney Setteducate for organizing this great night on behalf of our Community Liaison Committee.

On the grade assembly front, Franklin Institute brought the 2nd grade a program on Motion and Machines and the 4th grade enjoyed an FI assembly on Electricity. The 6th and 7th grade participated in an inspiring writing workshop brought to us by SDWorkshops. Thank you to Donna Stoveken, Maria Moschitta, Tiiu Hansen, Alka Rinkus, Jody Sackett, Lora Anderson and Bettina Snodgrass for all their hard work in pulling this together.

Also on the grade assembly front, the PTO would like to thank our Curriculum Director, Christine Landwehrle and our wonderful teachers for all of the pre and post show support and guidance they've provided for our assembly program this year. We are grateful for their tremendous help in making sure our PTO dollars are targeted and bringing the greatest impact for our children.

The Box Top campaign is more successful than ever. Thank you to Susie Levin Miller for all her hard work on this important fundraiser. The drive goes until February 25, so please keep those Box Tops coming!!

Finally, the PTO sponsored Bystander: A Portrait in Apathy for the 4-8 grades. This is a unique program that approaches bullying prevention from the bystander's point of view. It was very powerful and we received a lot of positive feedback. Thank you, most of all, to the 7th and 8th graders that donated their time to put on this impactful program. Thank you also to Mrs. Crow and Kristy Rogers for working so hard to bring it all together.

Finally, thank you to all of you for your continued support. We couldn't do any of this without you!

Best regards,

Lisa James

Important Dates

DATE	EVENT
February 1	PTO meeting; 9:15 FD cafeteria
February 8	FD - Holy Cross game @ RFH
February 13 - 17	Winter Recess
February 21	Lunch With A Loved One
February 22	BOE meeting; 7:30 FD library
February 25	8th Grade Pancake Breakfast
February 29	Kindergarten Registration
February 29	RFH incoming freshman presentation

The deadline for our March edition is **February 28.**

Contact Gretchen Morris at ptonewsletter@rumsonschool.org

FD ART SHOW

Save the date: May 22, 2012

We love to have volunteers: if interested, please contact:

Sophia Kho

Sophia@khoandco.com

732-741-0314

The PTO would like to congratulate Deane Porter School for being recognized by the Monmouth Day Care in Red Bank for 15 years of donating holiday gifts to the families at their center.

Mr. Karas, Ms. Waters and the third grade helpers were honored at the Monmouth Day Care's annual meeting on January 23rd.

Ms. Waters spearheaded the Giving Tree project and the third grade helpers delivered the gifts to the center in December, along with Mr. Karas, Mr. Panas and Ms. Waters.

FORRESTDALE VS HOLY CROSS BASKETBALL GAME

WEDNESDAY FEB 8TH 2012

BOYS GAME @ 6:00PM
GIRLS GAME @ 7:30PM

TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE DURING FORRESTDALE LUNCH

TUES 1/31 - PLAYERS AND 8TH GRADE ONLY

WED. 2/1 - PLAYERS, 7TH & 8TH GRADE ONLY

THURS. 2/2 - OPEN SALES

TICKETS - \$10 EACH 4 TICKET MAX/FAMILY 3-POINT CONTEST CHANCES - \$1

SOUVENIRS TO BE SOLD ENTIRE WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT INCLUDE: PINNIES, T-SHIRTS, HAIR FEATHERS,
BRACELETS, RALLY TOWELS & TATTOOS.

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT 8TH GRADE TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C.

Forrestdale's School-Wide Spelling Bee

On January 18th Forrestdale held its annual School-Wide Spelling Bee. Initially, each 4th-8th grade Language Arts class held a class spelling bee to narrow down the participants to 30. The runner-up was 8th grader, John Christian Liang and the spelling bee champion was 8th grader, Thomas Grabowy! Thomas will move on to participate in the Spelldown at Monmouth University on March 12th.
Good Luck Thomas!

SAVE THE DATE!!

The **HARLEM WIZARDS** are back with their Tricks, Hoops & Alley Oops!

Thursday, April 19th 6:30pm - 8:30pm

RBR Gym, Little Silver

Raffles! Autographs! Snacks! Souvenirs! Fun!

More information on tickets sales to follow.

Save the Date ♥ *Save the Date* ♥ *Save the Date*

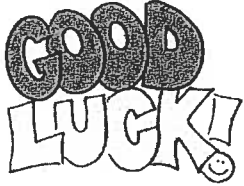
4th ANNUAL
RUMSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION
www.rumsoneducationfoundation.org

Dance with your Darling
a Night in Paris

When: Friday, April 13, 2012
invitation to follow

Ladies Luck Time!

Calling all "Lucky Ladies" to the Rumson PTO's biggest fundraiser of the year



"Luck Be A Lady"

Thursday, March 22, 2012; 6:30 to 9:30PM

The Shadowbrook, Shrewsbury

Invitations are here so get your responses in ASAP. You can also RSVP through our website, www.rumsonschoolpto.com

The money raised will continue to fund events in our school such as grade specific assemblies, art shows, field days, Lunch With a Loved One, teacher appreciation week as well as other needs for our schools. For the past several years, the PTO was also able to fill teacher gift requests for their classrooms in the amount of approximately \$30,000.

We hope you will be a part of our "lucky" evening featuring a buffet dinner, chance auction, silent auction, 50/50 and grand raffle.

Thank you for your support!

Looking to be a part of the lucky event? We are looking for the following items for our chance auction baskets.

- Home/ cooking/ kitchen/ wine
- Ladies fashion items/ jewelry/ accessories
- Boy/ girl/ baby items
- Electronics (ipods, ipads, digital picture frames, xbox, wii)
- Class/ fitness gift certificates
- Sports camps/ sports tickets
- Restaurant gift cards/ theater tickets
- Handbags for our designer pretty purse auction

Auction Baskets and Donations are being accepted

Your generous donations are the key to our success!

If you would like to donate, please drop off your donation to 166 Bingham Ave. Remember to include donation forms.

LNO bin and forms are near the driveway on the Pompano side.

Monetary donations are accepted as well. Checks can be payable to Rumson PTO

If you are interested in donating a designer handbag, please contact Katie Johnson at jimnkate@verizon.net

Email Bettina Snodgrass at bettina@snodgrass.de or Melissa Kelly at pmkelly6@verizon.net

with other donation questions.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Grade Level Theme Baskets for March 22, 2012

Preschool & Kindergarten – Artsy Crafty Busy Bees (Art supplies, craft projects, books, gift cards, art lessons, etc.)

1st Grade – Girls Just Want To Have Fun (Jewelry making kits, dress-up clothes, gift cards for nails, etc.)

2nd Grade – Let's Hear It For The Boys (Toys, legos, games, trucks, etc.)

3rd Grade – Weird Science (Kits, books, a telescope, microscope, gift cards to museums, etc.)

4th Grade – Wide World of Sports (Sports equipment, bats, rackets, tickets to games, lessons, etc.)

5th Grade – Popcorn and a Movie (Movies, movie tickets, popcorn maker, bowl, etc.)

6th Grade – Sounds of Music (CD's, I-Tunes cards, IPOD, Karaoke player, singing lessons, etc.)

7th Grade – Fun and Games (Board games, Wii games, DS games, Tennis rackets, etc.)

8th Grade – Outdoor Living (Patio set, garden items, landscaping gift certificate, outdoor games and more.

BOX TOP RALLY!

Deane Porter has flown into the lead with an outstanding overall submission of 4103, while Forrestdale keeps pace with 2105. 2W continues to maintain a sizable lead over the field with 835, while 2L is putting on pressure in second place with 624. In a surprise run from behind 1K has taken over third place with 468. Over at Forrestdale 5H has seized the lead with 537 while 6Z has overtaken 6O to land in second place with 265 leaving 6O holding on to third place with 210.

This race continues through 25 February. Prizes will be distributed in March. Follow weekly tallies of the race by class on the PTO website, and continue to turn in your Boxtops in a bag, or envelope, marked with your name and classroom. (Hot Tip: go to btfe.com and register to earn mega box tops by shopping its marketplace. Then submit the amount earned by either e-mail or drop-off.) Any questions, please feel free to contact Susie Levin-Miller at: slvnmillr@aol.com

Lunch With a Loved One

Deane-Porter will once again hold its annual Lunch With A Loved One on Tuesday, February 21st. All children can participate by inviting a special relative (including a parent) or a grown-up friend to enjoy lunch with them on that day, during their scheduled lunch period. The PTO provides treats, drinks, and a festive atmosphere! Volunteers are needed! Anyone interested in helping decorate the gym and cafeteria; donating baked goods and healthy snacks, juice boxes, water bottles, or chocolate kisses; or serving treats to the children and guests during the Lunch, please contact: Jen Jamin - jenniferjamin@verizon.net

LOTS of volunteers are needed, so please find time in your schedule to spend just an hour or two helping with the Lunch.

Kindergarten lunch from 10:40 to 11:15

First grade lunch from 11:25 to 12:00

Second grade lunch from 12:10 to 12:45

Third grade lunch from 12:55 to 1:30

The Rumson PTO Sports Equipment Exchange!

Saturday, March 3rd 2012

10:00am to 2:00pm

Forrestdale School Cafeteria



We are collecting donations of lightly used sports equipment for re-sale at low, low prices to benefit the Rumson PTO

Please drop off the items below before March 2nd on the front porch of
Gina Sakele, 49 Center St. Rumson.

Cleats (tied in pairs), all sports

Helmets for all sports

Balls from all sports

Baseball Mitts

Bats

Figure & Ice Hockey Skates, Sticks,

Pads & Pucks

In-line & Roller Skates

Lacrosse Sticks & Pads

Field Hockey Sticks, Guards

Football pads

Tennis Racquets

T-Ball Posts

Golf Clubs & Bags

Skateboards, Pads, Wrist guards

Boogie Boards & Skim Boards

Swim Safety Flotation

Boating Life Vests

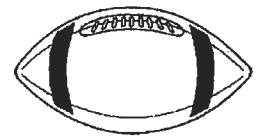
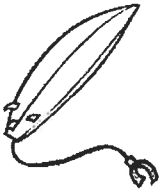
Skis & Snow Boards & Boots

Lawn games: croquet, horse shoes,

badminton sets

Please drop the following off at Forrestdale School, Forrestdale Ave.,
Rumson, the morning of the Exchange:

Bicycles,
Surfboards,
Goals
Nets



Donation forms may be picked up when you drop off the equipment.

Please, no clothing or broken items. Please clean the items before donating.

Thank you for supporting our public schools!

If you would like to volunteer or have questions please e-mail: Amy Kresloff akresloff@verizon.net .

ART NEWS

It's almost Spring, artsy time to surface ☺

Art Committee meeting Tuesday February 22nd, 9am at Forrestdale cafeteria.
Please come.

Forrestdale Update: Amy Lepping would like students to be inspired to participate in current contests. The New Jersey Department of Human Services (NJ DHS) Division of Family Development: 16th annual Teen Media contest. Statewide contest is open to New Jersey middle 6th, 7th & 8th graders. This year's media contest is: "Illustrate a positive quality you have that you learned from your parents." 1st place: \$300 savings bond, 2nd place: \$200 Savings bond, 3rd place: \$100 savings bond. Please stop by the FD foyer to pick up a form/ details in the lobby on the art bulletin board.

Forrestdale Students...Get Your Acts Together!
The FORRESTDALE FOLLIES Are Coming!



Thursday, April 12, 2012

**Get Together With Friends or Go Solo
Pick Your Music & Start Putting Your
Acts Together Now!**

**Entry forms will be available & show prep
will begin in March. As you start planning your
performance please follow these guidelines:**

1 solo act per student,

1 solo + 1 group act per student, or

2 group acts per student.

**Please limit your act to 2-3 minutes so that every
student has an opportunity to perform.**

**We appreciate your cooperation & look forward to a great show!
Questions? Contact Silvia Culver ssculver@verizon.net or
Luann Hughes luannkh@verizon.net**



Don't miss the 8th Grade Fundraiser
**10th Annual All You Can Eat
Pancake Breakfast!**



Saturday, February 25, 2012, Forrestdale Cafeteria
Come anytime between 8 am and 12 noon

The cost is \$7 per person/ \$8 with 2 sausage links

Includes: Tea, coffee, hot chocolate, OJ, and all the pancakes you can eat!

You will be seated and served by the awesome Class of 2012!

**So come before or after your Rec basketball game or come for the good food and
company, but just come! ☺**

Any questions please call Theresa Babiak 732-747-3883 or Dawn Massabni 732- 842-6562
Advance purchases preferred, tickets held at door. Thank you!

Name _____ Phone # _____

of tickets at \$7____, # of tickets at \$8____ = Total of \$_____

Please make check payable to: Forrestdale Class of 2012

Return to box in main office