

PTA PANTHER PRINT



MAPLEWOOD HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

March 2015

Greetings Maplewood families,

Thank you to all of our Maplewood families who continue to support our school through PTA. I am having a hard time wrapping my head around the idea that only 4 months of our 2014–2015 school year remains. Soon our 5th graders will be off to middle school!

In the upcoming months we hope to see you at our Donuts with Dads breakfast, movie night & book fair, participating in the classrooms through our art appreciation program, and at our Spring Walk-a-Thon and end-of-year celebration!

Please help celebrate our outstanding staff by volunteering for Staff Appreciation Week and attend our May awards meeting to honor scholarship recipients, outstanding educators, and volunteers of the year.

I want to personally thank you for all you do to make MWH Elementary a warm and energetic place for our children to grow and learn. I am proud to be a part of our school.

Our next PTA meeting (childcare provided) is Tuesday, April 14, at 6:30. Please join us.

Danielle Anderson, Maplewood Heights PTA President

News You Can Use

Outstanding Educator & Golden Acorn

Nomination forms for Outstanding Educator and Golden Acorn Award are available in the office. The Outstanding Educator award recognizes two exceptional teachers, who will each receive \$100 and a certificate of recognition. The Golden Acorn is awarded to a PTA volunteer in recognition of his/her dedication and service to MWH. Both nomination forms are due by Friday, April 24. The awards will be presented at the PTA meeting on May 12.

PTA Volunteer Board Members

The MWH PTA is looking for volunteer board members for the 2015–2016 school year. Nominations for the following positions must be submitted no later than Friday, April 24: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Member at Large.

Important PTA meeting, May 12, 6:30pm in the commons

Our Outstanding Educator and Golden Acorn Award presentations, scholarship ceremony (2 grads who are MWH alumni), and the nominating of next year's PTA board will all take place at the May 12 PTA meeting. Please be sure to join us!

Looking Ahead

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

April

- 3** Donuts with Dad, 8:45am–9:45am in the commons
- 6–10** No school—Spring break
- 14** PTA meeting, 6:30pm in the commons

May

- 12** PTA meeting, 6:30pm in the commons
- 14** Movie night w/ BOGO book sale, 5:30pm (6:30 movie showing)

June

- 5** Spring Walk-a-Thon
- 9** PTA meeting, 6:30pm in the commons
- 18** End-of-year BBQ/party, 6:00pm–8:00pm on the playground

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Donuts with Dad, Friday, April 3, 8:45am–9:45am

Come join us in the commons and enjoy a complimentary breakfast of donuts, fruit, milk, juice, and coffee with your Maplewood Heights child before school begins. Dads or special guests must stay on school grounds with student until 9:45am, as there is no supervision provided on the school property before this time.

Movie Night and BOGO Book Fair, May 14, 5:30pm (6:30 movie)



Bring your blankets and pillows to our movie night featuring *Big Hero 6*. Snacks and beverages can be purchased during the movie. We will open the BOGO Book Fair at 5:30 and will be open for 1/2 hour after the movie ends. This is a great opportunity to get your children reading material for our Summer Reading Challenge. We also need volunteers for this event; please contact Susan Barrett at susieshearbarrett@gmail.com if you are able to help out!

Box Top Classroom Contest, Fall 2014

The winning class is...Ms. Donovan's 1st grade with **1,400** Box Top and labels turned in!



Our entire school total is 7,430 Box Tops, which raised \$743.00. A big thank you to everyone who participated—the classroom totals were very close! Don't forget to cut and save your Box Tops and Labels for Education for our Spring Contest taking place May 1–June 5. Please be sure to cut them out neatly on the dotted line!



School Read-a-Thon

Our read-a-thon goal this year was 150,000 minutes. We blew it out of the park with 200,000 minutes! Over 350 students turned in a reading slip each week, so they were invited to attend our full participation party on March 23. Each of them received a t-shirt and got to select a free book. Way to go MWH readers!

5th Grade Spaghetti Night Fundraiser

We raised \$2,000 to contribute to keeping 5th Grade Camp affordable for all families. Thank you to our 4th and 5th grade families and teachers for making our Spaghetti Night fundraiser a great success! And a special thank you to Mrs. Sager for providing the live piano music.

Staff Appreciation Week, May 5–9

This year's Staff Appreciation Week theme is "Thank you for doing a super job!" We are looking for volunteers interested in decorating the hallways and staff lounge. A letter with more details will be coming home in mid-April. For more information or to get involved, email Julia Buller at jbuller1901@yahoo.com. Let's show our staff how much we appreciate all they do for our students!



Please be sure to check out our webpage! It's full of great information, including important dates and times of events at our school! www.maplewoodheightspta.org