

DECEMBER 2022

### PTO WELCOME

Our mission is to support the education of children at Parkway Manor by fostering relationships among the school, parents, caregivers, and teachers. We organize and support school events, fundraising efforts, and enrichment programs that enhance our children's educational, social, and developmental experiences.

#### **Update from Mr. Bartman**

**Thank You to PTO for Staff Luncheon**, it was much appreciated! Everyone is looking forward to the Holidays. The final week before break will be very festive for the kids as the teachers try to add some fun activities along with their work.

**Good luck Mr. Whitby!** He is leaving PM to join ST Math. We've hired a new 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Mr. Bullock, who is joining us from Cetronia.

#### Staff Representative, Ms. McDonnell

**Thank you to PTO for the Staff Holiday lunch!** It was very nice to be able to all sit down and enjoy lunch with the teachers and staff all together.

**Spirit Week, Dec. 19-22,** will be the last school week in December, starting with channel your flannel on Monday, followed by Holiday Glam on Tuesday, then Feeling frosty on Wednesday, and lastly PJ day on Thursday.

**Planning for 2023:** School and PTO need to start planning and scheduling spring events, including field trips, to avoid conflicts.

#### **PTO News & Highlights**

**Upcoming Assembly 1/13/23!** We're proud to host the "Infusion of Inclusion 2.0" program for all grades on Jan 13, 2023. Presented by The Arc of Lehigh and Northampton Counties'

Infusion of Inclusion 2.0 is an Elementary school-based educational program designed to inspire and encourage young children to embrace human diversity, incorporate behaviors of inclusion and acceptance into their everyday actions while also raising their understanding and awareness of people with disabilities. Also encouraging students to be mindful of human diversity, while providing them with inclusive actions and welcoming social skills that they can apply in their classrooms, at home, and throughout their lives...

Thank you to our VP of Academics, Zaneh Khuzam, for coordinating this program for our students!

Glow Dance was a huge success in celebrating our wonderful school community! We are blown away that PM donated 721 food items for the PARKLAND CARES Food Pantry. Although it was not a fundraiser, the PTO covered expenses and even saw \$100 profit. Thank you to everyone who donated refreshments & their time!





\* 721 food items donated by you!!\*









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#### **Upcoming Events**



#### **SAVE THE DATE: Phantoms Night is**

**Friday, March 17, 2023!** Tickets are \$19, \$5 of each ticket goes to the PTO. Our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade chorus will sing the National Anthem before the LV Phantoms take the ice! Tickets go on sale in January.

**2023 Read-a-thon** will take place February 24 to March 13. More information to follow.

#### Yearbook

**5th Grade Yearbook Packets coming soon!** Packets will go out to all 5<sup>th</sup> graders in January. They will have about 1.5 months to return it and have their dedications published in the Yearbook. The ad profit from the dedications will be put towards the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic at the end of the year.

**Yearbook Sales** start mid February and go through April. Again, **yearbooks are not sold for profit**, students who order pay the direct cost of printing.

#### **Fundraising**

**Holiday gift card sale** through Raise Right raised **\$180**. Thank you for participating!

**Spring fundraising** may include an evening out for ice-cream/frozen yogurt. This might be combined with another event like the science fair, where PTO gets a percentage of all sales that night.

**Install the BoxTops App** on your phone and scan your



receipts everytime you purchase cereal.











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**Set Amazon Smile** to "Parkway Manor Parent Teacher Organization, Inc." to **earn 5% back** for our school. Must have the word **SMILE** in the URL to be properly logged in. Use it on the mobile App too!

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### **December**

23rd- Jan.2 Winter Holiday | SCHOOL CLOSED

#### **January**

3rd School Reopens
11th PTO Meeting 9AM in Cafeteria
11th Virtual PTO Meeting 7PM on Zoom
13th School Wide Assembly | Infusion of Inclusion
16th Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | School Closed
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