



# The Bull's-Eye

June 2023  
Allyson Dye, Editor



**Dr. Barbara Wood, Principal**  
**Ms. Kristen Lamm, Interim Principal**  
**Mr. George Yeager, Interim Asst. Principal**



Poquoson Elementary School  
Parent Teacher Organization



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## Upcoming Dates

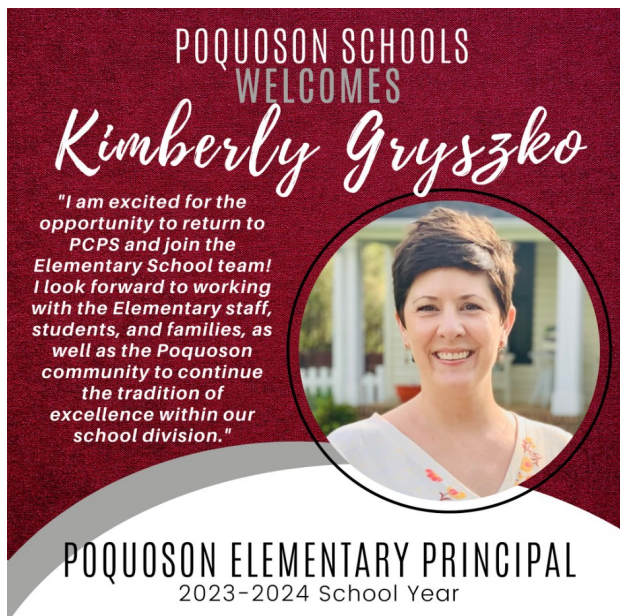
6/1—5th Grade Fun Night  
6/15—5th Grade Celebrations  
6/16—Early Dismissal/Last Day of School  
6/27—Report Cards



**JUNE 15TH**

**8:45AM-CLANCY, BEENE, FIRTH**  
**1:00PM-TURNER, WHITTEN, HOOD**

*Congratulations,  
Dr. Barbara Wood,  
on your retirement!*



*PES PTO thanks  
you for the  
dedication to our  
school and wish  
you all the best!*

*You will be missed!*



Did you know if each student donated just **2-3 pairs** of new or gently used tennis shoes, the PES PTO would exceed their goal?!?!?



**The ongoing fundraiser is accepting:**  
Running shoes, basketball shoes, cross trainers, non-metal cleats, canvas sneakers, hiking boots, gym shoes, court shoes

**Shoes we cannot accept:**  
Shoes with rips and tears, dirty shoes, heels, slippers, flip flops, Crocs, etc.

**How much money will be raised???**

If PES PTO collects the goal of 700 shoes, we will receive about \$1500

**Anything else???**

Shoes can be dropped off in the bins by the PES office

Please make sure the shoes stay in pairs by rubber banding together or tying the laces together

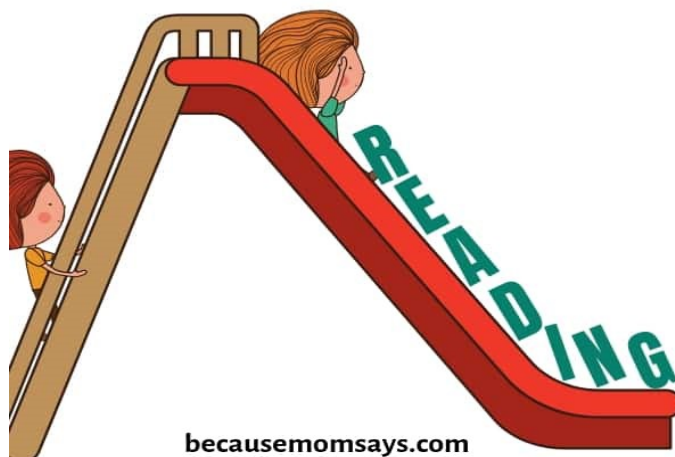
## avoiding the **SUMMER SLIDE**

**2 1/2** months of **math** skills are lost over summer

Approx. **2 months** of **reading** skills are lost over summer

Each fall teachers spend **6+ weeks** re-teaching old material

Just **2-3 hours** a week spent practicing skills can **prevent** the **summer slide**



**Want to help raise money for PES??**

**Coke Rewards is another way!**

Simply visit the website, select our school, and enter the code under the cap.

<https://us.coca-cola.com/give/schools/>

## Box Tops have gone digital!

To earn money for PES, simply download the app and begin scanning!





# ***PES PTO Meeting Minutes***

## **PES PTO Meeting Minutes May 3, 2023**

### ***In Attendance:***

Elizabeth Jones, Jenny Defendeifer, Bobbi Wright, Kristen Jones, Christy Hatchett

**Call to order:** 6:10pm, Elizabeth Jones, President

### ***5th Grade Fun Night, Kristen Jones (present) and Cathy Burroughs (unable to attend)***

- Re-scheduled date confirmed for Thursday, June 1 from 6-8pm at PES
- Discussed permission slips:
  - Permission slip approved and copies in teacher mailboxes at PES by 5/15 to go home with students. Front office can email teachers to notify & request forms be sent home with students by ~5/17
  - Post a link to the permission slip on the PES PTO Facebook page
  - Plan to have blank permission slips at the event for those who do not turn in (will serve to collect contact information / authorized pickups)
- Optional open volunteer meeting on Monday, 5/22/23 at 1:15pm at Sweet Beans. Volunteers unable to attend (which will likely be many due to work conflicts) will receive more detailed instructions the evening of the event

### ***President, Elizabeth Jones***

- April meeting minutes approved unanimously by email
- Next PTO Meeting - do we need to meet in June?
  - June meeting is currently scheduled for June 1st which conflicts with 5th Grade Fun Night so need to pick a new date if we have a June meeting. Consensus is no June meeting is necessary as no expected business to discuss so late in the year. June PTO meeting is canceled.
  - 2023-24 Board will meet for planning meeting over the summer. Roxanne suggested a day during the 3rd week of July since school is starting a week earlier (Roxanne will be out of town last week of July)
- Gaga pit is located on loading dock and Ms. Barnes is speaking to maintenance about installing
- Dare Elementary Skating Rink Family Night activity!
  - Only offer Saturdays and currently all booked up for the remainder of the year
  - Will consider scheduling this event next year

### ***Principal, Mrs. Lamm (unable to attend)***

- No report

### ***Treasurer, Erika Chwalik (unable to attend)***

- Final profit result from Color Run will be available by mid-May
- Field Day follow-up - trying to finalize any reimbursements, please submit any receipts for reimbursement ASAP
- \$600 check is needed for Wednesday, 5/10, Teacher Appreciation food truck catering - Hood Smokin' Soul Barbecue (Christy to confirm official business name of payee). Caterer will provide receipt to PES Office at check pick-up.

### ***Fundraising and Spirit Nights, Jen Defendeifer***

- The Fundraising Company (sneaker fundraiser)
  - 456 shoes collected as of today - 244 shoes are still needed, but need to "round up" to ensure we have enough acceptable / usable shoes
  - Will need volunteers to help pallet shoes for pickup when we have reached the goal
  - BIG push for shoes to come in before the end of the school year
    - Jenny to request Allyson post on FB and Ms. Lamm to send a school-wide e-mail on 5/9, specifically requesting families bring a shoe donation to Art & Music Night since a large crowd will be coming into the building

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- Color Run
  - Thank you for all of the hard work in pulling off this amazing event!!
  - PES raised over \$5,600 (gross)! Jenny is coordinating with the Company for the final check with our profit portion.
  - Color Run Lead Volunteers from PES and PPS met for a post-event wrap-up to brainstorm ideas for next year and discuss if it makes sense to work with a Company to organize this event (as was done this year) or if it can be run by a committee of PTO volunteers so the PTOs can keep all proceeds. No final decision has been made.
    - Discussed suggestion to move the event to a Friday night in the Fall (will need to coordinate around football schedule). Elizabeth suggested a Sunday afternoon as a more ideal timeframe for consideration.
    - Consensus that the event needs to move out of the Spring to avoid following PES cookie dough fundraiser as well as overlapping with Spring sport fundraisers.
- Spirit Nights
  - Anna's Spirit Night made \$350 which was a huge success!
  - No additional Spirit Nights for 2022-2023 School Year

## ***Hospitality, Christy Hatchett***

- Teacher Appreciation Week - May 8th - 12th
- Sign Up Genius sent and volunteers slowly filling up (posted on Remind and Facebook again, plus Mrs. Lamm sent out a school wide email with Sign Up Genius link)
- Teacher Appreciation Week:
  - Christy is planning to come to PES to decorate on Sunday evening, specific time TBD after coordinating with Mrs. Lamm. Christy to let PTO Board know final plan if anyone is available to meet and assist, but not required
  - Monday - Breakfast - breakfast items provided
  - Tuesday - Sweet Day - assorted sweets provided
  - Wednesday - Food Truck
    - Teachers will have the choice of Main entree (chicken / pork / vegetarian) + several side choices + roll + several drink choices
  - Thursday - Salty Day - salty snacks provided
  - Friday - Potato Bar
    - Volunteers needed for luncheon set-up - 2 waves of food planned to ensure enough food available for all staff and food maintains proper temperature. Bobbi will add to the Sign-Up Genius.

## ***Spirit Wear, Roxanne Overby (unable to attend)***

- Elizabeth to coordinate with Ms. Lamm on finding a secure place at PES to store swag inventory over the summer
- Roxanne is speaking to Farm Fresh about setting up a table to sell additional swag (in order to reach community members). \$825 short of goal for ~~spirit year~~ / swag sales for this year
- Discussed selling swag at Music & Art Night, but consensus is it would be too difficult to man the table with so many differing time schedules for the different classes throughout the evening

## ***Newsletter, Allyson Dye (unable to attend)***

- Submission deadline is May 15th

## ***Assemblies, Lorrie Challoner (unable to attend)***

- Corey the Dribbler held on April 27th and it was a HUGE success!!

**Adjourned, 7:10pm, Elizabeth Jones, President**

**NO REMAINING MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**