



THE VILLAGE SCHOOL

Parent Association Meeting October 6, 2023

AGENDA:

Welcome

- Welcome to all parents

Event Updates

- PIE- Primary Teacher Panel - 11/3 (PA meeting) - Emily
 - Primary, toddler, and infant age focus. Goal to inform about curriculum and assessment.
 - Submit questions to Emily Gojman
 - Looking for committee support - contact Emily if you are able to be involved
 - Will do an LE through MS event later in year as part of Silent Journey, where parents can experience Montessori classroom and lesson
- Book Fair thank you and feedback - Cindy & Raheen
 - Thank you for a successful event!
 - Raised over \$3,000 for school to use toward more books for media center and classrooms. 144 books donated directly to classroom libraries
- Secor Farms Monday, Oct. 9th - Alexis & Lara
 - 9:15am meetup for 9:30am hayride
 - Over 60 people signed up so far - can still purchase tickets on Secor Farms website and add name to RSVP spreadsheet
- Parent Night out on Friday, 10/13; RSVP by 10/10 - Valeria & Anastasia
 - Parent night out event at Soma Cafe in Waldwick on Friday, 10/13 from 7:30-10:30 pm
 - DJ, Drinks, and light bites - please RSVP as soon as possible to help with planning
- Middle School Event rescheduled - Amy & Crissy
 - Middle School Escape Room Event rescheduled for Saturday, 10/21 at 5:30pm
 - Amy Dalal & Crissy Dailey will contact parents with updated event details
- Harvest Fest on Saturday, 10/28 - Raheen & Emma
 - Saturday, Oct. 28th from 10am to 12pm in the gym
 - Crafts, games, acapella performance
 - Students may wear costumes
 - Volunteer assistance needed with set up, clean up, craft stations, and bringing food and drink items
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon, 11/8 and 11/9 - Kim
 - Staff Appreciation will be over two days - Wednesday, 11/8 for snacks and treats, and Thursday, 11/9 for the Luncheon

- Diwali themed luncheon this year
- Please look in Wednesday Weekly for sign up sheet

Support Needed

- Greeters & Dismissers
 - Not many taking advantage of Primary greeters and dismissed
 - Know that greeters can walk your primary student from the car in the morning between 8:50am and 9:10am. Dismissal greeters available from 2:55-3:10pm.
 - Anyone who would like to volunteer can reach out to Diana Kaniuga
- Gala Donations and volunteers
 - Donations of trips and other big items would be very helpful
 - Looking for additional volunteers to join committee
 - Contact Cindy Lee, Gina Kourtesis, or Becky Cohen if interested in getting involved

Additional Updates

- Car Line Protocols
 - Parents observed that drop off protocols are not being followed in the morning. parents or caregivers must pull all the way up to the gym. If a parent or caregiver needs to get out of the car, they must park in a parking space.
 - Please no conversations with teachers while in car line
 - Suggestion to send email to class parents with car line protocol for distribution
 - Suggestion to make signs with “pull up” and “stop” for car line
- School Pictures, 10/24, 10/25, 10/26 - Becky
 - School pictures will be on Oct. 24, 25, and 26th. A schedule will be sent out by the school with specific dates and times for each class
- Rocca Catering Dinner Options for week of 10/23-10/26
 - Middle School fundraiser will be catering delivery service during week of Oct. 23-26
 - Rocca Catering will offer customized menu options with entrees
- Holiday Preparation- Gift Cards and Pies will go on sale Nov 1
 - Reminder that gift cards will be sold for holidays beginning Nov. 1 - guaranteed to arrive before break and school gets a percentage of the sales
 - Holiday pies and cakes will also be sold as a fundraiser
- Card Boxes - over \$500 raised for school - Kristy
 - Card Box orders will arrive night of October 6th and will be in the Main Office for pick up on Tuesday, October 10th
- Friday Walks - Marla & Kim
 - Friday walks are happening after primary dropoff on Fridays when there isn't a PA meeting
- Expense reimbursement & facilities requests - Marla
 - Chairs should check email from Marla and Kristy and reference procedures for expense reimbursement, facilities requests, and Google Drive
- Following the Village School Online - Kristy

- Facebook & Instagram - those requesting to be members of The Village School Parent Group on Facebook should answer security questions.
- Web Page and Calendar
 - Please read Wednesday Weekly for essential updates. Wednesday Weekly posted on parent page of The Village School Website
- Next PA meeting - Friday, 11/3
 - Will include Primary Panel as part of meeting

Wellness Week Updates

- Fun Run & Sneaker Collection - Kristy & Becky
 - Sneakers will be collected through next week until EOD Friday, 10/13
- Wellness Week events - Becky
 - Tuesday presentation on healthy habits
 - Wednesday mindfulness practice
 - Thursday rainbow of colors of fruits and vegetable for snack
 - Friday fun run

Guest Speaker - Alina Swanson, Be Brain Bright

- Presentation for parents on the science of healthy habits - Alina Swanson from Be Brain Bright gave a presentation on the science of healthy habits, which students will hear on Tuesday, October 10th