

PTO/FOG Committee Reports 12.19.16

We hope you all have a beautiful holiday full of love and laughs.

~PTO/FOG

PTO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PTO President & PTO Vice President -

Our first school-wide PTO Meeting of the new year will held on Jan 19 from 6-7:30pm in the library. During the meetings child care and a light snack for children three and over are provided in the cafeteria. Transportation to meetings is available if needed. Families must contact the main office on the day of the meeting to arrange transportation. Hope to see you there.

PTO VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Classroom Villages -

Attention 1st and 3rd Grade Families - Our holiday Classroom Village Event is Monday, December 19th from 6-7:30 in the school cafeteria. This event is for the whole family. We will channel the spirit of giving this holiday season by making cards for children who are hospitalized.

FRIENDS OF GROVELAND (FOG) - FUNDRAISING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Friends of Groveland (FOG) Co-Chairs -

Most, if not all, of the new library books have been processed and shelved! Thanks to the library staff and volunteers for their help with this project. This library upgrade of \$10,000 was made possible by you and the funds donated last year for the APEX FUN RUN.

Thank you for your generosity to our school's fall fundraisers! We are so appreciative to be able to fund amazing enrichment residencies for all students at Groveland (like the recently completed 2nd grade African Drumming residency with Brother Ghana). Your giving makes this possible.

Last week, many families participated in Davanni's Night which brought in \$347. The Direct Drive/Give to the Max Day has collected \$7,000. Celebrate Groveland has earned \$13,000 thus far. We are about \$6,000 behind our projections for these fundraisers. It is not too late to contribute as 2016 comes to a close! Here are 2 ways to give.

1. Direct Drive: 100% of your tax deductible donation goes to Groveland if you submit a check to Friends of Groveland. Checks can be dropped off or mailed to school.

Mail to: Friends of Groveland Park Elementary School
2045 St. Clair Avenue
St. Paul 55105

Give online: <https://www.givemn.org/organization/Friends-Of-Groveland-Park-School>

2. Groveland Gatherings: Meet people, build community, learn a new skill and have fun while supporting enrichment for all students at school. Groveland Gatherings are available for purchase at [Celebrate Groveland 2016](#). To sign up for an event--register as a user and then choose to buy a spot at the Groveland Gathering of your choice. You can also sign up for gatherings by contacting Justi Leroe @ justileroe@gmail.com The number of attendees is limited for each gathering so sign-up quickly.

Have a wonderful holiday break filled with love, peace and joy!

Christine and Heather

Box Tops -

Please keep collecting and clipping Box Tops! You can find Box Tops on General Mills items, Kleenex, Ziploc bags, cereals, Annie's, Mott's apple sauce, Lysol products, and so many more. Each Box Top earns 10 cents for Groveland! A little tip--we have collected extra by asking relatives and neighbors to save their Box Tops too. We will be collecting your baggies of Box Tops at the end of January. The winning class gets an ice cream party at Snuffy's! Thank you for your help!

Spirit Wear - Spirit Wear orders have now been separated and delivered to students at the school. If your order is missing, please contact Caroline Marin at carolinermarin@gmail.com. A second order will be added in the spring, and more information will follow in the coming months.