

PTO NEWS---October 2014

Bake Sales: The next bake sale will be held on November 7, 2014 and the donating class is the 4th grade. Please send items already individually bagged. All items are priced a quarter.

Box Tops and Soup Labels: The box tops will be determined by grade level. The Pre K a.m. and p.m. will be one grade level. Any grade level that brings in 1200 box tops or more will receive an ice cream reward party at the end of the year. The grade level that brings in the most box tops will receive a pizza party along with the ice cream party! Please put your box tops in a baggie with your teacher's name and grade level on it. The current box tops and soup label totals are being counted at this time. With the soup labels we were able to use our points towards obtaining recess items for the students. In August we purchased basketballs, soccer balls, a volleyball, footballs, and jump ropes, all with soup label points. Thank you for all the box tops and soup labels!

Halloween Parties: Have fun with your parties. All party organizing should be in full swing. Head room parents, please remember to always give the other room parents **at least** two weeks to organize their part of the party details. The Parade will start at 10:00 a.m. on October 31st with the parties to follow. Remember it is an 11:30 dismissal that day!

Meeting Date: The next meeting will be on November 13th at 4:30!

Christmas Market: The flyers will be coming home with the Christmas Market details. Be looking for those flyers the first week of November. The Market runs December 1st thru December 4th. Please volunteer if you can!

Recycling Service Project: We are continuing a used/unusable electronics recycling program in conjunction with Ecobuddies-Funding Factory. We are collecting inkjet and laser printer cartridges, cell phones, laptops, MP3 players, iPods, digital cameras, GPS systems and headphones (no ear buds). This program will also be active in the High School. All these **LISTED** items can be dropped off at the Elementary or High School Office. The Funding Factory is paying for the shipping of these electronic items, so we can help save our planet by recycling. The PTO will receive a minimum of 10 cents per item that qualifies. This is not a big fundraiser but a service to promote recycling in our community.

Coats for Valley Students: We are collecting jackets and winter coats for Valley Students. If you have a gently used or new coat, that you would like to donate, you may drop it off at school or contact a PTO member. Mrs. Collier is in charge of all the donations and distribution. The PTO will not be involved in who receives coats. We are here to help spread the word!

The PTO has a tab, on the Spoon River Valley website. Just go to <http://www.spoon-river.k12.il.us/> and under the Elementary heading click on PTO. The e-mail address is, pto@spoon-river.k12.il.us. Feel free to contact us with your constructive ideas. Thank you and have a great school year!

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