

October 2009

Franklin School P.T.A. Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Franklin School students,

This year is off to a great start! *We are excited that so many of you have offered to help out & that so many of you joined the PTA this year!* As always we welcome everyone that would like to participate! So if you have not already done so, please send in your PTA packet. We had a wonderful turnout at our first meeting and hope to continue that throughout the year. As mentioned at back to school night, we have a babysitter available to watch children in the art room starting at our October meeting. Thank you to Dr. Boyd for allowing us to use this room and supporting our effort to give more parents the opportunity to get involved. The babysitter's name is Erika. She is a parent of a child right here in our school. So please come and join us, our next PTA meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 13th at 7:30** in the school library. I hope to see you there!

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PTA President  
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### Join the PTA Today!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! Please join the Franklin School PTA. Membership is \$5.00 per person. Forms are available in the office. Thanks to those who have already joined! Any questions, contact Stephanie Rheinhardt at 862-219-5018.

### Cultural Arts

In October, the PTA and Cultural Arts Committee will be presenting Jack Branagan's "Earth Matters". This assembly will provide the children with information on reusing, recycling and how we can take care of our planet!!

### Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Funstuff Book you helped raise \$3,050!!!

### Box Tops for Education

Thank you for being part of the October Box Tops Champs contest. The winning class will be announced on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Who will be November's winner? The power is in your hands! **Congratulations to our Summer Contest Winners:** Kindergarten – Heather Schaab, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Liam Danielson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Jacob Martinelli, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Stephanie Panasiuk, and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Marissa Primo. **Watch out for the Box Tops Newsletter** coming your way on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you! – Geraldine Dasappan ([fsboxtops@gmail.com](mailto:fsboxtops@gmail.com))

Fall Catalog Sale: A gentle reminder that all catalog orders are due back to school by October 9th. Merchandise delivery is expected in November. **Thank you for your participation!**

Chess-at-Lunch Program: This program will run on most Tuesdays from October 27th through March during lunch this year. *It is a great way to develop critical thinking and social skills.* We are in need of additional **volunteers** to help set-up and clean-up of the chess boards this year. **No experience or knowledge of chess necessary.** If you can volunteer please call Meredith Spitzer at (973)584-6530 or Tamara Hageneder at (973)584-6530.

### Pictures

**We would love to see your pictures** of any Franklin School events. If you have any please forward them to Lisa Muscatello at [muscatello@mac.com](mailto:muscatello@mac.com)

### REFLECTIONS

#### **CALLING ALL CREATIVE KIDS!!!**

Do you like to write? How about take pictures, draw, compose music, dance, or create films? Then the REFLECTIONS program is for you! REFLECTIONS is a national Arts and Culture Contest sponsored by the PTA. Now is the time to start thinking about this year's theme: "**Beauty is. . .**" **Express yourself! It's fun!** Details to follow in coming newsletters.

UNICEF- Kids Helping Kids. The children of Franklin School will be making another donation to UNICEF this year. The traditional orange donation boxes will be distributed next month to those students interested in participating. They can ask neighbors for spare change while Trick or Treating or even earn extra money by doing chores around the house. Your contributions, no matter how small, will be combined and put to good use. UNICEF helps to fund education, medical supplies, clean water and nutritious foods to children around the world.

### Market Day

Thank you to everyone who participated in ordering in September. Our goal is \$3,000 we made **\$187**. This is such an easy way to help the school, order and enjoy! If you are sending in an order it's due by **Mon. 10/5**, if you are ordering by **internet** it's due by **Thurs. 10/8**. **Pick up is on Wed. 10/14** in the all purpose room from **4:30-5:30pm**. I want to thank all of the people who volunteered last month and look forward to seeing anyone else who would like to join the fun. Thank you Dara Seader

### Friend Finder

Thank you to all who sent in their forms for the Franklin Friend Finder! The committee is currently putting together what will be a great resource for finding staff, fellow students, and important information about Franklin. Thank you, too, to the many 4th graders who submitted drawings for the cover contest - results in next month's newsletter! Sincerely, Michelle Danielson & Kristen Brinkman

### BJ's Membership

Watch for upcoming BJ's Membership Promotion. Get 15 months for the price of 12 and save \$10 on the membership fee. More to come!

## Save the date:

PTA Meeting

Tuesday October 13, 2009

at 7:30

## **Babysitting available!!!!**

**\*\*Make your child smile  
Be involved\*\***