

Nixon Elementary School Newsletter

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Letter From The PTA President

November, here we come. The start of the holiday season is upon us and Nixon School is bustling with events. Coming up we have our Veteran’s Day Assembly on November 11th and our First Thanksgiving assembly on November 24th. In the spirit of giving thanks, thank you goes out to Patty Padakis and the Book Fair crew for all their hard work. The book fair was a huge success. Also, a special thanks to Dee Merring and the Halloween committee for a “spook”tacular evening of fun and dancing.

The classrooms have had their first parties of the year. Don’t forget to please send in your classroom donation money to your child’s room parent if you haven’t already done so. This money is used by the room parents to purchase crafts and approved food and drinks for the parties.

Last month the PTA meeting featured the 4th grade. Their presentations were fantastic and informative. Thank you to all our students, teachers and parents who participated. Don’t miss our next PTA meeting on Tuesday, November 9th at 7pm when we will feature the 3rd grade.

Finally, thank you to Stuart Marcus for taking charge of the newsletter, meeting agenda and minutes. He is doing a tremendous job for Nixon School in his first year as secretary. If you have any questions or suggestions for the Nixon PTA, please feel free to contact me at (973) 601-3034 or asarafin@optimum.net.

Family Fun Night

We had another fun Halloween dance on Friday, October 29th! Thank you to all of those who volunteered and helped make our Halloween dance so much fun!

Market Day News

The Market Day program offers great food at great prices, and it is also a fundraiser for Nixon School. **Orders must be received by Wednesday, November 10th at 11:00pm. Pick-up is Tuesday, November 16th from 6:45 – 7:45 in the Nixon cafeteria.**



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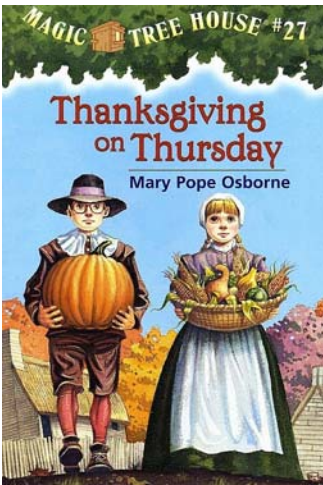
November School Assembly

On Wednesday, November 24th at 10am, Box of Light Theatre presents the story of **The First Thanksgiving** to the children of Nixon School. Meet John Howland (who fell off the Mayflower), the Billington Boys (who were almost thrown off), Squanto (who saved the Pilgrims) and Giles (who helped set the table on that fine day). Listen to a great story with some great characters. Afternoon kindergarteners are welcome to join us with their parents.



Book Swap – Nov. 18th

Kids, do you need something new to read? You can bring in one or two of your age appropriate books you've already read and swap it for another one. **Book swap** is held once a month on a Thursday during 1st-4th grade lunches. Kindergarten book swap is held during their class. AM is 11:15am and PM is 1:40pm.



Who's New At Nixon



My name is Georgia Grant and I am the new computer teacher at Nixon School on Mondays and Wednesday. I am the computer teacher at Franklin School on the other days. Even though I am new to Nixon School, I am not new to the Roxbury Public Schools. I graduated from Roxbury High School and then did my student teaching at the Jefferson School in third grade. I was very lucky to get a job at Franklin School right after I graduated from college. I was hired by Mr. Moschella to teach first grade. That was 36 years ago. I taught first grade at Franklin School for 29 years and then became the computer teacher 7 years ago. I think I would love to teach whatever I was asked to do!

I live in Succasunna with my husband Jimmy and my two daughters Stephanie and Lindsey. My husband teaches sixth grade in Saddle Brook and my daughter Lindsey teaches kindergarten in Boonton. My daughter Stephanie is currently student teaching in third grade in Randolph and will be graduating in December. As you can see I come from a family of teachers.

I am enjoying getting to know the students, teachers and families at Nixon School!

Reflections "Together We Can"

Entry deadline is November 1, 2010- Be sure to get those entries in! Reflection entries will be displayed at the Ledgewood Mall from March 8th through March 30th. For those students that participated in the Reflection program the District Ceremony will be held at Eisenhower Middle School on April 5 at 6:30pm.

Holiday Gift Making

The annual Holiday Gift Making event will be held on Saturday December 4th. Each child will have the opportunity to come and make several handcrafted gifts for this holiday season. Volunteers needed. Sign up forms will be sent home soon!

Any questions, please contact
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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Nov 4 - 5 – School Closed
- ◆ Nov 9 – PTA Meeting at 7:00pm
- ◆ Nov 10 – Parent Visitation
- ◆ Nov 11 – Veterans Day Assembly
- ◆ Nov 16 – Market Day Pickup at 6:45pm
- ◆ Nov 18 – Book Swap
- ◆ Nov 18 – Parents As Reading Partners
- ◆ Nov 24 – 4 ½ Hour Day
- ◆ Nov 25 - 26 – School Closed - Thanksgiving