

# Paw Power Newsletter



April 2011

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## PTO News

At our April PTO meeting, we invited the incoming Parkman families to attend and share their ideas and thoughts about next year's changes. Together, we will all make next year a positive experience for our new Parkman Elementary School. Even though Parkman will have a new look next year, we are committed to maintaining the enthusiasm and excitement that all of the PTOs bring to their schools. In addition to April Vacation, you will see several exciting events

happening this month. The week of 4/11-4/14 will be the Annual B.O.G.O. Scholastic Book Fair. Thursday, 4/14, is our Annual Ice Cream Social & Raffle Basket Night starting at 6pm. Come to the All Purpose Room and have an ice cream sundae served by our own Parkman teachers! Lastly, the Magic Plant fundraiser will be available for pick up during the Ice Cream Social.

Moving forward, we are already planning the last few months of school before summer vacation... coming next month:

- Teacher Appreciation Week ~ What is your

teacher's favorite color? Get your flowers ready! Start writing your poem! Details coming soon....

- Food Boat ~ Our classroom contest is about helping those in need and supporting our community.
- Box Tops Contest ~ Let's see which FAMILY can bring in the most Box Tops!
- Red Robin Night ~ Grab dinner out on 5/18 and support our school while you dine!

Happy Spring!

Corrina Raymond  
Parkman PTO President

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## From the Principal's Desk

We have concluded our 4th One School/One Book for another year. All students who participated in the weekly Trivia Contest were entered in a final drawing that was held on Monday, March 28, 2011. Three grand prize winners were chosen and received \$10 gift

certificates from Barnes and Noble. Students were also treated to the movie, The Indian in the Cupboard as a culminating activity on Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Enfield Junior Women's Club held its annual town wide spelling bee at JFK on Monday,

April 4<sup>th</sup>. Participants from Parkman for the grade 5/6 spelling bee were Alexandra Anderson and Meaghan Doherty. Michael Pelligrino was the alternate. The following students represented our school during the 4<sup>th</sup> grade bee: Victoria Chorvat and Sean

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<p>Lovering. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade alternate was Brendan DeBarber. Thank you for representing Parkman so well.</p> <p>Parkman staff will be participating in the PTO's annual Book Fair/Ice Cream Social event on Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:15. They are also participating in the basket raffle by sponsoring a book basket. Hope to see many families at this fun evening.</p> <p>Finally, I am again reminding parents that parking alongside the gym area or in any other area where the curbing is painted yellow is</p>	<p>illegal. The following are your options when picking up students in the parking lot at dismissal time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If there are no parking spaces available, exit the parking lot, reenter and circle around again.</li> <li>• Pick up your child a few minutes after the dismissal bell. This would allow time for some of the parked vehicles to exit the parking lot and free up a parking space. Please remember, there is always a staff member on duty so no child will be left alone.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come to school about 10 minutes before the dismissal bell so that you may get a parking space.</li> <li>• You can also choose to have your child walk home with other children.</li> </ul> <p>Please remember that the safety of our students is our utmost concern.</p> <p>Enjoy the nice weather and the upcoming vacation.</p> <p><i>Maureen Sampl</i></p>
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## Dates to Remember...

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**4/11 - 4/14**

Buy One Get One FREE  
Book Fair - Classroom  
schedule sent home.

**4/14**

Evening Book Fair (5 pm -  
6 pm) & Ice Cream Social  
(6 pm - 7:15 pm).  
Fundraiser Plant pickup  
also during Ice Cream  
Social.

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**5/4**

PTO Meeting at 6:30  
p.m. in the library

**5/18**

Red Robin Night

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**6/1**

PTO Meeting at 6:30  
p.m. in the library

**6/8**

Field Day! - Volunteer  
information to be sent  
home soon. Rain date is  
June 9<sup>th</sup>.



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>From the Library</b></p> <p>Happy Spring Everyone!!</p> <p>It has been a looonnnggg winter, but now that the snow has melted, the trees are budding, the flowers are popping up, and in the Library: the new 2012 NUTMEG NOMINEES have emerged! So make sure you stop into the Library, take a look and "pick" one or two for yourself! I hope you read a whole bunch!</p> <p>Linda Nadeau Library Aide</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PTO Board</b></p> <p>At our April meeting, we held nominations and elections for next year's PTO Executive Board. The positions for 2011/2012 are as follows:</p> <p><b>President:</b> Corrina Raymond  <b>Vice President:</b> Carolyn Kita  <b>Treasurer:</b> Jen Soroka  <b>Parliamentarian:</b> Kim Bryson  <b>Recording Secretary:</b> Sarah Cooney  <b>Corresponding Secretary:</b> OPEN</p> <p>Several committee positions were filled, but we still need many volunteers. If you are interested in finding out more information, please email or call any of the Board members.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ice Cream Social</b></p> <p>Parkman's Annual Ice Cream Social will be held on Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, from 6 - 7:15 p.m. Raffle winners will be drawn at 7:15. Come and have a delicious ice cream sundae served to you by the great teachers of Parkman!! Raffle tickets will be pre-sold and sold that night: 3/\$1 or an arm's length for \$5. Ice cream tickets will be \$1.25 and will be pre-sold and sold at the door.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Campbell's Labels</b></p> <p>Thank you to everyone that sent in Campbell's Labels so far this year. We've had a tremendous amount of points sent in, including several high-value certificates! The points will be put to good use next year when the teachers are in need of new classroom supplies. Just a reminder - please do not send in labels glued to plain paper. Either send them in Ziploc bags or attached to a 5-point sheet (see last page).</p>	<p>A few new products that now have Labels for Education are Pop-Secret, Post cereals, and BIC pens. Every label sent in helps the school earn FREE educational equipment!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ink Recycling</b></p> <p>The PTO needs ink cartridges to recycle - we are completely out! Staples will give us \$2 in Rewards for each cartridge we recycle. We can recycle up to 10 cartridges per month for a total of \$20 in Staples Rewards. The Staples Rewards we have earned this year have paid for all of the paper the PTO purchased this school year!</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Coke Rewards</b></p> <p>Donate 5 points to Parkman at <a href="http://www.mycokerewards.com">www.mycokerewards.com</a> between now and April 30<sup>th</sup> for a chance to win one of two \$10,000 school library upgrades!</p>	



# REWARDS PROGRAMS – EASY PTO FUNDRAISING!

Ask your families, friends, and neighbors if they'll support Parkman & Parkman PTO by doing the following:



## Box Tops for Education:

Look for this logo on specially marked packages. Go to [www.orgsites.com/ct/parkmanpto/](http://www.orgsites.com/ct/parkmanpto/) and click on 'Rewards Programs' to download a Box Top collection sheet. All attached Box Tops must have a valid expiration date. Place your name and room number on the sheet and deposit it in the collection container in the Visitor's Room. **We earned \$1,639 this year!**



Earn 5% for our school online or in Foot Locker stores, using code **FNLT**. This code also works for 1-800-Flowers, where you will earn 8% for our school!



## Target Take Charge of Education:

Enroll your REDcard with Parkman's school code (#38661) online, or by calling 1-800-316-6142, and Parkman will receive a percentage from your everyday purchases!

**We have 19 cardholders signed up and we earned \$188.63 this year!**



Does your employer donate to charities, offer a matching gift program, or have local schools listed as a United Way beneficiary? You may be able to raise funds for Parkman utilizing your human resource department!



## Campbell's Labels for Education:

Send in the UPC codes from specially marked products and we'll earn school products! A collection container is located in the Visitor's Room. To sign up for the eLabels for Education program, go here: [www.softcoin.com/Sites/Campbells\\_eLabels](http://www.softcoin.com/Sites/Campbells_eLabels)  
**We have 21,810 points so far this year!**



**mycokerewards for schools**  
Enter codes from Coca-cola products at [www.mycokerewards.com](http://www.mycokerewards.com), and then select Edgar H. Parkman Elementary School to donate points. **We have 1,310 points so far this year!**



## ShopRite for Education:

All you need to do is register your ShopRite Shopping Card for Parkman in order for our school to earn much needed educational equipment. Sign up here: [www.shoprite.com/educatemain.aspx](http://www.shoprite.com/educatemain.aspx)



Teach kids the importance of recycling while raising money for our school. Staples will donate \$3 to our school for every ink cartridge we collect. A collection box is located in the Visitor's Room.



## Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards:

With A+ School Rewards, points accrue with each purchase made. Sign up with our school code (#08956) here: [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus)



## Bottle and Can Drive:

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade committee is collecting returnable bottles and cans. A collection bin is located between the front doors of the school. Call Sue Rivera (860-205-0098) if you have a large donation.



April 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6 PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m.	7	8	9
10	11 Book Fair	12 Early Dismissal	13 Book Fair	14 Book Fair & Ice Cream Social	15 Swap Day	16
17	18 Spring Vacation	19 →	20 →	21 →	22 →	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m.	5	6	7
8	9	10 Early Dismissal	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Red Robin Night	19	20	21
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29	30 No School	31				





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### 5-point Collection

# Clip UPCs – The Points Really Add Up! It's as Easy as 1 - 2 - 3!

1. **Collect** 5-point product UPCs from **Labels for Education®** participating products.\*
2. **Glue** them on the collection sheet.
3. **Turn in** your completed collection sheet to your school!

\* See Participating Products list at [LabelsForEducation.com](http://LabelsForEducation.com)



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<p><b>1</b></p> <p>CLIP &amp; EARN 5 POINT FOR YOUR SCHOOL!</p>  <p>labelsforeducation.com</p>  <p>0 00000 00000 0</p> <p>Place 5-Point UPC Here!</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>CLIP &amp; EARN 5 POINT FOR YOUR SCHOOL!</p>  <p>labelsforeducation.com</p>  <p>0 00000 00000 0</p> <p>Place 5-Point UPC Here!</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>CLIP &amp; EARN 5 POINT FOR YOUR SCHOOL!</p>  <p>labelsforeducation.com</p>  <p>0 00000 00000 0</p> <p>Place 5-Point UPC Here!</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>CLIP &amp; EARN 5 POINT FOR YOUR SCHOOL!</p>  <p>labelsforeducation.com</p>  <p>0 00000 00000 0</p> <p>Place 5-Point UPC Here!</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>CLIP &amp; EARN 5 POINT FOR YOUR SCHOOL!</p>  <p>labelsforeducation.com</p>  <p>0 00000 00000 0</p> <p>Place 5-Point UPC Here!</p>
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