

Paw Power Newsletter



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PTO News

Spring is finally around the corner and the PTO has been planning some great events for this season! The Ice Cream Social will be on Thursday, April 14th. Room Parents have been rallied and will be sending information home soon! This event is tons of fun and couldn't be possible without the support of the Parkman Community! As always, the Ice

Cream Social is held during the week of the Spring Book Fair where all items are buy one get one FREE!

Two exciting visitors will be coming to Parkman this season. Enfield's very own Cindy Luvolo Lurie will be presenting her first published children's book, *Carolyn and Her Tiny Red House*. We will also welcome Fidelco's *Watch Me Grow* program.

Be on the lookout for Butter Braid and Magic Plant fundraiser forms. All items will be delivered in time for the spring holidays.

Thank you to all who came to the Student Showcase! What a success!

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From the Principal's Desk

Connecticut Mastery Tests are under way. Third through sixth grade students will complete their tests on March 16th. The PTO will be providing a treat and a drink to all K – 6 students on March 16th to thank them for their participation in one way or another in the mastery tests. I

appreciate the commitment of our students to do the best they can during the testing window. I also want to thank the staff for their efforts in preparing your children to do their best.

We have an opening for a lunch aide. The hours are 11:30 – 1:15 five days per week. If you

are interested, contact Jeannette Lamontagne at 860-253-6539.

As always, my door is always open if you need to talk to me about anything.

Maureen Sampl

<p>Nurse's Notes</p> <p>It's hard to believe that Spring is just around the corner...at least we hope!</p> <p>Mrs. Peterson has completed hearing and vision screening on all students. If you received a notice referring your child to a doctor for further evaluation, please return the form to the school nurse after the doctor has examined your child and completed the form. Scoliosis screening on all 5th grade students and most of the 6th grade students has also been completed.</p> <p>We have begun to see more illness</p>	<p>than in past months. Cases of strep, flu, the "stomach bug" and other viruses with and without fevers have been on the increase. I would like to remind parents that your child should be kept out of school for at least 24 hours after any fever has remained normal without medication and at least 24 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhea. If your child is diagnosed with strep, they must be out at least 24 hours after the first dose of antibiotic is given. Despite what the doctor tells you, the Enfield Public Schools policy states that they must be on an antibiotic for at least 24 hours before returning to school.</p>	<p>It is extremely important that you notify the school every time your child is diagnosed with such diseases as strep, scarlet fever, flu, pneumonia, pink eye, fifth disease, impetigo, ring worm, mono, head lice, coxsackie, or chicken pox. This is true even if they are diagnosed over a weekend or vacation period. These are communicable diseases which we are required to report to the state (numbers of cases only - no names are given).</p> <p>I wish everyone a happy, HEALTHY spring!</p> <p>Sue Peterson, RN, NCSN</p>
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Event Information



From the Library

WE HAVE A WINNER! *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies is the official Connecticut Nutmeg Winner for 2011! It just happens to also be the Parkman favorite as well as the Enfield favorite! Congratulations Jacqueline Davies!

We now await the arrival of the new batch of Nutmeg nominee books to Parkman Library. If you were unable to vote this year, start reading right away! The next vote isn't until January 2012, which should be plenty of time to read enough Nutmeg books to be able to vote. Be a part of the fun next year!

Linda Nadeau
Library Aide

Coming Next Month...

April 6
PTO Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

April 12 - 14
Scholastic Book Fair - Buy one get one FREE!

April 14
Ice Cream Social - 6 pm - 7:30 pm

April 15
Swap Day - Teachers dress like students and children dress like their favorite teacher.

April 28
Visiting Author Cindy Luvolo Lurie



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/ 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 \$956 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!



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!

We have 20 cardholders signed up and we earned \$188.63 this year!



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
We have 21,694 points so far this year!



mycokerewards for schools

Enter codes from Coca-cola products at www.mycokerewards.com, and then select Edgar H. Parkman Elementary School to donate points. **We have 1,300 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.shoprte.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



Bottle and Can Drive:

The 5th 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.



March 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 	18 Sports Day	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6 PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m.	7	8	9
10	11	12 Book Fair 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

