

THE SEAGULL GAZETTE

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PTA President

The PTA Planning meeting is Tuesday, November 18th. We hope you will join us in the library at 7:00pm! We are in need of a chairperson for the book fair in the spring. Please consider volunteering your time.

Volunteers remember to log in your volunteer hours in the blue book when you come into the school. These numbers are important in our record keeping. You are so important to the daily function of the school and your efforts are truly appreciated!

THANK YOU to all the PAE families who have supported our "stress free" fundraiser. I hope you joined us for our first BINGO night. Many thanks to the volunteers who helped make it a fun night for everyone. We raised \$900 towards the purchase of a Smart Board. The school's goal is to have a Smart Board in every classroom. If you don't know what a Smart Board is ask your child. Our children are learning in the age of technology and PAE strives to be at the top. A Smart Board cost \$1,400 and we need to purchase 15 more to reach our goal of one per classroom. The PTA is also purchasing three document readers for use in various classrooms.

Your PTA has so many events happening and I hope you take the opportunity to enjoy some of them. Take advantage of the pumpkin ice-cream cakes, the discounted holiday lights at the beach tickets, and of course Santa's breakfast. Mark you calendars to join us for Santa's Breakfast on December 6th.

More fun events are coming and we are always looking for new ideas, new volunteers, and new projects. It is never too late to become an active member of the PTA!

Happy Thanksgiving ~
Teresa Campbell
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2008 PTA Reflections Program "Wow"

Thank you to everyone who participated in the PTA Reflections Contest this year! We had many wonderful entries and the judging is almost complete. Be listening for the winners in the morning announcements later this week! Please mark your calendars for Tuesday evening, December 2nd for the Reflections Celebration. Invitations will be sent home next week. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Terri Weaver, Reflections Chairman
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PTA Membership News

Just another "THANK YOU" to all of you that have joined the PAE PTA! I have finally gotten all the membership cards completed! WHEW! They should be coming home with your child today, or you may have already received yours. Every class did extremely well and those classes who did reach 100% will be receiving an ice cream treat. If you have any questions concerning membership, please feel free to contact me.

Theresa Mejia
PAE PTA Membership
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Mark Your Calendars!

Nov. 10 th -14 th	Coat Drive
Nov. 11 th	Veteran's Day Holiday
Nov. 12 th	Founder's Day Scholarship Silent Auction Planning Meeting
Nov. 12 th	Deadline for Original Works
Nov. 13 th	Family Math Night
Nov. 14 th	Deadline for Spirit Wear Sale
Nov. 18 th	PTA Meeting
Dec. 6 th	Santa's Breakfast
Dec. 10 th	Winter Concert



Family Math Night

Parents and Students...please join us on Thursday, Nov.13th, from 7-9 pm.

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us at Princess Anne Elementary for a turbocharged FAMILY MATH NIGHT. There will be math games and fun for all ages, so bring the whole crew. While you're here don't forget to take a pit stop and check out the new and FASTT MATH program for grades 3-5. See how our students are winning the race to learn their basic math facts. Students and families in grades kindergarten through 5th will have a WINNING time, so get ready to **START YOUR ENGINES and join the fun!! BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

Sandy Overcash



Coat Drive

The fifth-grade classes, in conjunction with WAVY-TV 10, will be collecting new and gently-used coats for the needy children in the Tidewater area. **The Coat Drive will run November 10-14.** Coats may be dropped off in the school's foyer each morning. **Each coat will go a long way in helping others.**

Mark Bonney



Seagull Spirit Wear Sale!!!!

The deadline for turning in order forms is this Friday, November 14th. With the Holiday Season right around the corner, order forms need to be turned in by the deadline so items are received before Winter Break.

PAES PTA makes a profit on every t-shirt and sweatshirt that is purchased. Help us reach our goal of having a Smart Board in every classroom!

Please fill out the order form completely and include your phone number in the event we need to contact you about your order. Checks should be made payable to **PAES PTA**. If you have any questions about the order form or other spirit items, please contact **Lisa Whitney** at fivewhitneys@cox.net or 301-7759.



Original Works

ORIGINAL ARTWORK fundraiser is running right now. Each student has completed their beautiful artwork for you to put on key chains, magnets, tiles, note cards, etc... Each student should have received a packet explaining how the program is run and how to send in an order. These are GREAT keepsakes or gifts without having to go to the mall and fight the crowds. Please remember that orders are due back by **Wednesday, November 12th**. Checks can be made out to PAES PTA and the orders go back to the homeroom teachers. Thanks for your support.

Artfully,
Melinda Vooss
Shannon Coleman

If you would like to submit more than one piece of art, please make sure it is 8x10 1/2". We have extra forms and paper! All you have to do is fill out the order form and return both copies, with payment made to PAE PTA to school a.s.a.p. **We CANNOT accept late orders so please send in by Wednesday, November 12th.**

Bobbi Vinsand

Counselor Corner

This month we will be joining the classes during their computer time, in the computer Lab. We will have a round robin of activities that teach and support internet/online safety. We did this last year and the kids loved it! We have changed the activities, so there will be new things to do. The web sites the kids are visiting are available in the links section of our School Net page.

Attention 5th Grade Parents~ We will be hosting a Middle School Information Night on Thursday, November 20th from 7-8 pm. We will explain the course selection process and have Curriculum guides available. Mrs. Mary Cerrone, Director of Guidance at Princess Anne Middle School will be there also! Please plan to come and get a "head start" on planning for next year! As always, please feel free to call us if you have any questions or concerns!

Annie Johnson (5th, 3rd, 1st, and Kindergarten students) 648-3493
Laura McMahon (4th & 2nd grade students)
~Wednesdays only~ 648-3492



Santa Claus is coming to town...

To Princess Anne Elementary, that is. He'll arrive on December 6th to have breakfast with all the good little boys and girls. We are offering two seatings for breakfast. The first is 8:30-9:15AM and the second seating is from 9:30-10:15AM. A flyer will be sent home soon with breakfast and ticket information.

Don't miss out on this exciting event!! If you'd like to help out with this event please contact **Shelly Hughes** at 430-3934 or shellybhughes@cox.net



Winter Concert

December 10th
7:00 p.m.
PAE Cafeteria

PAE Strings are combining with Ocean Lakes Elementary Strings to present a Holiday Concert. PAE Chorus will present a short musical, *Paint the Town December* by Roger Emerson and John Jacobson

Mrs. White needs 58 paintbrushes and painter's hats for this show! All sizes are welcome! Scour your garage and storage areas and send in some old paintbrushes. We also need about six or eight paint cans (emptied, of course.) If you have one to lend please send it in to the Music Room with you name on it. Thanks so much!



The Shamrock Final Mile Run

The Shamrock Final Mile Run will be **Saturday, March 21st at 10:30 am.** Just a reminder, all registrations will be done online this year. Go ahead and sign up now!

Jerry Killmeyer
648-3480 ex. 54368



Holiday Lights at the Beach

Tickets are on sale now! For each ticket sold at only \$7.00 each, the PTA retains \$3.00 of it. Tickets at the gate are \$10.00 each. You save \$3.00 just for purchasing it though the school. What a great way to get into the holiday spirit. Holiday Lights will be open on Friday, November 21st and close on Thursday, January 1st. We only have 200 to sell so get them now! For more information please call...

Bobbi Vinsand at 430-3199

Applications for Gifted Programs

Applications for the programs listed below are available from Mrs. Spence. The deadline date for all applications is Monday, February 2, 2009.

- Kemps Landing Magnet School
- Old Donation Center
- Middle Years Program at Plaza Middle School
- Dance Education and Visual Arts Programs at ODC

If you would like an application call **Mrs. Spence at 648-3480 Ext: 54350** or send an e-mail to anna.spence@vbschools.com



TALENT SHOW

Start thinking of your acts NOW and start practicing! Information on the Annual Talent Show will be coming home next month with auditions taking place in EARLY January.

Founder's Day Scholarship Silent Auction Planning Meeting

The first planning meeting for the Founder's Day Scholarship Silent Auction will be this Wednesday, Nov. 12th, at 3:15 pm in room #4. ALL ARE WELCOME!



Stress Free Fundraiser

The winner of the "Super Seagull" drawing for the goodie basket is Alex and Ryan Garner in Mrs. Tecson's and Mrs. Thrasher's rooms.

Congratulations on winning! We hope you both enjoy all the goodies.

Super Seagulls, please look for an envelope to come home soon with your coupon for a free book at the Spring Book Fair and 3 tickets for the Ice Cream Social class raffle baskets. **Please hang on to both because they cannot be replaced.** Thanks all you Super Seagulls!

It's never too late to donate to the Stress Free Fundraiser or join the PTA. If you need a form, please e-mail Bobbi Vinsand at vinsand@cox.net. Please include your child's name and teacher and all the Super Seagull perks will be sent home to you!



From the Seagulls Nest...

RECYCLE

In 2007-2008 Virginia Beach City Public Schools recycled 1,236 tons of recyclable items. This is equivalent to saving:

- 21,012 trees
- 469,680 gallons of oil
- 3,708 cubic yards of landfill space
- 4,944,00 kilowatts of energy (*enough to power 618 homes for one year*)
- 8,652,000 gallons of water

Food Service recycles milk chugs, juice containers, water bottles, paper, cardboard, and aluminum cans. We recycle approximately 800,000 milk chugs per month.

Did you know?

- When an aluminum can is recycled it can be back in stores within 60 days.
- 20 cans can be made from recycled material using the same energy it takes to make one new can.
- There's no limit to the number to times glass and aluminum can be recycled.

America Recycles Day is November 15. Recycling protects our environment. Are you and your family doing your part in saving our natural resources?

The Office of Food Services is doing their part in conserving resources for our children's future!

Diane Swan

The Bedford Falls Book Fair is Coming!

It will kick off in the library Saturday, December 6 at Santa's Breakfast and continue through Thursday, December 11.

The hours will be:

Saturday (Dec. 6) 8:00-11:00

Monday-Thursday (Dec.8-11) 8:15-3:00

Wednesday-8:15-3:00 and 5:00pm-7:00pm (Winter Concert)

Teacher wish lists will be available. Books make great teacher gifts!

For all our fans of the book *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney, you will have the opportunity to pre-order the third book in the series due to be shipped when released in January.

We will also be sponsoring a book drive for REACH, a local organization that places books in the hands of children dealing with domestic violence and homelessness. The class that contributes the greatest number of books from the fair will win a pizza party!

So, kick off the Holiday Season by visiting the book fair and checking out all the latest in children's books.

Quick Reference Guide to Your PTA Executive Board:

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If you have any questions please contact me, Lisa Whitney, at fivewhitneys@cox.net or 301-7759.

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