



Brown School PTA Newsletter

May 14, 2008

Remember to pick up your dishes from Appreciation Week on the PTA table!

Many Thanks!



Thank you one and all for contributing to the success of last week's Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week! In addition to Monday's welcome and Tuesday's breakfast and visit from Joan Benoit Samuelson, Wednesday's treat included chocolate medals from Haven's Candies. Thursday's International Buffet provided many incredible flavors from all areas of the world. Friday was raffle day, and thanks to the generosity of so many families and local businesses, all 54 members of Brown's staff won a unique prize!

The Olympic themed celebration of those who guide, motivate and educate our children provided a week full of exciting surprises and delicious indulgences. The PTA mailbox is spilling over with thoughtful notes of gratitude from teachers and staff! They have even created a huge 'Thank You Parents' sign in the windows in the front of the building that faces the bus loop and flag pole, so be sure to look as you drop your child off tomorrow morning.

Recipes

If you are the chef behind any of the delicious breakfast and luncheon foods provided last week and are willing to share your recipe, parent Deb Deiley is putting together a recipe booklet. A copy will be given to the staff who are still talking about all the terrific dishes sent in by parents last week. You can email your recipe to tdeiley1@maine.rr.com as soon as possible, if you haven't done so already.

Helpful 5th Grade Reminders

- Enjoy your trip to Boston tomorrow!
- May 22, 6-7pm, Parent Information Meeting at Mahoney Middle School
- May 28, 7pm, Band Concert at South Portland High School
- June 6, 5th Grade Social at the Boys and Girls Club in South Portland, return your forms! Extras are available on the PTA table.

Vote Update

According to this morning's Portland Press Herald, South Portland voters approved the 2008-2009 school budget!

Resource from National PTA

National PTA has provided our PTA with a limited number of booklets regarding video games, parental controls and online safety. Working with the Entertainment Software Rating Bureau (ESRB), PTA provided a guide along with tips and additional resource information related to computer/online gaming. Booklets are available on the PTA table, please take one if you are interested. We can order more if needed.

At a Glance:

Friday Popcorn— 25 cents, proceeds benefit Mrs. Dixon's 1st grade classroom

Art Show & Ice Cream Social—Thursday evening, May 29th at Brown School, details to follow

Chalkboard—Friday, June 6, 9:15am at Central Office Conference room with Superintendent Suzanne Godin

Can & Bottle Return Program at Main St. Redemption in South Portland! We've earned \$85 already!



PTA at Work!

Providing costume funding for Mrs. Dixon's Grade I Play

- "Thank you for giving us the money for our play. How nice of you!"-Akhiya
- "In the play I sang and danced."-Molly and Anita
- "If you didn't give us money we wouldn't of had the costumes."-Cliff
- "I had fun. I was a strawberry."-Foster

Along with a neatly written thank you booklet, the cover included a picture of all the children in their costumes! There were slices of bread, swiss cheese, carrots, even an oreo!