

# David Fairchild Elementary PTA

## Newsletter

November/ December 2014



### November Activities

- 4<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Planning Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> - Report Cards sent home, 5th grade Picnic Committee meeting @ 6:30 pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> - Sharing Under the Stars (Gifted Students 6 pm)
- 11<sup>th</sup> - No School
- 12<sup>th</sup> - 2nd Grade Field Trip and Ms. Wheeler Field Trip
- 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> - Book Fair
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Science Fair Projects Due
- 17<sup>th</sup> - PTA Board Meeting @ 7 pm in Media Center
- 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Honor Roll
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Picture Make up day
- 20<sup>th</sup> Interim Progress Reports Go Home
- 21<sup>st</sup> - Career Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Pow Wow @ 9 am
- 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> - No School

### December Activities

- 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> - Holiday Shop
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Parent Night to view Science Projects @ 6 p.m.
- 10<sup>th</sup> - 1st Grade Field Trip
- 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> - Music Show @ 7 p.m.
- 16<sup>th</sup> - Field Day 2nd and 3rd Grade
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Field Day PK & Kinder
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Field Day 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade



**The Fall Fundraiser** was a success! Thank you to all the parents that supported the event. The Fall Fundraiser's Adoption Party will be held on November 24<sup>th</sup>. As part of event, the Southeastern Guide Dog Organization will be joining us so that the students at the event can meet some of the service dogs and learn about this great community organization. Additionally, the PTA will be contributing a portion of proceeds from the fundraiser sales to this organization. There will also be an opportunity to make an additional contribution to this organization starting November 17<sup>th</sup> for those students and parents who wish to do so. **Orders placed will be delivered to your child's class the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December.**

### Fall Book Fair

A wonderful selection of books is headed our way!

Our Fall Scholastic Book Fair will be held in Room A-4 from Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday November 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and Thursday until

6 pm. At the Book Fair you will find

a great selection of the latest titles for kids of all levels as well for parents. Teachers will have the opportunity to create a wish list of books that can be purchased for their classroom libraries. The Book Fair is a great way to get our kids excited about reading and an opportunity to do some holiday shopping! Books can also be purchased online:

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/davidfairchildelemschool> starting on November 5. Please support our PTA and join us for this exciting event! Parents will be able to purchase books with their child in the morning prior to school beginning each morning.



### Faculty & Staff Birthdays

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| 11/2 - Ms. Maritza Zamorano      | 12/12- Ms. Lucy Amengual       |
| 11/3 - Mr. Michael Thomas        | 12/18 - Mr. Jose Vazquez       |
| 11/5 - Ms. Sharyllynn Shaw       | 12/20- Ms. Michelle Curbelo    |
| 11/29- Ms. Rocio Alfaro          | 12/25- Ms. Kathleen Lingswiler |
| 12/1- Ms. Dalgis Verdecia        | 12/26 - Mr. Esteban Gonzalez   |
| 12/10 - Ms. Eileen Diaz-Silveira |                                |
| 12/12- Ms. Angie Shaheen         |                                |

### Your PTA \$\$\$ at Work

Thanks to your contribution the PTA was able to fund so far this year:

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| -Student Planners & Folders \$2,032.50        | -Library Aid \$10,000                    |
| -AR Reader Membership Renewal \$5,000         | -ACT Fund (2) Reading Lab Aides \$20,000 |
| -New Copy Machine for Teachers Lounge \$1,047 | -Pre-K Circle Time Rug \$385             |
| -Field Landscaping \$700.00                   | -Color Printers for Classrooms \$1,400   |



**Box Tops** poured in and the totals are still being tallied. The grade level that brought in the most Box Tops will win a special treat. The classroom within that grade level that brought in the most Box Tops will also win the Box Tops trophy, \$100 toward the teacher's classroom account and "BARKING" rights. Thanks to all the students, parents and teachers that made this collection a success.

We are no longer taking Box Tops at this time. However, if you still have Box Tops to turn in, hold on to them for the final competition coming this Spring.



Thank you to all the parents, friends and staff that have supported our school by joining the PTA. To date, we have 510 adult memberships. Congratulations to the following classes for achieving 100% class and teacher participation - Ms. Pena, Ms. Cohen, Ms. Soberats, Ms. Diaz-Silveira, Ms. Thompson, and Ms. Casanova-Perez. The deadline to join is December 12th.

Don't Delay and Join Today!

Looking for help on how to write a bibliography for a science project? Look no further than our own [David Fairchild website](#). Click on "[Media Center](#)" on our home page for a list of Ms. Siru's helpful links! Many resources such as [starfall.com](#), [abcteach.com](#), [funbrain.com](#), [worldbookonline.com](#) and many others are available on her page. AR winners and Spelling Bee Winners are announced on the site. There are also many other helpful hints. Ms. Siru's Media Center is a wonderful resource for both parent and child! Please e-mail her any feedback or requests [hsiru@dadeschools.net](mailto:hsiru@dadeschools.net)

**THANK YOU** for donating your money and your time to our **United Way Campaign** this year! It was a month long success! A total of \$3,192.63 was collected. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders won the Penny Wars this year! Congratulations to all who help make this year's campaign a HUGE success!!!



## David Fairchild PTA is your PTA!

We are here for you and your children!  
Please support us and volunteer with us!  
We are looking forward to meeting and volunteering with you!  
You can email the PTA at [dfnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:dfnewsletter@gmail.com)



**Mr. Teboe's Winter Music Show** will be held on December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Selections from "Frozen" will be performed by our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders on Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> and our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders on Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you all there!



### The ELVES are Coming !!!!

Start your holiday shopping early! Come visit our annual Holiday Store on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 am and 4:30pm. There will be different price items so make sure you bring your lists!

Come and view the top projects at our **Science Fair** on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6PM. The Science Fair Projects that will be displayed at the Fair will be the Top 5 per class selected by their teacher after students have presented them and based on overall score. Trophy Winners per grade level will be announced at that time. The Science Fair is a great way to support our students in their science efforts.



### FIELD DAY...LET THE GAMES BEGIN!!!

Field day is right around the corner. Please be on the lookout for t-shirt size requests from your child's teacher. Field day will be held the week of December 16<sup>th</sup>. Coach Concepcion is looking for donations of water bottles and Gatorade to raise funds for the P.E. program. Thank you for all the support.



Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. 9 am to 11 am/ 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. 12 pm to 2 pm  
Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> - PK/K 9 am to 11 am/ 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. 12 pm to 2 pm  
Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. 9 am to 11 am/ 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. 12 pm to 2 pm

