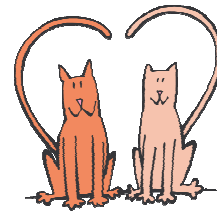


PTO NEWSLETTER

February 2010



Ski Program: This was our second year back at the Otis Ridge for the ski program and 75 students and family members participated. It was a great opportunity for our kids to get exercise and hang out with their friends. On the last day of the program, February 10th, we celebrated another successful season with a pizza party!

Upcoming Events:

On March 3rd, the PTO is bringing children's poet, **Robert Pottle**, to our school for an all-school assembly, followed by four separate student workshops throughout the day. Book order forms will be going home with the students for anyone interested in purchasing **Robert Pottle's** book(s).

Special thanks to all of the volunteers who give of themselves by donating their time and talents for the benefit of our students! Events such as the ski program, Holiday Shop and Ice Cream Social wouldn't be possible without you!

Looking Forward . . .

PTO sponsored Turn-Off TV Events for students (to be announced)

Classroom Fundraiser: The net proceeds for the sales from the Grandma's Pies fundraiser and the current balances for each class are as follows:

	Pie Sale	Current Balance
6 th Grade (2010).....	\$ 16.45	\$545.74
5 th Grade (2011).....	\$65.45	\$518.16
4 th Grade (2012).....	\$37.80	\$826.04
3 rd Grade (2013).....	\$156.62	\$763.93
2 nd Grade (2014).....	\$96.95	\$665.67
1 st Grade (2015).....	\$149.60	\$203.36
Kindergarten (2016).....	\$121.44	\$176.44
Pre-K (2017/2018).....	\$111.28	\$166.28

Up to 50% of the above-listed amounts from the pie sale may be used this year by the teachers in each class towards classroom incentives and/or to offset the cost of field trips. The remaining 50% and any unused balance will follow each class as a "savings account" until 6th grade when it will be used in full for Nature's Classroom (currently \$250/per student), field trips and graduation. Pre-K can use 100% for in class programs and/or field trips at the discretion of the teachers. (50% of any balance will move on with students to K)

The next PTO meeting will be Monday, March 3rd at 9:00 a.m. in the school cafeteria.

Especially in these tough economic times, every dime counts. Some ways to help raise money for our school that cost you nothing ...

Box Tops for Education- Please collect box tops and **Campbell's Soup Labels**, they really do add up!

If you have a Target VISA... **Target - Take Charge of Education**

Target donates up to 1% of your REDcard purchases to the K-12 school you've chosen to help kids get what they need to learn. If you use a Target Visa, please call customer service to designate Farmington River Elementary as your school choice. Go to Target.com/tcoe for details.

DIRECTV4Schools:

Sign up for one year of the DIRECTTV package of your choice and our school will earn \$100 for each new customer and \$50 for existing customers. Call 888-388-4724 and use our school code, B1784.

Don't forget about our local grocery store school points programs at Price Chopper and Big Y - all you need to do is enroll our school!

If you would like to receive PTO reminders and newsletters via email, send us an email at frrspto@yahoo.com and we will add you to our contact list. As always, we are interested in hearing any ideas, comments or suggestions you may have.