IPTO

ITASCA PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION
Proudly serving Benson Primary, Franzen Intermediate, and Peacock Middle Schools

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION AND SUPPORT

November Events

3 IPTO Meeting 7:00PM @ Peacock

3 Mrs. Field's Fundraiser Pick-Up 3:30-6:30PM @ Peacock

10 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30-8:30PM

11 December newsletter entries DUE to aldevalk@yahoo.com

17 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30-8:30PM

21 NO SCHOOL: Parent/ Teacher Conferences 8:00AM-3:00PM

22 NO SCHOOL: Teacher Institute Day

23-25 NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Break

November Hot Lunch

Benson/Franzen

Fridays: Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25

Peacock

Tuesdays: Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29

New on the Website this Month

- Holiday Party Guidelines and FAQ

President's Letter

Thank you to all the parents who have already volunteered this year. The Itasca Parent Teacher Organization (IPTO) is dedicated to enriching the educational experience of students at Benson, Franzen and Peacock schools, and we couldn't accomplish this without YOU – our parent volunteers!

Thank you to all the parents that volunteered to organize the Halloween parties in each classroom. The students always look forward to these parties and I'm sure they are going to be SPOOKTACULAR! To those parents organizing the Holiday parties, thank you in advance for making the holiday season extra special for our students.

Please be aware of the district's policy regarding food at the holiday parties. No food is to be served during the parties. Likewise, any treat bags brought in for distribution to classmates must also be free of food. Thank you for helping to keep our students healthy and safe.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our next IPTO meeting on Thursday, November 3rd at 7:00 PM in the Peacock Media Center. We have free onsite babysitting, so join us if you can.

Finally, the IPTO board would like to wish all of our District 10 families a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. Enjoy the time off with your family and friends.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact any of the IPTO Board members, or you can email the board at IPTO@itasca.k12.il.us. The board members' contact information is listed on the bottom of the first page of the newsletter.

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Important News

DISTRICT EDUCATION FOUNDATION
GROWING OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE

The District 10 Education Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for profit and tax exempt organization founded in 2013 to support the educational process by awarding annual grant money to District 10 schools in Itasca. The mission of the D10EF is to provide funds for educational programs, technology, activities and other resources that are beyond the scope of public school funding and not covered by District 10's operating budget.

To help support excellence in education in Itasca, the District 10 Education Foundation is hosting the following events. Please mark your calendar and save the date for our:

- 4th Annual Trivia Night on Friday, January 27, 2017
- 2nd Annual Gala on Friday, April 7, 2017

Stay informed on Foundation news, progress and activities by:

- Following our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/D10EF
- Visiting our website at www.d10ef.org/

Coming Up Next Month:

- IPTO Bake Sale at K and 2nd grade holiday programs
- Benson/Franzen Holiday Parties

Birthday Book Club
The Birthday Book Club is looking for gently used books. These books are given to students as gifts during their birthday month. We accept books of all reading levels. There are collection boxes in the front of every school. Just drop the books in the box and we will do the rest. Thank you for helping us give the gift of reading! For further details, please contact Lisa Maltais at lmaltais@rosemont78.org.

Mother/Son Bowl
Invitations to the Mother/Son Bowling Event held on Sunday, January 29, 2017 will be coming home after Thanksgiving. This event includes bowling, lunch, raffles and fun! The committee is also looking for any family or business raffle prizes and volunteers (especially dads) for the day of the event. This event is only for Benson and Franzen boys accompanied by a mother or adult. If you have any questions, please contact Eileen Ellenbecker at eileen12@sbcglobal.net or Denise Fezekas at denisefezekas@yahoo.com.

Outdoor Education Fundraiser
By now, you may have seen these great looking magnets on the cars of your teachers and friends, lockers, iPads or laptops. Good news! These magnets are still available. The order form is in the virtual backpack and secretaries at all schools will accept them. All proceeds go directly to the Outdoor Education Program fund to keep costs down. Please contact Eileen Ellenbecker at eileen12@sbcglobal.net with any questions or orders. Thank you for your support and showing pride in your school!

Mrs. Field's Fundraiser Update
Thank you to everyone who participated in our very successful fall fundraiser. Thanks to your generosity and superior selling skills, we surpassed our sales from last year and earned approximately $11,000 in profit! This is a great start to reaching our fundraising goals and will hopefully enable us to give back generously to our schools at the end of the year. Enjoy your cookies and thank you, thank you, thank you!

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