

**Gardner Road Elementary
PTO Agenda
December 18, 2024**

Attendance

MaryJo Wallner
Liz Odell Wheling
Tracey McLoed
Jessica

Welcome and Introduction: Stephanie Thomas

Principal's Report: Kim Malone

Busy time here at Gardner Road

Day before Thanksgiving was Citizenship day. Students were able to work together playing miniature golf.

Many activities went on that day to reinforce the idea of citizenship.

Last week was the Holiday Shoppe. Kids had a great time.

Last week was the classroom spelling bees. Winners were notified.

School wide spelling bee is Jan 31

We are in the middle of the holiday spirit week.

Today was polar express for Prek and K.

Friday is the holiday sing along.

AIMSWEB winter benchmark starts when we return.

Friday Jan 10 is Spirit Day

Gardner Road staff would like to wish everyone a happy holiday

Site Based: Janice Jarvis / Kim Malone

Debriefed on citizenship day.

Positive feedback from staff

Working on bringing in an author for an author visit.

Last week was Caring Caps to celebrate the character trait "caring."

Community Engagement Committee: Stephanie Thomas

No new updates

Redistricting Committee: Stephanie Thomas / Kim Malone

More of the same information.

Working on focusing on students and families and how to make the transition best for them.

Also reviewed moving up day. Ridge, Big Flats, and Center Street already participate in a Moving Up Day.

The team is discussing the possibility of bringing the students who are moving to other buildings to their new schools.

They are continuing to work on the logistics.

Also conversation about 4th grade Unity Day and how we can incorporate those ideas into Moving Up Day (bracelets).

Treasurer's Report: Autumn Osborne
None at this time (autumn is out)

All Elementary PTO: Stephanie Thomas / Kim Malone

- Nothing to report at this time

Staff Requests: Open Floor
None at this time

Old Business:

Gardner Road Movie and Santa Night

- December 6th, 6pm
- Sound system issues were fine
- Successful evening

Holiday Shoppe (December 10-12)

- Was a success
- Teacher feedback was that the way it was done this year was more successful. Having a few students come down at a time rather than having the whole class come and wait was better.
- We will need to start shopping to replenish.

Current / Upcoming:

Feedback from current google surveys

- None from this month

Regal Ticket Fundraiser - November 27th - December 25th

- Families can buy a bundle and we will receive 25% of the purchase.
- \$411.99 plus \$250 for the Thanksgiving contest

Bingo Night - January 10, 2025

- At the cafeteria
- One of our most popular events
- All kids will leave with a prize
- Play the promotional video for the Wizards and remind families between games to buy their tickets.
- Create a QR code for parents

Harlem Wizards - January 22nd

- Tickets are on sale now!
- Ticket sales are slow. Only 10% of tickets have been purchased.
- Looking at the possibility of adding it to the Gardner Road news
- Possible half sheet flyer to the students in the other elementary schools.
- Could we share the link on the Gardner Road Elementary page.
- Kim will email about it before the holiday break.
- Teachers can add the information to their weekly newsletter.
- Goal is to create a slideshow/video to share with each building with all of the players.

Math Kangaroo Club

- Competition is in March
- Math Club is going well.
- 11 students are signed up for the competition
- Sarah Crouse has been helping her.

Mud Run date has not been set yet. Kim has asked Mike C and will tell him we need to know by January 15.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 15th, 6:00pm