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"Home of the wise owls"

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The President's Pen

Happy Fall Shreveewood!! Hard to believe we are into November already! October was a busy month for the PTA and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who worked tirelessly on all of our activities. From the Halloween Party to the Boosterthon, we took on a lot! Special thanks goes out to Tang Austin, Dionne Johnston, and Jen Fisher for organizing our Halloween Party! The addition of the Haunted Hall was a huge hit with the older kids and couldn't have been nearly as successful without the additional help from Darlene Howell and Erin Rubio. Our Boosterthon team, headed by Sharon Hymes and supported by Rachel Penter, Darleen Howell, Leslie Sacco, Andie Kim and Jen Baldwin, has raised \$21,000 for the PTA! Sharon worked hours and hours to make sure the event went off without a hitch and we are so grateful. Please be sure to send in your pledges as soon as possible. Our very own Michelle Hodge has been our spearhead on the playground expansion plans and has worked many hours to create a plan that gives something for ALL the students to use and enjoy. Be on the lookout for phase one of the enhancements coming soon!

As November begins, we will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of Shreveewood on Friday, November 11th from 5-8pm. We hope you are able to take part in this special occasion. In addition to touring the school and seeing what is in that time capsule, you will be able to enjoy delicious food from area food trucks and baked goods sold by the 6th graders as they begin raising money for their spring field trip to Philadelphia and for their Graduation events.

Our next Dining for Dollars, organized by Anya Robyiak, will be at Flippin' Pizza on Wednesday, November 16th between 3-9pm. There is no flyer needed but you must tell the cashier you're there to support the Shreveewood PTA. (dine-in or carry-out only). Plus, if you go between the hours of 5-7pm you'll get a chance to meet teachers and administrators who will be "working" the event. There will be a fall outdoor clean-up on Sunday, November 20th from 1-4pm. Stop by for as long as you can and help us make Shreveewood winter-ready!

Our next PTA meeting will be on Tuesday, November 15th at 7:30pm in the library. Please join us to learn about exciting upcoming events, including Bingo Night, Movie Night, and STEAM events.

Remember, there is no school on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th in celebration of Thanksgiving. We hope you and your families and friends are able to spend time together.

Until next time.....
Sandy Kiersz



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Shreveewood Elementary School Celebrates Inclusive Schools Week December 5-9, 2016

Inclusive Schools Week celebrates our nation's schools providing a supportive and quality education to a diverse student population including students with disabilities and those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. This year's theme is "Champions of Inclusion: POWERful Things Happen in Inclusive"



Inclusive Schools:

- ❖ Make sure each and every student feels welcome and is learning
- ❖ Understanding that all children--students with and without disabilities, English language learners, those with special talents--learn better if teaching is tailored to their abilities and interests
- ❖ Holds high expectations for **ALL** students success

**Join us in celebrating diversity
and showing off your
Shreveewood school spirit!**

For any questions related to Inclusive Schools week contact Carin Lomax
PTA Special Needs Liaison
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Shreveewood's Week of Activities

Monday 12/5

"Unity Day"

Wear your school Spirit shirt-

Classroom discussions of
"What inclusive means to me?"
Classroom craft activity

Tuesday 12/6

We are all "UNIQUE"!

Crazy Hair Day

To express yourself

Wednesday 12/7

Dress as your favorite
super hero to show POWERful
support of all students

Thursday 12/8

"I am Blue---tiful" Day

Wear blue

Friday 12/9

"Mix it up at lunch"

Special ed classrooms to eat together
with regular classrooms

Wear your favorite warm ups

Teacher appreciation breakfast



A new session of before and after school programs will begin the week of January 17th. Please be on the lookout for the flyer with the new class offerings in December!

Art Supplies Needed



Donations of kitchen sponges and old t-shirts needed. If you can donate one or more of these items please contact Mrs. Kim or Ms. Sacco, Shreveewood Art Teachers.

Thank you!

Tis the Season! Shop Amazon and earn \$\$ for Shreveewood

Purchase gifts for your loved ones and a percentage of your purchases will support our school. Start your Amazon shopping from our Shreveewood PTA website and your purchases could earn up to a 10% back for our PTA!!!

Our unique search tool will take you directly to Amazon.com, where you can browse and shop *just as you normally would*. Each month, Amazon will pay us up to 10% of all purchases made by shoppers who reached Amazon through our link!!!

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Shreveewood Fundraising News...

Thanks so much for supporting the Shreveewood Elementary School Fun Run Fundraiser.

It was wonderful to see Shreveewood students determined to run all 35 laps to raise the maximum amount of money for their school. Seeing the smiles on their faces and watching them cheer their classmates on reminded me that this is not only a fundraiser but it's a fun time to be had by all.

We received \$23,000 in pledge promises. As of Wednesday, Nov 9, **we have collected 91% of the pledge promises.** Our goal is to collect 100% - we are well on our way!

The money from this fundraiser benefit the entire Shreveewood student body as it will be used for playground and outdoor enhancements.

If you haven't already, **please collect pledge promises from your student's sponsors and return it to school by 11/16/2016** (checks payable to Shreveewood Elementary PTA), or your sponsors can pay online if a valid email address was entered with the pledge (\$2.00 sponsor convenience fee applies).

We received pledges from sponsors in 46 states and 9 countries.

93 meals will be donated on Shreveewood's behalf to families in need.

The following teachers won \$25.00 gift cards for being their grade leader in pledges/lap:

- Kindergarten - Pinkerton
- 1st Grade - Grimm
- 2nd Grade - Irby
- 3rd Grade - McDowell
- 4th Grade - Aurora
- 5th Grade - Handy
- 6th Grade – Crenshaw



DINING FOR DOLLARS



800 Broad St.
Falls Church

Come raise some dough and join us at **Flippin' Pizza Falls Church on November 16**. Order in or carry out between 3-9pm and the Shreveewood PTA will earn some money to help pay for outdoor playground equipment, STEAM, and technology for the classroom.

Come between the hours of 5-7pm, you'll get to meet and greet some of Shreveewood's teachers and administrators.

Make sure to tell the cashier you're there to support **Shreveewood and the PTA** will get credit.

Want to do more for Shreveewood, but don't have the time?

Does your work place participate in Corporate Matching Gift Programs?

WHAT ARE MATCHING GIFT PROGRAMS?

Extensions of corporate philanthropy, matching gift programs are designed to be the means by which companies support employee charitable giving. Companies match donations made by employees to a wide range of nonprofits, like schools.

Ask your employer how they can help Shreveewood Elementary.

Thank you to the teachers, parent volunteers, and students who helped to make this year's **SPOOKTACULAR** event a scary good time!!

Many thanks to our generous parents who sent in candy for our biggest Candy Hunt to date and cakes and treats for our very successful Cake Walk and Bake Sale. And of course, huge thanks to our incredible volunteers for your help in putting on the biggest PTA event of the year -- we couldn't have done it without you! If you enjoyed the party, we invite you to share your love of Halloween and help plan next year's party! Please contact Tang Austin at jettneala@gmail.com for more details. Thank you!



SHREVEWOOD HALLOWEEN PARTY 2016

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

November 15—PTA General Meeting
November 16—Grades K-2, School Thanksgiving Luncheon
November 16—Flippin Pizza Dining for Dollars, 3-9pm
November 17—Grades 3-6, School Thanksgiving Luncheon
November 20—Shrevewood Fall Outdoor Clean Up
November 23—Student Early Dismissal at 2:05pm
November 24-25—Thanksgiving

December 1—Science Fair Prep Meetings Begin
December 5-9—Inclusive Schools Week
December 13—PTA General Meeting
December 19-January 1—FCPS Winter Break



Shrevewood Science Fair 2016-2017
Grades K – 6
Interest meeting:
Thursday, December 1st
4:15 – 5:15 in Rm 213

When: Every Thursday after school from 4:15 – 5:15

What: Classes to teach the scientific method and engineering design process.

If you are interested and you...

- ✓ *Want more information*
- ✓ *Would like to be a parent volunteer.*
- ✓ *Would like to sponsor an activity*

Contact:

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Or, if you would like a paper form, please contact our VP of Membership, Dionne Johnston at dionnejohnston@hotmail.com

Contact Jen Baldwin at <http://shrevewoodelementary.ch2v.com/> if you would like to advertise in the Shrevewood PTA Newsletter. We offer full, half and ¼ page ad space for a minimal cost.
 Thank you.