



Parent Teacher Organization
strengthening the partnership between
home and school

November 2009

Letter from the President

There is so many things we can be thankful for! We should be thankful each time our child wakes up and smiles when they see us, just knowing that we are probably the only thing they want to see when their little eyes open! Personally, I'm thankful for my four children and family and also for good health. What more can I truly ask for?

The PTO is very thankful and grateful for all the children in Easthampton. Without them we'd have very little reason to entertain with bubbles, jugglers, animals and of course, *ice cream!* All three schools gathering for a fun event brings the PTO a true feeling of accomplishment!

Thank you to all our supporters and volunteers. Without you, we'd be lost! I look forward to seeing many of you at our monthly meetings, where childcare is always free!

Happy Thanksgiving!
Dawn M. Young, PTO President

Bakers Wanted!

We are looking for volunteers to donate baked goods for our bake sale table as well as homemade cookies for our popular cookie walk! Due to food allergies, any foods containing nuts, nut flour or nut extract must be clearly labeled!!

Spotlight Event – Snowtime Bazaar

Mark Your Calendars!

The PTO will be hosting the 3rd annual Snowtime Bazaar on Friday, December 4th beginning at 5:30pm in the Pepin Auditorium.

Shopping is open to all children in Pre-K through Grade 4. Teachers and Parent volunteers will assist the youngsters with their private shopping while the adults stroll through the local crafters' tables in search of a personal gift or two.

A bake sale table and cookie walk will also be featured at the event. Be prepared to be tempted by the scrumptious aroma of fresh baked goodies. We will even be preparing a limited number of cookbooks compiled from the numerous items donated by our wonderful volunteers.

School Donations

In order to do our part in assisting the schools with tending to our children, the PTO made classroom donations earlier this month to help combat the illnesses that are evidently affecting our schools. Each classroom received a donation of a can of Lysol, a tube of antibacterial wipes and a box of tissues. It is a small price to pay for the welfare of our families. Colds and flu's are running their course through our buildings so please help us help the students. For those looking to help as well, boxes of tissues are always needed and greatly appreciated! It is also important to keep your child home from school when they are showing signs and symptoms of illness. Let's all work together to stop the spread as we gear up for the winter months.

Jungle Encounters Recap



On Thursday, November 5th the Pepin Auditorium was visited by a variety of creatures that entertained all in attendance. From the baby alligator to the adorable marmoset monkey, the exotic Geoffroy's Cat, the big-eared Fennec Fox and the lovable Patagonian Cavy (pictured here),

the audience enjoyed them all!

Thank you to Debi from Jungle Encounters for educating while entertaining us all!

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Thank you to
the Pioneer Valley Ballet
for their presentation of
The Bear Prince.

It was a great collaboration
that allowed us the
opportunity to bring local
performance arts into our
schools in support of:



Calendar of Events

November

Thurs 5 Jungle Encounters 6:15pm

@ Pepin Auditorium

Mon 9 PTO Meeting @ Maple

December

Fri 4 Snow Time Bazaar 5:30pm

Mon 14 PTO Meeting @ Pepin

January

Mon 11 PTO Meeting @ Maple

Thurs 14 LaserMania @ Pepin

February

Mon 8 PTO Meeting @ Pepin

March

Mon 8 PTO Meeting @ Maple

April

Mon 12 PTO Meeting @ Pepin

May

Teacher Appreciation Week

Mon 10 PTO Meeting @ Maple

June

Thurs 3 Ice Cream Social

Free Childcare at all PTO Meetings!