



## WELCOME BACK!

Dear PCS Families,

The beginning of the school year is upon us...it always amazes me how quickly summer comes and goes. I hope your summer was filled with enjoyable and lasting memories. On behalf of the PCS PTO I would like to welcome you and your children back to school! We are looking forward to the school-year ahead with much excitement.

The PTO has many new faces and officers this year who sincerely thank Lisa Andrews and her leadership team for their hard work and dedication to the PTO.

We hope to keep the PCS PTO tradition of providing enriching, enlightening and enjoyable activities for the students and families of PCS. We are looking forward, with the help of families and staff, to bring new programs and activities to the PCS community.

I would also like to encourage new-to-PCS and continuing families to come see what we are all about. Joining is easy - you already have by being a parent to a PCS student! Whether you have 30 minutes or a couple of hours- your ideas, your time, and your talents are truly needed. Please consider volunteering as it really does make a difference in the lives of our children! Our meetings are typically the second Tuesday of each month. Please email or call me for more information.

I am looking forward to meeting and working with you!

Sincerely,

*Melissa Zahansky*

PTO President

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## INFORMATION NIGHT

in conjunction with the K-2 and 3-5 Open Houses

Stop by the PCS Gymnasium on the evening of September 2 or September 4, before or after visiting your child's Open House, as the PTO sponsors its annual Information Night. (This event is open to parents of ALL grades, even if your Open House is another night.)

We'll have a number of different organizations on hand, with information on activities and participation opportunities for you and your children. A partial list of the groups invited includes:

PCS Parent Teacher Organization

Pomfret Cub Scouts

Pomfret Girls Scouts

Pomfret Recreation Department

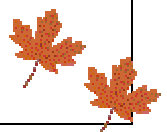
PCS Cultural Arts Committee

PCS Library

Griffin Youth Hockey

Masterpiece Art

... and more!



## SALLY FOSTER FALL FUNDRAISER!

It's time for our annual Fall Fundraiser! This year we are using the popular Sally Foster® company. The proceeds from this fundraiser are used in a variety of ways. Some of the money will be used to fund PTO functions like Reading Night, the annual Halloween Party and Teacher Appreciation week while other money will be used towards PTO sponsored enrichment programs such as last years Spanish assembly and Stargazing Night. Proceeds from Grades 5 through 8 will be deposited into their accounts to help pay for each classes 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington DC.

This year we are also offering additional incentives for students just for participating in the fundraiser...We will be holding daily raffles for orders that have been turned in that day and as a special incentive, the first classroom to reach 100% participation will be offered a \$100.00 credit for Scholastic reading materials and a "Make Your Own Sundae" Party.

Orders can be turned in to the school as well as placed online. To place an online order go to the Seller's Section at [www.SallyFoster.com](http://www.SallyFoster.com). Our school account number is 367550.

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Bullied at 963-7271 or [bbullied@charter.net](mailto:bbullied@charter.net).

Thank you for your support!

## 2008-2009 MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the PCS Library

September 9, October 14, November 4,  
December 9 (Holiday Social), January 13,  
February 10, March 10, April 7, May 12,  
June 9 (end of year Thank You and Social)

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

PTO MEETING	TUESDAY SEPT 9
FALL FUNDRAISER ORDERS DUE	MONDAY SEPT 15

## WELCOME BACK STAFF LUNCHEON

On Monday, August 25th, the PTO welcomed back the teachers and staff of PCS with a luncheon. We are all looking forward to a new year filled with lots to learn and to experience!

We would like to thank everyone for their help in putting the luncheon together. From donations of time to all the desserts baked, all your help was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Mary Archambault, Sue Black, Cyrille Bosio, Brenda Bullied, Danielle Castle, Kate Cerrone, Tina Cunningham, Carrie Gallant, Jane Hale, Cheryl Nutall, and Veroncia Vaida.

Thank you to Jessica Jellison of Jessica Tuesday's whose catering provided the sandwiches and salad.

A big thank you to Gillian King and Melissa Zahansky for all of their help and direction with this event!

## BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

October is collection month for Box Tops and Labels - please send any box tops or labels you have been saving over the summer in to the school. Box tops and labels can be sent to the office with your child. A collection bin is located in the front office area.

For those of you unfamiliar with the program, Box Tops for Education is a wonderful, easy fundraising program. Money earned by simple things you do every week, buying groceries.

To participate please Clip Box Top Coupons from participating products (Hundreds of products to chose from...General Mills, Old El Paso, Ziploc, Betty Crocker and Pillsbury, just to name a few)

If anyone would like to volunteer to assist with the Box Top Program, please contact Kim Low (928-7261)

Thank you for your continued support with this easy to earn program!