

## DES PTA Meeting Agenda - 9/18/2024

### Welcome Back Demasi Families!



#### INTRODUCTION- Meet the 2024-2025 Board Members

- President: Ginger Dietzmann
- 1<sup>st</sup> Co Vice President (fundraising): Catherine Olivieri & Liz Walker
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Co Vice President (events): Lisa Argust
- Treasurer: Tracy Coyle
- Recording Secretary: Gina Dispenza
- Corresponding Secretary: Dana Mondì

\*\*Don't forget to sign in and join the PTA today! The membership drive is on!!\*\*

#### Our Principal – Mrs. Green

#### PAST EVENTS/FUNDRAISERS:

##### Budget Plans/Actuals: Tracy Coyle- Updated & approved budget

- **Back to School Demasi Staff luncheon:** Ginger Dietzmann - Thank you for all the generous food & monetary donations. The staff loved the lunch!
- **School Supply Kits:** Dana Mondì - if you missed the opportunity this year, look for information at the EOY. It's super convenient, can be modified to what you really need and ships directly to your house and benefits DES!

##### Notes:

- There is approx \$16K to start this year's budget – voted and approved budget for the year 2024-25
- Mrs. Green welcomed parents and talked about 2 new admins in our Elementary office to answer questions, Chantel and Maria
- Staff Luncheon was a big success
- PTA made a little under \$400 for School Supply Kits

#### Upcoming Events/Fundraisers:

- **Yearbook Pictures** – Ms. Yearly -
- **Back to School Night:** Ginger Dietzmann - TOMORROW 9/19! Pencil Gram sale, membership drive, "D" croc charm for cash & carry and PTA info.
- **Dine Out: Pancheros** TOMORROW 9/19.
- **Recess Runners:** Leighanne Ratcliffe/Tessy McCool – NEW process! Every OTHER Friday @ recess with enough parent volunteers & weather permitting...starts Friday 9/27!
- **Spirit Wear Sale:** Liz Walker – Ongoing. Order online and it delivers to your child's classroom end of October. Due by 9/20!
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Color Run/Back to School Water Ice:** Liz Walker/Lisa Argust - 9/25
- **Food Coupon Book Fundraiser:** Catherine Olivieri - books will go home with room parents directly after this meeting for distribution by 9/23 and a return date of 10/4.
- **Picture Day:** Happening 10/8. Information will be coming home from the school soon.
- **Fall Book Fair:** Catherine Olivieri - 10/16 – 10/18
- **Square One Art Fundraiser:** Lauren Ciccarelli Hing –
- **Glow Gram Sale:** Gina Dispenza – 10/21
- **Trunk or Treat:** Leighanne Ratcliffe - Friday 10/25 with rain date of 10/28. We need cars!
- **Halloween Parade & Class Parties:** 10/31 more details with timing will come out.
- **Candy Bar Bingo:** Will be earlier this year based on feedback from families. The date this year will be on 11/22.
- **October PTA meeting- 10/16 7pm**

## Notes:

- Mrs. Lauver & Ms. Yearly will be doing the Yearbook again this year. They will be coming up with a new way to submit photos you've taken of your children at school events using a QR code which will be announced soon.
- Back to School Night is 2 sessions: 1<sup>st</sup> is 6:15-6:45pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> is 7-7:30pm, Pencil grams available for \$1
- Recess Runners- new Kindergarten students will get a necklace and someone will come into the classroom to explain the event, K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> will run first then 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup>. PTA would love to have more parents volunteer.
- Lunch times have changed slightly with first lunch starting at 12:05pm and second lunch at 12:55pm
- Spirit Wear orders are due Friday.
- Color Run – remember to wear a white tshirt and bring old sneakers. The powder color will stain shoes.
- Food Coupon books go home next week. The PTA will make \$6 on each book sold.
- Book Fair – Sports theme this fall, sign up genius coming to volunteer
- Square One art – kids are making pictures in Art class which will be converted to gift items (mugs, keychains, ornaments) with the art on them. Flyer will come home soon to order items.
- Glow Grams- kids have opportunity to purchase glow sticks for friends, teachers, siblings in the elementary school. Each student will get one from the PTA. Bags of glow sticks will be delivered in sealed bags so no student can see how many another student received.
- Trunk or Treat is 6:30-8pm. Event will have DJ and trick or treating. Pizza can be ordered in advance when flyer comes out. Candy is needed for cars. There are allergy friendly cars with balloons denoting where they are.
- Halloween parade times are TBD per Mrs. Green
- Candy Bar Bingo – date is moved up to earlier in the year

## Head Room Parents (Dana Mondl)-

### Communication Options-

- Monthly Dino Dates- Keep this posted somewhere to refer to dates all month...usually printed on blue paper
- Remind texts system- To receive text messages from PTA- **NEW text @despta25 to 81010**
- Like the Demasi Elementary PTA Facebook page
- Check out the DES website at [www.des-pta.org](http://www.des-pta.org) maintained by South Jersey Techies!!
- Read the PTA Weekly Folder email from school messenger!