



CHASE PTO



September 2008

WELCOME TO
EVERYONE TO OUR
NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

WELCOME STUDENTS, TEACHERS, STAFF & PARENTS!

The Chase PTO welcomes all new and returning families to the 2008/2009 school year. We are looking forward to another fun-filled year.

The PTO sponsors so many events including the Halloween Parade day activities, School Picture Days, various school assemblies, and family fun activity nights. We provide the student directories as well as the daily agendas that all 2nd through 5th grades are using this year. We run two book fairs annually filled with all the students' favorite books at very reasonable prices. Holidays are made extra special by supplying the Winter concert candy canes, an opportunity to purchase Mother's Day flowers, and field day popsicles, just to name a few.

We run several fund-raising activities throughout the year to support our activities. We keep our fund-raising events to a minimum relying a lot on the generosity of donations and outreach programs to get our needed supplies and funds. Our BOXTOP\$ program is one that all families can easily participate in. Simply by cutting the General Mills BoxTops from daily use products such as cereal, tissues, frozen vegetables, baked goods, plastic wrap and much more, families can help our school raise money for our playground equipment. Please visit www.boxtops4education.com for a complete list of products. Each month there are contests and the winning classes get to enjoy prizes including FREE ice cream!

One of our anticipated goals this year is to add a large piece of playground equipment to our playground. We have already raised over \$6,000 towards this piece and with a couple successful fund-raising events and installation cost assistance from the school district we should be able to get installation done by Spring. Students will be presented 3 choices during the next month of acceptable structures that meet all safety standards. They will get to "vote" on which one they like best.

None of the previous mentioned events and activities could happen without the help of lots of volunteers. We are always looking for additional members (annual membership dues is just \$3) who come to the monthly meetings bringing new ideas and energy. All parents/guardians and teachers and staff are invited & encouraged to attend our monthly meetings. We provide FREE babysitting in a nearby classroom. Your child can bring their homework or a toy to play with. An age appropriate movie will be available for them to watch.

Our 1st meeting of the year will be **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH - PTO MEETING - 7PM TO 8:30PM IN**

LIBRARY. New to the PTO? Come by early for a meet and greet! We can brief you on the meetings and answer any questions or concerns you may have about being a member. Bring your completed volunteer form so we can start to organize help for all our upcoming events. Can't make the meeting but still want to be a member? We still need you! Simply fill out the attached volunteer sheet and return it back to your child's classroom. Let us know the best time to reach you & we will call. We look forward to seeing everyone- please see the reverse side for a calendar of upcoming PTO due dates and events! ***Thank you in advance for helping make this year the best year yet for all of our students!***

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