SCHOOL 12 PTA NEWSLETTER - April 2015 -

PTA Meeting Schedule

Please mark the following dates in your calendar: April 16, May 14, and June 18. These are the dates for PTA meetings, and we would love to see you there! Free babysitting will be provided for smaller children.

Safety at School 12

Safety is a priority at School 12. It is our policy that all students are escorted into the building. Thank you for parking and then walking your child through the blue doors.

Box Tops

Please continue to send in your Boxtops! Contact Alisa Hall at <u>alisa.adh@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

Donations Needed

There is still a need for uniforms of all sizes. Please consider donating clothing that is too small. Any solid-color shirts in navy, light-blue, purple, or white or pants in navy, black, or khaki are especially appreciated.

Construction Update

Please join School 12's new Facebook Group: James P.B. Duffy School #12 Construction and Remodel. Thank you to Wayne Hermanson and Gilbrand Building Company for sharing pictures!

Physical Fitness Update

School 12 students are finishing their basketball unit. They also got a taste of bowling and learned how to keep score ... old-school style. Faculty will finally roll out their swimming unit with the older students after Winter Recess. Stay active during the cold months helping with shoveling. Here's your challenge: hold a squat position for 20 seconds, then come up, then repeat at least five times. Remember to go down parallel and keep your chest up.... Good luck!

Parent-Teacher Conferences, March 3

Stay in touch with your child's teacher for information about upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences.

First Friday, March 6

Parents, guardians, and the entire School 12 community are invited for coffee, pastries, fruit, and conversation the first Friday of every month from 7:35 to 8:45 AM in the Parent Room. This is a great way to meet families and learn more about our school. We hope to see you there!

Chuck E. Cheese Night, March 19

Join School 12 families for a special fundraiser at Chuck E. Cheese on Thursday, March 19. More information to come.

Bring-Your-Father-to-School Day, March 20

School 12 is excited to announce that we have been selected to participate in the Strong Fathers-Strong Families curriculum pilot program. Their motto is "Building Stronger Kids by Strengthening Fathers and Families." The mission of Strong Fathers-Strong Families is to connect fathers to their children in order to improve outcomes and enable children to grow into sound, productive adults. Please support School 12 in the first component of this program which is Bring-Your-Father-to-School Day on Friday, March 20, from 8 to 9:30 AM. All materials required for this program will be distributed to classrooms. Any questions can be directed to Justin Monk-George at 585-435-2362.

ELA/SS Night, March 26

School 12 is hosting its annual ELA/SS Night on Thursday, March 26, from 5:30 to 7 PM. Please help us celebrate the work our students are doing to understand various cultures around the world!

Save the Date!	
Tuesday, 3/3: Parent-Teacher Conferences	Tuesday-Wednesday, 3/24-3/25: Spring Picture Days
Friday, 3/6: First Friday	Thursday, 3/26: ELA/SS Night, 5:30 PM
Thursday, 3/19: Chuck E. Cheese Night	Monday-Friday, 3/30-4/3: Spring Recess
Friday, 3/20: Bring-Your-Father-to-School Day	Friday, 5/1: Superintendent's Day – SCHOOL CLOSED