

# The Eagle's Nest

## Abingdon Elementary PTA Newsletter

January/February 2017



### President's Message

Welcome 2017! It's hard to believe we are starting the second half of the school year. I hope you were able to rest and relax over the winter break and that your year is off to a great start! It's finally starting to feel like it should in January..... snowy and COLD! We have a few activities planned for the cold winter months. On February 3rd we will have the Mother/Son Dance, and on March 3rd we will have a Family Bingo Night. Dance flyers went home before the break. Flyers for the BINGO will be sent home through your child's folder. I'd like to thank all the families that came out to support our Holiday Event. I know I saw many smiling faces when they saw Santa and Olaf.

I know it seems a long way off, but spring is right around the corner! Spring means field trips and field trips mean parent chaperones/volunteers. If you want to be considered to be a chaperone, you must complete the volunteer training. There will be a volunteer training at our PTA meeting on March 13th. Other dates will be out soon.

Spring Fling is back! Mark your calendars for June 2nd. Planning is well under way. With that said, it is going to take more than a date and planning.....we need VOLUNTEERS! Lots of them. I say lots of them because we would like everyone to have the opportunity to enjoy the Spring Fling with their families and be able to pitch in to make the event happen. We will be having sign ups at the Mother/Son Dance to get the ball rolling. Without volunteers we won't be able to have the event, so please consider giving 30 minutes of your time!

The PTA is always looking for new ideas, members and committee chairs. If you have ideas and are willing to help implement them, please join us at our meetings held once a month at the school or contact one of our board members. Please join us for our next meeting on Feb. 8th at 7 p.m. in the Media Center.

Thank you your time and support!

Angie Stump

### PTA Monthly Meetings

Jan. 9 - 7pm Media Center	Apr. 5 - 7pm Media Center
Feb. 8 - 7pm Media Center	May 8 - 7pm MPR - Elections
Mar. 13 - 7pm MPR - Volunteer Training	

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### Upcoming Events

**Jan. 16** – No School

**Feb. 3** – Early Dismissal

**Feb. 3** – Mother/Son  
Dance 7-9pm

**Feb. 8** – PTA Meeting 7pm

**Feb. 9** – Family Fun Night  
at Chick-fil-A

**Feb. 20** – No School

### 2016-2017 PTA Board

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## News from our Committees

### **Membership**

Thank you to the following local businesses for their Business Memberships with our PTA: Menchie's, Chung's Martial Arts, Vagabonds Sandwich Company, and Kiddie Academy of Abingdon. It's never too late to join the PTA! Contact Shannon Pfistner at [Shannon\\_06@hotmail.com](mailto:Shannon_06@hotmail.com) for more information.

### **Receipts**

We have had many families participating in our Box Tops for Education Program and we want to thank you all. We just received one of our checks from Box Tops and that money will help fund events and field trips for our school! Be on the lookout for collection sheets that will be sent home throughout the rest of the school year. Have your child help collect and attach Box Tops onto the collection sheets and turn them into their teacher by the due date on the sheet. Make sure your child's name, grade level and teacher are on the collection sheets so that they receive credit for them.

A prize will be awarded to the child in each grade level who turns in the most Box Tops by each due date. (A child that has won once can't win again in the current school year to allow others a chance to win a prize.)

Another way to earn money for our school is by signing up at Giant grocery store. Any purchases made during the year will help our school, so even if you only shop there occasionally, please register your card. You can register online through the Giant website under Savings & Rewards. Our school ID is 02819. If you have questions please

feel free to contact The Receipts Committee - Christina Sanzone [csanzone@hotmail.com](mailto:csanzone@hotmail.com) & Angie Stump [angstump@msn.com](mailto:angstump@msn.com)

### **Dances**

The Mother Son Dance will be held Friday, Feb. 3rd from 7-9pm @ AES. Pictures will start at 6:30 p.m. The inclement weather date is set for Friday, Feb. 10th. Flyers went home before the winter break. If you need one, you can find it on our Facebook page or email [aesptapres@gmail.com](mailto:aesptapres@gmail.com).

Tickets will be on sale until Thursday Jan. 26th or we meet capacity. Tickets will NOT be sold at the door. Please purchase early to guarantee your spot!

### **Spring Fling**

Save the date - June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30PM to 8:30PM Rain or Shine. The Spring Fling committee is looking for AES Staff for the dunk tank. Please contact us if you are interested [rwirsing371@gmail.com](mailto:rwirsing371@gmail.com) or [embo2199@gmail.com](mailto:embo2199@gmail.com). This is a big deal for the students – they so enjoyed dunking the staff. Thanks in advance!

### **Spirit Days**

The next Spirit Day will be Crazy Sock Day on February 3! Wear your favorite pair of silly, goofy, or crazy socks!

### **Family Fun/Spirit Night**

As always thank you for your support.... New for this Year: Between now and March 31<sup>st</sup>, purchase a Menchie's frozen yogurt cake and Menchie's will donate \$5 back to us. Postcards will be coming home via back pack express, so be on the lookout. Next up...Chick-Fil-A – Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup> – beat the dinner rush...go for breakfast...

### **Bingo**

Mark your calendars... Family Bingo Night will be held on March 3 from 6-8pm (with an inclement weather date of March 24). Look for more information to be coming home in the next few weeks!

### **Volunteering**

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED!** The PTA is always looking for people to help out with events. If you are interested in helping with one of our upcoming events please email Pam Gifford at [pdgifford@me.com](mailto:pdgifford@me.com) to be added to the email distribution list. As needs arise volunteers will be emailed with specific requests. We can't wait to see your smiling face at our next event!

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