

FEBRUARY 2004 PSO NEWSLETTER

Dear STMM parents,

Although this year is not nearly over, we are already beginning to plan for next year. One of our primary tasks is to put together a PSO calendar of events that would be consistent each year and publish that calendar so that parents can know what events are planned for the entire year. We have heard many constructive comments about a need for parents to know what school-wide events will take place each year (both fundraising and non-fundraising) so that you can plan accordingly. We hope this calendar will meet that need. We will be discussing these PSO events at the next several PSO meetings, so I encourage anyone who would like to be part of the planning process to join us on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 in the science lab.

One of the events we are planning for is a parent social in April. We need volunteers to help plan this. If you are interested in helping, please call or email me. Thank you!

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VIPS:

This past month, close to 100 volunteers helped with two special events, the Scrap Exchange visit and Jump Rope for the Heart. In addition, dozens of volunteers supported the lunch program, tutored students during and after school, helped with a school production, and made classroom presentations about their international experiences. Your efforts are greatly appreciated by the students, teachers, and parents!! If you are not currently receiving e-mail notifications about VIPS volunteer opportunities, you can be added to the distribution list by contacting Linda Labaza, VIPS chairperson, at llabaza@nc.rr.com. This is an excellent way to find about a variety of volunteer opportunities at the school.

Community Relations Committee:

The Business and Babysitting Directory will be available the week of February 23 and can be obtained in the school office. A limited number of copies will be available in hard copy. Once these are gone, the business portion will be available in PDF format on the STMM website. The babysitting portion will continue to be available in hard copy