MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

December 2022

Stoneleigh PTA News

WHAT'S IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:

- Upcoming events
- Volunteers needed
- Committee updates

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy February, everyone! We have a lot of fun things planned for the next few months, and continue to be grateful for all of the hard work our committees have been doing behind the scenes. We hope to see you at our upcoming events and welcome any ideas, questions, or concerns that you have.

Wishing you well, Melissa Hays president@stoneleighpta.org

Who's on the Board

VP of Programs: Carrie Horwitz Lang Director of Communications: Christi Hess Membership Coordinator: Teresa Pearl

Treasurer: Fergal Mullally President: Melissa Hays

Upcoming Events

2/13-2/17 - Kindness Week

2/20: Schools closed for Presidents' Day

2/22: Class pictures

2/26: 5th Grade Bowling Party

International Festival

We are happy to announce the return of the International Festival. The date will be announced in the coming weeks. We would like to invite families to showcase the diversity in our school community by setting up tables to represent a certain country. You are welcome to include information about the country, including food, dances, and cultural rituals. If your family would like to participate, please reach out to

Carrie Horwitz Lang at vpprograms@stoneleighpta.org

Volunteers Needed

We are looking 4th grade parent volunteers to help with the reception for the 5th Grade Farewell that is planned for 6/20 at 6:30pm. This is traditionally done by 4th grade parents so that 5th grade parents can enjoy the ceremony.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with our Morning Mile program! If you have availability in the mornings before school, we would love to have you join us.

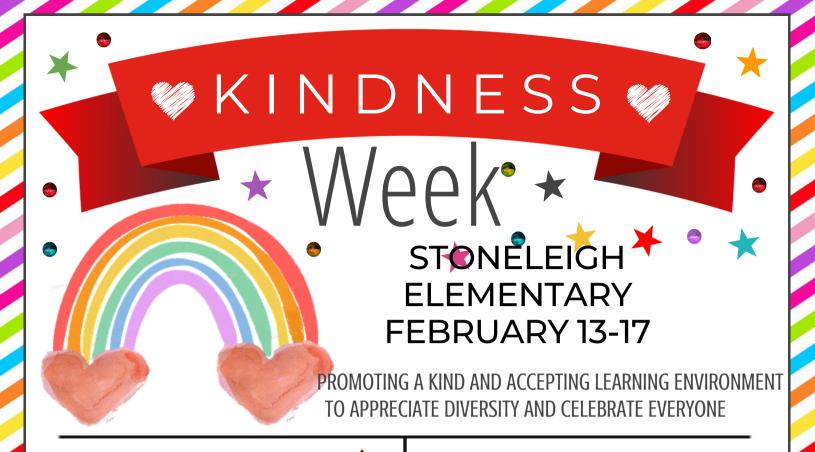
We are looking for volunteers to join our PTA board! We will have a few open positions starting in June for the next 2 years. The following positions will be open:

VP of Volunteers VP of Programs Treasurer

Volunteers are needed in the school cafeteria daily. Sign up here: <u>SES Cafeteria Volunteers</u>. Volunteers should have completed BCPS volunteer training. Lunch times for each grade are as follows:

- Kindergarten 11:00 11:30am
- 3rd grade 11:25 11:55am
- 2nd grade 11:45am 12:15pm
- 1st grade 12:05 12:35pm
- 5th grade 12:25 12:55pm
- 4th grade 1:00 1:30pm

Please reach out to Melissa Hays at president@stoneleighpta.org with amy questions about these volunteer positions.



MONDAY!

RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS

TRY TO PRACTICE ONE TODAY AND SHARE
WHAT YOU DID WITH A TEACHER OR
FRIEND



TUESDAY:

PEACE, LOVE AND KINDNESS
DRESS IN TIE DYE TODAY!

WEDNESDAY

MAKE A NEW FRIEND!

WEAR A TSHIRT THAT REPRESENTS
SOMETHING YOU LIKE AND FIND
SOMEONE WEARING SOMETHING SIMILAR!





SHOW HOW CRAZY YOU ARE ABOUT BEING KIND BY DRESSING IN CRAZY HATS AND SOCKS TODAY!



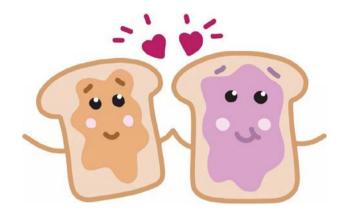
BY PRACTICING KINDNESS WE REALIZE WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME TEAM!

WEAR YOUR SCHOOL COLORS OR SOME SORT OF SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR TODAY TO SHOW UNITY

Thanks for participating!
-the Stoneleigh PTA



#SpreadtheLOVE



Please help the Baltimore Hunger Project "Spread the Love" this month. We're collecting jars of peanut butter and 2,000 jars of jelly for Baltimore-area kids in need!

Stoneleigh Elementary PTA will be collecting from

February 13-17, 2023

Please buy 16 oz. PLASTIC jars of peanut butter, and 20 oz. squeezable jelly. Visit smile.amazon.com and search "Baltimore Hunger Project" for easy shopping on the BHP #SpreadtheLOVE wish list.

Committee News

Fundraising Committee

We have had some very successful fundraisers recently! Thank you to everyone who has supported us.

Our fundraisers brought in the following:

Ledo's Pizza: \$434 Charmery: \$200 Panda Express: \$136 Sky Zone: \$147

Taharka: \$450 Minted: \$884 Spirit Wear: \$300

Committee Chair: Dana Wanyo dscalza@yahoo.com

Teacher Appreciation Committee

In December, the Teacher Appreciation Committee delivered a Winter Treat right before break. Teachers and staff enjoyed a delicious snack buffet catered by the wonderful Highland Graze Company! BIG thanks to Liz Flores for making this possible - owner and SES parent! Students also helped to make the event festive by designing snowflakes which were used to decorate the faculty room both outside and inside! It was truly a winter wonderland - thank you to the MANY students who shared their creations! Thank you to SES families and PTA for the continued support!

Committee Chair: Megan Cohen mgcohen01@gmail.com





5th Grade EventsPlanning Committee

The 5th Grade Planning Committee invites all 5th graders to a bowling party on Sunday February 26 12:30pm-2:30pm. \$5 includes bowling, pizza and beverages, and arcade credits. We are also looking for parent chaperones for this event - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544afa723a46-5thgrade#/ Please see the attached flyer for details!

Committee Chair: Anne Blanchard anneblanchard96@gmail.com

Family Socials Committee

These events are being planned by the family socials committee. We will share more details when we have them.

March 4 @ 7 pm: Adults' Night Out at Union Brewery April or May TBD: Family Orioles Game Iune TBD: Student Art Show and End of Year Celebration

Committee Chair: Julie Luht luhtja@gmail.com

DEI Committee

In the past couple of months, we worked on setting a statement of purpose and goals that we shared with the PTA and the wider Stoneleigh Elementary School community. It is our hope that these will be adopted by the PTA and help inform our work moving forward.

Our group is growing but we are still open to new members. We'd love to hear your voice, perspectives, and ideas! Please contact us at ses.pta.dei@gmail.com if you would like to join a meeting.

Beatrice "Bea" Gaddy is a famous Black woman from Baltimore who was inducted in the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame in 2006. She served on the Baltimore City Council and was well known for her advocacy for the homeless and poor. She also was the pioneer of Thanksgiving feeding of the homeless in Patterson Park, Baltimore City through her homeless shelter she founded called the Bea Gaddy Center.

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A few local activities in celebration of Black History month:

Frederick Douglass Driving Tour Map | VisitMaryland.org

Welcome - Reginald F. Lewis Museum

Explore Maryland's Underground Railroad | VisitMaryland.org

<u>CELEBRATION: Uplifting and Honoring the Culture and History of Black Dance | Jewish Community Center of Greater Baltimore (jcc.org)</u>

Gold and Blue and Creative Too

The Stoneleigh PTA is again sponsoring Gold and Blue and Creative too!, the creative art and writing publication that showcases the wonderful work of Stoneleigh students. We will be calling all students to submit a personal creative work to the collection, theme or topic is the student's choice. The works will be compiled into a printed book to celebrate Stoneleigh Elementary students' creative minds!

Write a story, a poem, a song, or draw a picture! You decide. Keep an eye out for submission details coming soon.

Committee Chair: Mary-Beth Fedor marybeth.fedor@gmail.com

Yearbook.

The Stoneleigh Yearbook is currently for sale! See the attached flyer for details on how to order. The sale will end on 3/24.

Committee Chair: Jen Jobson

5TH GRADE BOWLING PARTY!

Sunday, February 26th 12:30 - 2:30 pm
Towson Lanes
701 Southwick Dr.
Towson, MD 21286



Join your classmates at a 5th grade bowling party!

\$5 Ticket price includes:

- Bowling
- Pizza & Fountain Drinks
- Arcade Credits
- Shoe Rental

5th Graders only please!
Parent Chaperones will be on site.
Please return form by Monday,
February 20th.

Questions? Please contact Anne Blanchard anneblanchard96@gmail.com

Please return form with \$5 cash or check made out to Stoneleigh Elementary PTA.

Kindly return form by Monday, February 20th.Dropforms & payment in SES office dropbox. Venmo also accepted: @fergalm, please note "Bowling Party"

Student Name:

Homeroom:

Parent Name & Email:

Emergency Contact:

The PTA welcomes all SES 5th graders to this celebration! If this ticket price is financially difficult, please request to have it waived by contacting the 5th grade guidance counselor:

Ms. Watkins bwatkins4@bcps.org

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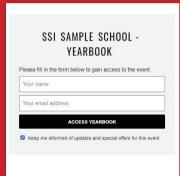
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STONELEIGH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL **2022-2023 YEARBOOK**

PRICE - \$20.00 DEADLINE TO ORDER - 3/24/2023

ONLINE CODE - YB26145

All yearbook orders are shipped in bulk and will be distributed by your school.

