

Fountain Hills Charter School

PTO "Eagle" News

NOVEMBER 2014

Important Dates:

11/5 3:15-4:00 Ms Lisa's 2nd/3rd grade class presenting their Famous Place projects - all are invited!
11/7 Half day Early Release
11/10 MIM field trip
Rooms 105,108 & 109
11/11 Veterans Day/No School
11/14 Parents Night Out 3:15-9:00 (& tentative date for Dec is 12/12)
11/18 2nd/3rd grade field trip to Riparian Preserve in Gilbert
11/19 Operation Christmas Child Packing Party 3:30-6:00
11/26 Harvest Day/Early Release
11/27 FH Thanksgiving Day Parade!
**School will have a float featured in parade! We hope you will join in!
11/27 & 11/28 NO School
ONGOING - Tax Credit Donations

Next PTO Meeting

El Pueblo Campus Rm. 105
Nov 19th Wed 3:30pm

Next School Board Meeting

Nov 17th Mon 4:00 pm

Check us out on the Web!

www.fhcspto.org

Questions?
Comments?
Volunteer?

Contact us at:

pto@fhcspto.org

PTO Officers:

President:

Tracy Alcorn-Banning

Vice President:

Dawn Luke

Treasurer:

Sally Dean

Secretary:

Betsy Carrie

Harvest Festival

This is the annual Thanksgiving day feast with your children and FHCS staff. This is such a festive event which includes a potluck Thanksgiving meal, raffles and book fair. Each classroom is working hard towards creating a basket for the raffles which will be awarded at the luncheon. We hope you can participate in the contribution of the basket as well as attending this wonderful event. If your child's classroom theme is not designated below, please connect with your child's teacher. Teachers, if you would like to have info included in the school newsletter please contact Betsy via text at 480.720.5355. Themes for the baskets are as follows, please make your donation directly to your child's class by Nov 14th.

** Pre-K- Ms Milena - Arts and Crafts ** K/1 - Ms Catherine - Minecraft **K/1 - Ms Elizabeth - Frozen **2/3 - Ms Lisa - Girls Slumber Party

Parent Volunteers needed on Tuesday to help set up book fair and on Wednesday to help man it. Please contact Dawn at dblue2@msn.com

TAX CREDIT

Did you know you can donate up to \$400 as a couple to our school and if you are due money on your tax return you will receive it back from the government and if you owe money on your tax return, you will owe \$400 less? That is how the tax credit works! Donate today and you can even make payments! Payments due by 12/31/14

PTO Meeting Contest

The classroom with the most parents in attendance at the next PTO meeting (11/19) will win a class party!! Teacher must be present at meeting for class to win!
We discuss everything from curriculum & school development to events & fundraising at the meetings.

THANK YOU for your generous participation in the Cherry Dale Cookie Fundraiser for our school. Together we raised \$3,000.00. Your fundraising efforts make a direct impact on FHCS and Mr. Tom will be making a special announcement at the Harvest Festival to share how those funds are being spent.

Sincerely,

PTO board

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TRENDSSETTERS

Important Trendsetter Dates

Friday 11/7 at 4:30 pm
4th-8th grade girls sleep-over
leadership retreat

Tuesday 11/11 - Optional field
trip to Tucson for marine
biology lab and tree ring study

Saturday 12/13 - 3 pm - 7 pm -
(tentative)
Phoenix Children's Hospital
Toy Drive and Ignite Hope
event - Donations needed: new
unwrapped toys

Parents Night Out/Babysitting Night

Friday 11/14 and tentative
Friday 12/12 3:15-9:00 pm

Parents enjoy the night out
while your kids are having fun
with the Trendsetters! \$25 for
the first child, \$10 for each
sibling.

Donations needed: sheets or
blankets for fort building.

Pennies for Patients

Thank you to everyone who
participated in the Pennies for
Patients fundraiser for the
Leukemia & Lymphoma
Society! The students at FHCS
raised a combined total of over
\$870! **Congratulations to
Ms. Catherine's class** for
winning the Olive Garden
lunch! Her class collected
almost \$300 in donations for
Pennies for Patients!

Tin Can Drive

Trendsetters is doing a tin can
drive to feed the homeless.
Students can collect both
empty and full cans. Artist
Alexi Devilliers creates Tin
Can Robot Artwork. He uses
the proceeds from the sale of
his artwork to purchase more
food for the homeless. Then he
uses the empty cans from the
food to build more robots, so
then he can buy more food!
Alexi and his wife cook and
deliver about 80-100 hot meals
to the homeless in Phoenix
every Saturday.

Donations needed: tin cans,
empty or full.

Operation Christmas Child

Please join with us to pack
Operation Christmas Child
boxes. You can pack your own
at home and bring it into the
school or join us for the packing
party in the gym on Wednesday
11/19 from 3:30-6:00 pm.
Please bring \$7 donation per
box to help cover the shipping
costs.

Donations needed for the boxes:
soap, washcloths, toothbrushes,
toothpaste, toys, candy that
won't melt, hats, gloves, school
supplies, etc.

Volunteers needed to become short-
term host families for Matsiko World
Orphan Choir. They will be in
Fountain Hills December 4th-8th and
need housing and meals during their
visit. It is a wonderful and memorable
experience for the whole family. They
are very sweet and well-mannered
kids. Please contact Ms Lisa for more
details.

*"Volunteers are always welcome to
help out in the classroom, read one-
on-one with students, help students
with math, help with photocopying,
create learning center materials, help
supervise during lunch and recess
time, drive & chaperone for field trips,
be guest speakers, help run a learning
center, help with science experiments,
etc." from Ms Lisa however I am sure
all of the teachers will welcome parent
volunteers!*