

John Muir PTA Notes

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Week Sixteen

December 18, 2008

A Million Thanks!

Kids Night Out held on Friday, December 5th was a huge success once again – with almost 70 kids in attendance. Thank you Alfonso Esqueda, Dana Facciano and Michele Magni for helping out – and THANK YOU Michelle Pasquet for putting together another wonderful event. Michelle and her helpers had great activities, food and entertainment for the kids. Between the dancing, crafts and games, everyone had a fantastic night!

209 Members by 2009 PTA Membership Drive

Remember: 209 members by 2009 is the goal. We can't do this without you! Joining the PTA shows your support for not only John Muir, but for your child's educational future.

PTA Membership is \$10 per person. Enclose payment in an envelope (cash or check) with your name, email address, phone number, student(s) name(s) and his/her teacher's name. Send your envelope to the school office marked PTA. And remember to include your email address for access to the PTA's new online communication tool, *Big Tent*.

If you have any questions, or would like to join the PTA, please contact Pat Pope, our Membership Coordinator, by email at tp_pope@yahoo.com or at 650-589-2589.

Thank you for your continuous support!



REMINDER Don't forget to turn in your receipts from the Shops at Tanforan. Every dollar spent equals 1 point for John Muir (points are divided by total student enrollment). So turn them in -

either to the School Office or at the mall's My School's Cool locker, which is located by Sears' mall entrance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 18 Winter Performances – 10AM (Doors open at 9:30AM)
MINIMUM DAY – 1:20PM DISMISSAL
- 19 Winter Recess Begins!

JANUARY

- 5 Classes Resume!
- 8 SBPSD Reconfiguration Committee Meeting – 7PM
(District Office, 500 Acacia Avenue)
- 13 School Site Council Meeting – 3:15PM (open to public)
(John Muir Library)
- 14 San Bruno Park School District Board Meeting – 7PM
(District Office, 500 Acacia Avenue)
- 19 NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 20 PTA General Meeting – 7PM (Multipurpose Room)
- 23 PTA Round-Up – 8:40AM
- 29 *Special* San Bruno Park School District Board Meeting – 7PM
(District Office, 500 Acacia Avenue)
- 30 Family Games Night – 7PM



Taking Pictures with Santa at the Mall? Purchase a photo package and earn **100 points** for John Muir. Receipts can be logged in at Tanforan Mall's Customer Service desk or you can turn them in at school.

**The John Muir PTA would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!
We look forward to seeing everyone when we come back to school on January 5, 2009.**

**Thank you to ALL our students, teachers, school staff, parents, families and friends
who have helped make 2008 a great year!**

We'll see you in the New Year!

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT WITH THE "NO HASSLE" FUNDRAISING.
YOUR EVERYDAY SHOPPING MEANS MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL!!**

Not all of Your Favorite Stores Do Scrip. *Here's the Next Best Thing.*

If your favorite store does not participate in scrip, consider the American Express Gift Card, now available from our scrip program. It can be used at over a million stores and restaurants in the US, including Target, Costco, and many local grocery stores like Publix and Kroger.

We offer denominations of \$100 and \$200 with no additional fees. Each gift card purchased earns a 1.25% contribution to our organization. Buy one today!

Please note that the following cards are no longer available:
Linens N Things and *Domino's Pizza*.

We are also adding Hallmark - \$25 denomination, Jiffy Lube - \$30 denomination, and Kmart - \$25 and \$50 denominations.



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Now you can shop for Scrip gift cards online using *Presto Pay*. Go to www.shopwithscrip.com. You can also reload some of the cards you have purchased with us. Register by clicking "Not a Member" and entering John Muir PTA's enrollment code BFA3B419259.

If you have any questions in using the online Scrip ordering site, please contact Marcie Gigena at marcie_gigena@earthlink.net or call her at 650-291-0360. You can also access a User Guide at www.shopwithscrip.com/myaccount/SWS_Family_User_Guide.pdf once you have enrolled.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!



PLEASE SEND IN YOUR BOX TOPS!

Send in your Box Tops in an envelope, Ziploc bag, or using

the enclosed sheet – and please make sure you clip outside the pink - - - - - lines!

Let's raise some money. It's so easy!



Various food products by Campbell's, Franco-American, Pepperidge Farm, Prego, Swanson, and V8 are included in the Labels for Education program. The front label, UPC Code or lid, depending on the product, is submitted for redemption.

Send in your clipped labels today!

Help us help our school.

Enroll in Take Charge of Education[®] and Target will donate a percentage of each REDcardSM purchase you make back to our school.

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eScrip

eScrip is a hassle-free way for John Muir PTA to receive funds through everyday purchases you make at participating merchants like Safeway, Mollie Stone's, Lunardi's, **and more**. Best of all, eScrip costs you nothing! It's EASY!! It's FREE!! It's POWERFUL!!

eScrip and merchant partners have created a system that rewards customer loyalty by contributing a percentage of your purchases to the group of your choice. John Muir parents, teachers, friends, and families are encouraged to register their Safeway Club Card, their credit/debit cards, and their Macy's charge cards. Once you have registered your cards, a percentage of all purchases you make with those cards, at any eScrip merchant, will be given to John Muir. **Please register your cards today!** Remind your family that eScrip is an easy and FREE no hassle fundraiser.

Our Group Name: John Muir Elementary Group ID: 137317377

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Pope, our eScrip coordinator at tp_pope@yahoo.com or at 589-2589.

Have a question or comment on the John Muir community, or for the John Muir PTA? Have an idea or suggestion? Please submit your questions, comments, or suggestions to us by sending your note to the school office. **And feel free to approach any of the PTA Board Members: Colleen Ahuna, Sheila Dudum, Jill Engel, Marcie Gigena, Nina Keys, Maria Vasil or Jennifer Torres.**