

# GRAHAM PTA NEWSLETTER

May 7, 2018

## UPCOMING DATES

### May 7

Blessings in a Backpack  
8am

### May 7-11

Teacher Appreciation  
Week

### May 10

PTA Meeting  
9:30am MPR

### May 11

Plant Sale Pickup Day  
10am-4pm

### May 16

Skate Night  
"Glow Night!"  
6-8pm

### May 18

Fifth Grade Picnic &  
Graham-azing Race  
(5<sup>th</sup> grade only)

### May 24

Restaurant Night  
MOD Pizza & TCBY

### May 25

Field Day

This morning we kicked off **Teacher Appreciation Week** with teachers and students volunteering their time at our last Blessings In A Backpack packing event. **Our volunteers packed over 600 bags before the start of school** – that is 2 weekends worth of food for 300 students of Olney Elementary. THANK YOU to everyone who came to help and to all the parents who stayed late to help load all the packed bags afterwards. Thank you **Sarah Anderson** for your hard work all year in coordinating our Community Service events!!

**Our plants are arriving this Friday** – thank you to everyone who placed an order! If you did not place an order but would still like to purchase some plants for your spring garden, please stop by **Graham between 10am-4pm! We will have additional plants and flowers available for purchase.** Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors too!

**PTA Membership forms** for next year were included in our school registration packets for students in xxK-4 last week. Please take a moment to fill it out and return it to school – **we are aiming for 100% participation from family and staff.** Other schools in our district have achieved this goal, and we hope to join them! We thank you for your continued support! (*\*please note: checks will be deposited after July 1 at the beginning of our PTA's next fiscal year*)

As always, thanks for reading!

Emily

## LAST PTA MEETING!

May 10

**Our last PTA meeting of the year (!!) will be on Thursday, May 10 at 9:30am in the MPR.** The outgoing PTA board would like to invite all our **committee chairs and anyone who has volunteered at a PTA event to join us!** This will be an informal meeting and a chance to meet next year's PTA Board. We would also like to use this opportunity to say THANK YOU to everyone for helping us make this year a success for our school and students! We hope to see you there!

## STAY CONNECTED!

### Graham District Website:

<http://graham.ipdsd.org/>

### Graham PTA website:

<http://www.grahampta.org/>

### PTA Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/grahampta/>

2017-2018 PTA BOARD

President: Emily Chen

Vice Presidents: Tiffany Treacy & Stephanie Melone

Treasurer: Suzie Perkins

Secretary: Brooke Murphy

# Plant Sale

May 11

Please help us on Friday, May 11th during the annual **Graham Plant Sale**. We need assistance organizing the delivered orders before school, and we also need help selling plants to new customers that day! Note that this is our scheduled delivery window- and volunteering happens rain or shine!

For more information, please contact **Tammi Anderson** [tanderson937@comcast.net](mailto:tanderson937@comcast.net) or **Patrycja Dolega** [kuleczka@yahoo.com](mailto:kuleczka@yahoo.com) . Thanks for giving your time to Graham! We appreciate you!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054eacaf28a6fd0-plant>

# SKATE NIGHT

May 16

Please join us for our **last skate night on Wednesday May 16 6p-8p** at the Aurora Skate Center. Wear white and see yourself glow! **Thank you to Michelle Coles** for organizing all the Skate Night events this year! Waivers will go home in backpacks and are also available on our websites.

# 5th Grade Farewell Events

May 18

The **5th Grade Farewell Picnic and Graham-azing race will take place on May 18th, 1-2:30**. Please pack a lunch and come join your 5th grader for this fun event. Invitation will be going home with the students today. **Volunteers will be needed** to help set up/clean up and to help with the race.

Please click on the link to sign up.  
<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0849a4ac29a7fa7-5thgrade>

# Junior Achievement Volunteers

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time and energy to our Junior Achievement program. Please remember to turn in your JA kits to the main office upon completion of the program. Thank you for bringing this program to all of our students this year!

# Restaurant Night

May 24

Please save the date for our LAST restaurant night of the year: **May 24<sup>th</sup> at MOD Pizza and TCBY!** 20% of proceeds will be donated back to Graham from MOD and 30% back from TCBY! This is a fantastic way to celebrate the end the year with friends and family.

# FIELD DAY

Friday May 25

Come join and volunteer for the festivities as we celebrate the end of the school year. There will be activities, games, beverages, and snacks to start a fun and restful summer vacation. **To volunteer for this exciting day**, please contact: Sue Duncan [smduncan1328@msn.com](mailto:smduncan1328@msn.com) 630-355-5275 Schedule of grade levels attending Field Day:

Kindergarten 2:15 – 3:25

First Grade: 2:15 – 3:25

Second Grade 10:35 – 11:45

Third Grade: 1:00 – 2:10

Fourth Grade: 10:35 – 11:45

Fifth Grade: 9:15 – 10:25

# END OF YEAR TEACHER GIFTS

Year end teacher gift letters will be distributed this week. If families would like to contribute towards a class gift to your child's classroom teacher, please return the form and contribution to your class room mom. **More details and information will be included on the letter home.** Gifts will be presented to classroom teachers during the last week of school.

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