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Hello Paloma Families!

 A Note from the Board: 

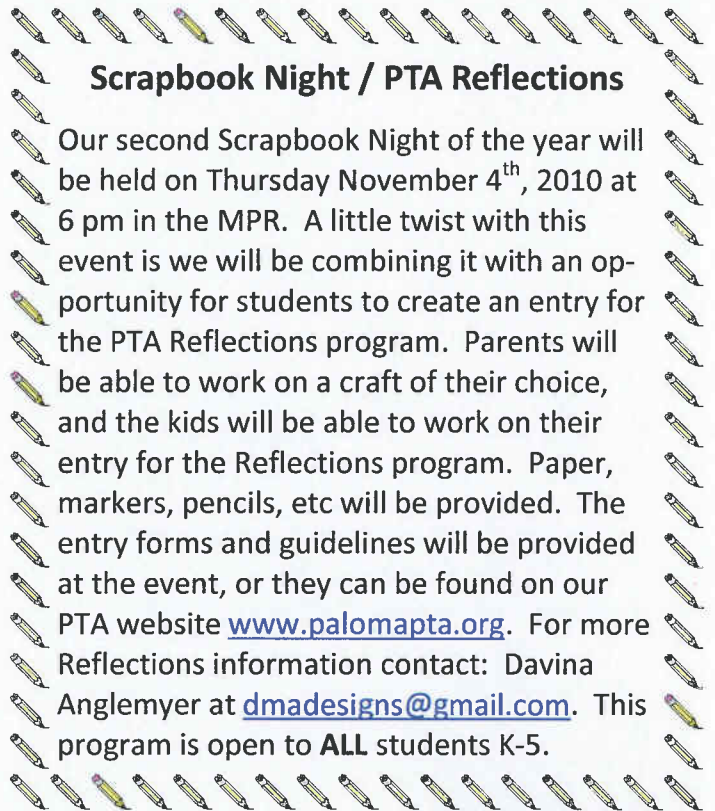
Hope you all had an enjoyable Fall Break! Just prior to the break we held a very productive PTA meeting. We would love to have more participation from the parents in decisions being made for your children and school, and strongly encourage you to attend our next meeting on **Tuesday December 7th, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the Paloma Library.** Childcare provided for potty-trained children ages 3 and up.



Thank You!

We tried something new this year and held our first annual Pumpkin Patch/Petting Zoo this past Saturday and it was a huge hit! The kids were so excited to ride the ponies and interact with the animals in the petting zoo. Hope you had a chance to enjoy the games, pizza and kettle corn as well. This event would not have been possible without the tremendous efforts of **Shiela Jarvis and Char Mortenson**, as well as the parents, teachers and students who volunteered at the event. Thanks!

Our PTA closet recently underwent a much needed reorganization while being cleaned out to prepare for the new carpet installation. A huge THANKS to **Sherry Stephenson** for volunteering her efforts to acquire much needed shelving for the closet. A special THANKS to **Lloyd & Cheryl Thompson, Kyra Staples and Anna McClure** for their efforts in cleaning out and/or reorganizing the closet. The items for the various PTA events are now much more easily accessible.



Scrapbook Night / PTA Reflections

Our second Scrapbook Night of the year will be held on Thursday November 4th, 2010 at 6 pm in the MPR. A little twist with this event is we will be combining it with an opportunity for students to create an entry for the PTA Reflections program. Parents will be able to work on a craft of their choice, and the kids will be able to work on their entry for the Reflections program. Paper, markers, pencils, etc will be provided. The entry forms and guidelines will be provided at the event, or they can be found on our PTA website www.palomapta.org. For more Reflections information contact: Davina Anglemeyer at dmadesigns@gmail.com. This program is open to **ALL** students K-5.

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Paloma Wellness Challenge

The Paloma PTA is providing a new program this year where students will be encouraged to follow a healthy lifestyle. We hope to get all the families involved. The program will run from Nov. 29 2010 - Jan. 22 2011, completing the day of our 3rd annual Running Event. We will be offering weekly challenges on nutrition and physical activity. A flyer will be sent home on Monday Nov. 15. that will also include information on how you can volunteer to help. A huge THANKS to Dawn Mack for heading up this program!

Book Fair

If you have not had a chance to stop by yet, our Book Fair will be open through Nov. 4th, 2010. A special thanks to all the Grandparents that shopped for books on Saturday during our Pumpkin Patch event. There is a huge selection of books available for all grade levels. A new book makes a great gift and encourages a love of reading in our children. If you would like to volunteer your time during the book fair, please check for available openings at www.mysignup.com/paloma.

No Cost Fundraisers

Just a quick reminder to link your Fry's or Bashas' cards to our Paloma codes if you haven't done so yet. The codes are provided on our website: <http://www.palomapta.org>.

Also, don't forget to keep saving your mall receipts for School Cents (from August 15, 2010-April 15, 2011)! We earn double points in January, so you can either hold on to them until then and turn them in at Customer Service or turn them in at school. Molly Swindler will then take them in. You can track how Paloma is doing by going to http://www.shoppingpartnership.com/points/chandler_fashion_center.htm. While you are there, be sure to sign up for the newsletter. Our school will receive 1,000 points for signing up! Also, if you purchase an American Express gift card at Guest Services, we will receive 1,000 bonus points (these are great Christmas gifts for employees).

SCHOOL CENTS



The totals are in for our Box Top contest and the top 2 classes with the most box tops are Fletcher & Willis . . . Congratulations! Both classes have earned a popsicle party. Thanks to all the families who submitted Box Tops. Keep saving your Box Tops as we will be having another contest in the Spring!

Help Wanted!

One of the many benefits of being a Paloma Dove is a free yearbook for each student. We are only able to provide this at no cost to the families due to the generous parents who donate their time to help put the yearbook together. **Kristi White** has kindly stepped up to chair this event, but needs volunteers to help with gathering photos, etc. If you would like to help with the yearbook, please contact Kristi at white.kristi@gmail.com. Thanks!

Save the Dates!

Please save the date for the following near term events:

- Oct. 29th, 6:30 PM: Pumpkin Walk
- Oct. 25th - Nov. 4th: Fall Book Fair
- Nov. 4th, 6:00 PM: Scrapbook Night/Reflections Projects
- Nov. 11th: Restaurant Night at Somburros by Chandler Mall - All Day
- Nov. 19th: Polar Ice Night

Pumpkin Walk

Please join us for our annual Pumpkin Walk on Friday October 29th at 6:30 pm. It is so much fun to see all the kids dressed up in their costumes and to check out the very creative and spooky pumpkins around the playground. See you there!

