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Minutes from 3.20.19

Words from Ms. Hsu and Mr. Shevell:

Spirit Week was a huge success! We had amazing events every day.

-Thank you to the PTA for a successful Spirit Week which included the Pep Rally and 116 Day! Flash Mob by teachers was a big hit. Personalized t-shirts were given out to the whole school staff. Bulletin boards were created around the first floor to celebrate our community and PS 116.

"Positive energy"

-Congratulations to Tani and our chess program! 116 Chess has always been wonderful and Coach Russ is very supportive.

-Pre K application period ended on Monday 3/18. Offer letters will go out late April. Kindergarten registration letters will go out late March.

-Pre K - 4th grade families will receive will you return forms. We use these to plan for the future school year. Funding is based on school enrollment. In addition, Please fill out school surveys that were sent home.

- Grades 3-5 will have ELA and Math exams ELA coming up on 4/2 and 4/3, 2 days of testing Math testing will be in early May

Parents need to support their kids and "de-emphasize" the tests. Kids get too stressed. Test prep is going on now in classrooms. On days of the exam students in grades 3-5 will go right up to class.

Please be on time.

Have a healthy breakfast and unplug an hour before bedtime to get a good nights sleep.

PTA Presidents & Exec Board:

Spring Auction is Thursday, 4/11. Our biggest fundraiser of the year. Brings in lots of \$ and allows us to fund special programs such as chess in classrooms.

- Buy your tickets now. Many options \$116 for single ticket, discount for couples ticket, donate for teacher/staff ticket (this is for specialty and staff - main teacher ticket is included in Yearbook page which emails will go out soon).
- Raffle tickets will go on sale soon, buy online at auction website and in yard. Raffle is for Large Size Wine Bottle, VR Goggles, Jewelry
- Register credit cards and get auction account for online now - you will not be charged if you do not win anything
- Please spread word to families about how auction works, still feedback that parents are confused
- We are still accepting donations upto the last minute, check your closets for new items you don't want!
- Please send photos of your kids and class to the auction email for a slideshow that will be at auction only
- We will need volunteers to help with 1) selling raffle tickets in yard 2) power point photo presentation 3) packing and sorting auction items 3 evenings 4) day of decorating and moving items to HomeBase
- March 31 the online auction goes live (ends April 16)
- Spring Fair is May 4, save the date. New cool stuff including mobile gaming station! Will be run by 5th grade. 11am-2pm.
- 116 Store and spirit sales are going well, order online. Feedback is welcome!
- At April PTA Meeting we will be recruiting for May elections. All positions are open. If you have questions about positions please speak to current members/Terri. There is a position for everyone with different levels of commitment and different skill sets. - Thank you to Wagamama for donations of green juice.