



Argonne Elementary Parent Teacher Organization

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Giving Letter Update

Congratulations Room 103! They won 1st place (in the contest to be the first class to achieve a 100% response to the Giving Letter). In other great news, Rooms 101 and 107 tied for Second Place. Please continue to send in your giving letter responses for an ice cream party. To date, we have raised \$53,872.50 in the 2009/10 Giving Letter Campaign with our goal of \$60,000 still within reach. The deadline has been extended one final time so there's still time to donate.

In Other Fundraising News...Cookie Dough Sales & Box Tops & More

Yummy cookie dough perfect for the upcoming holidays. You should have received a Cookie Dough Catalog and order form last week. If you did not or need another one, please check with the main office or call Annie Au @ 269-8633. You can also email her at annie_chow@msn.com. Argonne receives 40% of the proceeds, which helps us fund our Arts, PE, computer lab, reading team and many other great Argonne Programs.

Keep collecting those box tops and Campbell's UPCs labels. Every 10 cents adds up for Boxtops. As for Campbell's, UPC labels yield points so that Argonne can earn free supplies and materials (such as balls, jump ropes, art supplies, markers, and many other awesome things) for our students. For more information about the mechanics of these programs, visit www.boxtops4education.com/ OR www.labelsforeducation.com.

Scholastic Book Fair – Coming Next Week!

(See event flyer for more details)

As you know, the Scholastic Book Fair is coming next week -- Oct. 21st thru 30th. We Need Your Help! Please see our flyer in this Tuesday's Folder, kindly sign-up and return it to the office (extra sign-up sheets are also available in the office). The Fair is just around the corner & we need your support! If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Hom at 386-5468 or Dina Gee at dgeedesigns@gmail.com And for those who have already volunteered to take a shift or 2, "Thank You."

Wanted: Yearbook Coordinator

Based on the success of last year's yearbooks, we would like to continue fundraising for yearbooks this year and hopefully for years to come! We are currently looking for a Yearbook Coordinator -- someone who can decide on which company to work with (yearbook vendors are calling us now & want to work with our school), communicate with

parents to get a good variety of pictures, and, work closely with the chosen yearbook company to meet all deadlines & delivery dates. Please contact -- Dina Gee at dgeedesigns@gmail.com -- if you are interested in this position.

Sally Foster Delivery Update

Sally Foster delivery is this Friday, October 16th. Orders will be delivered to each child's classroom. If you placed a Sally Foster order, please make arrangements to pick up your boxes on Friday.

October 17 – 20th Anniversary of Loma Prieta Earthquake & Argonne’s Emergency Preparedness

Many events around the city and state will commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Loma Prieta Earthquake this Saturday, October 17th. This is a timely reminder for us all of the importance of emergency preparedness – both at home and at school. For our new families – just a recap that last spring a few parents obtained a grant from the Northwest Convener Initiative to support an Emergency Preparedness Day at Argonne. In addition to funding the event itself – attended by approximately 130 adults and children – the grant also enabled us to purchase 20 Emergency Kits for Argonne – these kits arrived in July. Each kit has a list of the contents on the outside, and their expiration dates. The next time you visit your child’s classroom, be sure to ask the teacher to show you where the kit is located. Emergency Preparedness is everyone’s job.

Volunteer Recognition: Parking Fundraiser Oct. 3-4

Please join the PTO in thanking the following parent volunteers who worked at our recent parking fundraiser: Under the expert leadership of volunteer extraordinaire Eric Lichtenwalter, we are also so grateful to these parents: Cassandra Belair, Donna Campbell, William Chang, Maria Chew, Jennifer Creasman, Jim Cureton, Inda Ganbaatar, Tak Hayashi, Sylvia Kwong, Robert Leong, Sandra Leong, Erin Lichtenwalter, Vadim Litvak, Jamie Litz, Michael Loudermilk, Eric Luu, Robin Morjikian, Adina Safer, Julie Weaver, and Felicia Won. Also, thanks to our principal, Robin Sharp for spending her weekend with us to open and close the yard for us each day! What a team effort.

Upcoming Events / Important Dates

PTO Meeting:	October 14 (6pm; childcare available)
Pumpkin Patch Field Trip: Petaluma)	October 16 (all kindergarten classes,
Spirit Day (this Friday, October 9):	To Be Announced
Caring School Community:	Good Reader