

AVS PTA Meeting
November 20, 2018

Welcome and Introductions- Sandi Leclair, President

Thank you to our volunteers and coordinators- Sandi Leclair

- Huge thank you to the coordinators and volunteers who held successful events in the month of October. Thanks to coordinators Wendi Guillette, Amy Johonett and Christine Ducharme for the Monster Mash, Ami D'Amelio for the Missoula Children's Theater Program and Heather Lockwood for the Chaos and Kindness with Recycled Percussion assembly.
- Thank you also to all those who volunteered at those October events as well as the Barnes and Noble Book Fair.

Updates-

- Fall Fundraiser. \$15,000 in products was sold which is about a 50% increase from last year. Incentive prizes will be handed out tomorrow at the Brave Rally.
- Monster Mash- Amy Johonett- The event was well attended. Some highlights and suggestions for next year..
 - Thanks to Jay Murphy who was the DJ for the event at no charge.
 - Starting to plan in early September was key.
 - It was a good balance of community event and PTA fundraiser
 - Next year, possibly change the start time so the little ones get in early.
 - Adjust the lighting in the gym.
- Missoula Theater- Ami D'Amelio- The play in October was the Pied Piper. There were 55 students participating in grades 1, 3, 5 and 7. The revenue was \$4000 and the expenses were approximately \$5500. 344 visitors attended the 2 shows.
 - The next show will be The Snow Queen during the week of March 18th for students in grades K, 2, 4, 6 and 8.
 - Planning ahead, the future shows will be the week of October 21, 2019 and March 16, 2020
- Barnes and Noble Book Fair- Mindy Bedard
 - Great turn out for the event. The 4 raffle baskets along brought in \$209.
 - Thanks to guest readers Dr. Collins and Mrs. Lewis.
 - The AVS Chorus was a nice addition to the event.
- Recycled Percussion Assembly- Heather Lockwood- The band was very gracious and generous with their time. The tricky part was scheduling so all the grades could see them.
 - In a couple weeks, the kids will be able to get a bracelet with a code to watch a video of the day.
 - PTA paid for this event.
- Box Tops- Melissa Kamyck- Year to date, we have earned \$1030. We are on track based on previous years. Next collection official collection day is in May or June however we will have another one in the winter.
- Square 1 Art- This event/ project is offered to students in grades K-4.
 - Last order dates is Monday, November 26th. This is a strict deadline for the orders
 - Ms. Frtiz spearheaded this effort. Thank you!

Upcoming Events-

- Scarlett Lewis will be at AVS on November 29th at 6:30 pm.
 - She is a mom of a student that was killed at Sandy Hook. She will be speaking about the importance of recognizing and understanding mental illness. She will speak about teaching children that they have the choice to be good and not negative.
 - NHJS will provide babysitting.
- Reflections- Adrian Newton
 - Intention forms were due in October. 47 students submitted forms. All grades were represented.
 - Submissions are due on December 3rd
 - Art Night will be held on January 9th.
- Holiday Fair- Sandi Leclair
 - The fair will be held on Saturday, December 8th.
 - 36 tables spots were sold at \$45 each
 - New kids crafts are needed. Sandi Leclair motioned to increase the budget to \$1,000. Amy Lachance seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - There will not be a reindeer raffle this year but there will be raffles.
 - Volunteers are desperately needed.
- The next PTA meeting will be held on January 15th. No meeting in December
- PTA Social will be on January 31st at 6:30 pm at the Auburn Tavern