

**The Parent Group
At
The Child's Primary School**

The Mission of The Parent Group (TPG) at the Child's Primary School is to support the Community of Families and Staff of TCPS, and to create and support events and activities that enhance the educational environment, and foster the sense of community at TCPS.

This last year TPG sponsored numerous activities, and we were able to donate \$30,000 to the school, with \$16,000 earmarked for the Scholarship Fund. With our donations we are able to help maintain reasonable tuition rates for the school, and to support kids to come to our school who would not otherwise be able to afford it.

We also provided \$150 mini-grants for the Teachers to purchase un-budgeted equipment this last year. Some of the items funded by these grants last year included guitars for Music class, Presidential Fitness medals, GPS units for a Geography/Math unit, Binoculars for Science canyon walks, a new computer monitor for the Library, art supplies for Research presentations, a Middle School Camp bound photo book, and several speciality books for Spanish, Geography, History, and Language Arts. We also gave the Staff snazzy re-usable nylon shopping bags as Holiday gifts this last year.

Some of the things TPG does every year are:

- coordinate the Beginning-of-Year Parent's Potluck
- organize and provide the First-Day Parents coffee
- sponsor and create the Hallowe'en Carnival
- provide lunch for the Staff on Thanksgiving Feast Prep day
- provide coffee for the Staff on conference days and Big Event Prep day
- organize and sponsor the Spring Jogathon and Silent Auction
- sponsor the Staff-Appreciation breakfast
- provide Staff appreciation gifts for the Staff
- organize and sponsor the Used Book Sale
- make a large end-of-year donation to TCPS

We do all this with the TPG membership dues, E-scrip income, and with your generous Spring Jogathon donations. We couldn't do this without all the Volunteer support from the Families at TCPS, and are looking forward to another successful year.

All TCPS parents are welcome to attend the monthly TPG Board meetings to see what is going on and offer your ideas, suggestions and/or help in any of the events we work on. In addition we need volunteers to do specific jobs throughout the year. (Many opportunities are listed on the reverse of this letter.)

Thanks,

The TPG Board

Edie Saville, President. Kari Ohlsen, Treasurer and Membership Chair. Julia Castlen, Member at Large and Jogathon Chair. Schuyler Twyman, Member at Large and Auction Chair, Noreen Clindinning, Lead Room Parent.

(Please see the reverse for Volunteer Opportunities for 2011-2012 School Year. Please check off any interesting opportunities and return this form to the TCPS office or let a TPG Board member know of your interest.)

The TCPS Parent Group Volunteer Opportunities

Every year The Parent Group at TCPS needs to fill the following positions and jobs. Please indicate if you are interested in taking on any of these positions or jobs for the 2011-2012 School Year, or a future year. If you have any questions about what these jobs entail, please contact any member of the TPG Board.

TPG Board

The Board meets monthly with any interested parents to plan and coordinate TPG events.

- Future President
- Vice-President:
- Future Treasurer
- Communications Chair
- E-scrip Chair
- Future Jogathon Chair
- Special Events Chair
- Future Lead Room Parent

Halloween Carnival (Last Friday before Halloween)

The Carnival is held on school grounds and has games, jumper, prizes and treats for the kids.

- Event Chair
- Help with Prizes
- Help with Planning
- Help with Decorations
- Setup/Cleanup at Carnival

Jogathon (April)

The Jogathon is a fund-raising event held in the Spring where kids/staff/parents/family/friends run laps for sponsors. Donated items and services and Kids art are also auctioned off at this event.

- Future Event Chair
- Help with Planning
- Decorations
- Trash Hauling
- Wine Auction Chair
- Wine Auction Ticket Sales
- Wine Research
- Setup/Cleanup

Silent Auction (Held during Jogathon)

Donated items from merchants and parents are sold in a silent auction format

- Future Auction Chair
- Solicit Auction Donations
- Auction Runner
- Bid Sheet Preparation
- Merchandising/Display
- Table Decorations
- Set-up Tables at Event

Kids Art (Auctioned off during Jogathon)

Art created by the kids in a collaborative art project are auctioned off in a live auction.

- Kids Art Chair
- Kids Art Classroom Volunteer (Grade _____)

Staff Appreciation Breakfast Chair (Early May)

The Staff Appreciation breakfast is typically a pot-luck meal served to the staff, with bagels for the kids. Flowers and food are brought in by the kids and parents.

- Event Chair
- Help with Planning
- Decorations
- Setup/Cleanup at Breakfast

Used Book Sale (Two days in Early June)

Used Books and games are donated by TCPS Families, and are re-sold to kids/parents/staff.

- Event Chair
- Sort/Organize Donated Books
- Staff Book Sale before/after School (circle one or both)

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