



MARY WOODWARD PSO NEWS

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The Carnival Is Tonight



Grab your cowboy hat the Wild West Carnival is taking over Mary Woodward tonight from 4:30 – 8:30 pm. Come early and place your bid on those fabulous classroom baskets at the silent auction. Bidding closes at 7:30. There will be a live band “The Hip Waiters”, a pie eating contest for adults and kids, and performances by Metro cheerleaders. We will have all of our classic carnival games plus a giant inflatable slide and the extreme attraction called the Shooting Star. Come and bring your whole family for dinner. Davidson’s Restaurant will be back again this year cooking their famous hamburgers and hot dogs along with Pizza Caboose who will be supplying the Pizza. And of course no carnival is complete without snow cones, popcorn and cotton candy. Tickets will be on sale at the carnival 4 for \$1.00. See you at the carnival!

An Amazing Year of Art

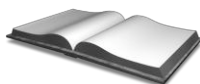


From collages to frescos, Pop Art to clay sculptures; it’s been an amazing year of Art Lit. The kids learned about six different artists, explored an interesting variety of art media, and even had the opportunity to paint in a dedicated art studio! Be watching for your child’s Art Lit portfolio, with all their completed projects, to be coming home soon.

Many, many, thanks to all our wonderful Art Lit volunteers for sharing your time and talents with our students. If your child will be back at Mary Woodward next year, we hope you will be, too. And for those of you who haven’t been a part of Art Lit yet, you’re invited to join in the fun!

Thanks for the Memories!

A BIG thank you goes out to Terri Ward and all the parents and teachers who graciously contributed time, photos and stories to the yearbook this year! Thanks also to Michelle Woolfolk and Stephanie Brown for helping with sales. Yearbooks will be delivered on June 12th. If you haven’t ordered one and are still interested, please e-mail Terri at wards.pc@comcast.net. You can also buy one in the office after June 12th as supplies last for \$18. Thanks to everyone who helped to make a great yearbook this year!



-Kristina Smelley

Get Ready to Play on Field Day

Field Day is almost here and it is going to be a blast! Field Day is Friday, June 12 for Kindergarten and Tuesday, June 16 for Grades 1-5. Many thanks to those who have volunteered to help - we couldn't have this fun-filled event without your support! Be watching for the volunteer schedules to come home with your child next week. Please remember to dress your child appropriately for Field Day activities. We still have a few positions left to fill, so if you are interested please email one of the committee chairpersons: Kristin Allen - kristinallen9@gmail.com or Carolyn Leitherer - abcd22@comcast.net.



Caring Closet Donations Needed For Next Fall



The Caring Closet will provide hundreds of school children with clothes and shoes for school next fall but they need your donations now. The last day to donate at the school lobby collection bin is June 12. Please sort out your children's clean and gently worn clothes by June 12 and volunteers will deliver them to the Closet before they close for the summer.

Calendar Of Events

| May | |
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| 29 th | Carnival |
| June | |
| 12 th | Year Books Delivered |
| 12 th | Kindergarten Field Day |
| 16 th | Grades 1-5 Field Day |
| For more info, visit www.marywoodwardpso.com | |

Making Our School Better, Together. The Mary Woodward Parent Support Organization (PSO) was established to promote quality education, communication and understanding among the students, parents, faculty and the community of Mary Woodward Elementary School. The PSO sponsors various academic and social programs, coordinates volunteer activity and conducts fundraisers, all in the spirit of providing enrichment for our students and assistance for the work in the classroom. All parents and legal guardians of enrolled Mary Woodward students are invited to participate in the PSO. There is no cost for membership. Meetings are usually held the second Monday of each month from 9-11am in the cafeteria. For more PSO news online, visit www.marywoodwardpso.com.



Make a Difference

Mary Woodward Families,

I was pleased to announce this past PSO meeting that many positions have been filled for next school year regarding our fabulous events that occur thanks to our Chairpersons. Thank you for reaching out to me and asking questions to see if one of these opportunities would fit your interests and work with your schedule.

When I enrolled our son into Mary Woodward almost six years ago, I was a mom who worked part-time and was eager to get involved in my son's classroom. Mrs. Borman was our teacher and I immediately signed up to be her Room Parent. Throughout the years I had signed up to help in other areas enjoying the new friends I was making along the way. As the fourth grade year was coming to a close I started to feel sadness of our time here coming to an end. I started thinking that I wanted to do something our final year that would hopefully make a difference. After all, this school had been so good to us. Robin McFall called me soon after and I knew what I wanted to do, Volunteer Coordinator position. This has been the best year and I have enjoyed immensely getting to know more families and making new friends that I will always cherish. Thank you!!

Please take a look at the following positions still available and see if there is something that interests you. Feel free to call or email me with any questions. I would be happy to chat with you. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Catie Stedman - Volunteer Coordinator
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Volunteer Coordinator

This is a yearlong volunteer position on the PSO Board working with all Chairpersons and Faculty, when needed, to facilitate parent volunteers to help with the several events throughout the school year. You work side by side with the PSO President at the beginning of the school year to organize welcome packets for students and distribute sign-up sheets on Back to School Night to get your volunteer base started. You manage the volunteer sign-in computer and its many functions for communicating with our volunteers. **Time Commitment is the entire school year and hours vary depending.**

Staff Appreciation

Organizes & implements staff appreciation activities throughout the year. **Time commitment: 2-10 hours depending on task.**

Spring Fundraiser

Coordinates the details of Mary Woodward's Spring fundraiser. **Time commitment 1-80 hours depending on task. Chair & Co-Chair Preferred.**

Carnival

Plan yearly themed Carnival. Organize volunteers for ticket sales, booth construction, decorations, prizes, food and outdoor activities etc. **Time Commitment 1-80 hours depending on the task.**