Spring Garden Buzz

October 2024

Hello, October! We are off and running!

Believe it or not, October is already here. We've really just begun the school year, but we are already seeing so much growth in our kids! They are getting classroom and school routines down, their confidence is growing, and we are already seeing lots of academic



growth in many of our kids as they get back in gear after the summer. Way to go, Spring Garden kids!

I also notice that **our arrival and dismissal processes are going much more smoothly and safely**. Thank you all for your help in keeping our kids safe during these busy times of day!

There are lots of fun events on deck this month at school and in our community. We will keep you posted as the month moves forward, but here is a preview!



Join us for American Education Week on Monday, October 7!

We welcome all SG families to join us for American Education week on Monday, October 7. We will hold two sessions, and you are welcome to come to one or both. For the morning session, families can come in with their children at 8:55 and stay until 9:40.

In the afternoon, families can arrive at 2:30 and remain until 3:15. You are welcome to take your child home with you when you leave at 3:15.



Events around town

The BASD website posts <u>flyers</u> <u>about important events</u> — medical clinics, fun gatherings, giveaways, and all kinds of things to engage and support your family. Check it out!



SG alums are giving back!

Have you seen our little free library out on North Blvd., or the gaga pit by the playground! They are Eagle Scout/Girl Scout projects done by BASD kids! We are so thankful that our kids are giving back even after they leave elementary school.





Panera Dine & Donate on 10/7

Need dinner on Monday,
October 7? Panera will donate
25% of your order back to our
PTO if you enter the code
FUND4U for online orders or
show them the SG flyer below.
Win-win!



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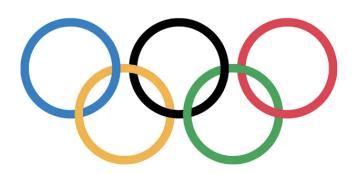
Show this flyer at the Panera on Route 512 on October 7 to donate 25% of your meal to SG!

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Ramsey's Olympics!

Which grade level will go the farthest in the run to raise money for Spring Garden?

Let's go, Spring Garden Olympians!



Fund our field trips & support our teachers!

Our big fall FUNdraiser is heavy on the fun! Get ready for Ramsey's Olympics on our half day, October 17. Watch for flyers coming home with your kids for more information about how to support our teachers and kids during this event!

Every dollar raised funds field trips, classroom supplies, year round activities, and a plethora of other special projects such as everyone's favorite green classroom folder and the solar glasses for the eclipse last year.

We are bringing back raffle baskets this year! For every \$50 donated, your child will receive one raffle ticket to put into their choice of several awesome baskets.

The goal for our fundraising this year is \$18,000! That breaks down to \$3,000 per grade, \$750 per class, and about \$50 per student. You can donate by sending cash or checks back to school, or donate online through 99Pledges:

- Please select the correct teacher, and include child's name in message box.
- When making a donation please make sure the "tip" option is at "other" and the amount is 0.

**Special volunteer opportunity: we would love to have our mascot Ramsey attend our event on October 17. We will provide the suit, we just need a volunteer to wear it! Please contact springgardenpto@gmail.com if you are interested.

Halloween & Fall Harvest celebrations

We are changing our celebration of Halloween this year to better include all of our Spring Garden students! We are really excited about this shift because we want all our kids to have fun together. This year, our Halloween parade will happen at 9:15 am. This will allow kids who are participating in it to get dressed in their



costumes at home; please have them wear school clothes under their costumes so they can easily change back in the classrooms. And as always, do not send children in violent costumes, with weapons, or in face paint.

Many of our families do not observe Halloween. Any children who do not participate in the Halloween parade will attend a fun fall activity event in school during the parade. If you prefer that your child join in this activity rather than the Halloween parade, fill out this form to make us aware. We will then have our classroom fall harvest parties in the afternoon.

We will send more details about October 25 home as we get closer to the festivities!



All are welcome at our PTO meetings

Join us in person at school <u>or</u> <u>on zoom</u> on October 24 at 9:15 am.



Join our SG safety committee

All families are welcome to join us for our monthly safety committee meetings. They happen on the second Friday of the month at 8:15 in the library. Our next meeting is on October 11.



School will be closed...

- early dismissal (11:45) on October 17
- no school on November 5





Drive-through flu clinic: November 16, Freedom High School! See flyer below.



Flu Clinic Flyer November 2024

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