**PTA Agenda 11/7**

We discussed ideas for spending the $30,000 that we ended up not having to pay the city for the playground. It was a huge gift and here are some of the ways the parents would like to see it spent this year:

Paper cutter x2

Poster maker and paper

Bigger field trips for all grades

3rd grade visit to the capital building in Hartford

Palace Theatre or Westport community theatre trips

School play or concert

After school clubs led by staff

Multicultural night take 2

Potluck night with BINGO or games

Outdoor tables to replace what is currently there

Book vending machine

Marvin wrap for the school

As we go through the year, we will be voting on how to spend this money accordingly.

Chair Updates

* Treasurer – she was sick but we just brought in $5,500 from the TTD grant plus we are getting more from the Mobil and Subway fundraiser
* Enrichment – they are setting up author visits including the author from the I Survived series and a marionette show for all grades
* Communications/yearbook – picture retake day is December 3, photos will be coming in soon from picture day
* Fundraising – we brought in $5,500 from the TTD grant plus $250 for the Mobil gas station kickoff. We are waiting on a check from the fundraiser but it is usually between $5-6K. Our raffle fundraiser is currently going on until December 5, please continue to promote and share and sell tickets, we have a lot of great prizes. We are also looking into hosting a McDonald’s night and will need 8-10 volunteers to work during a three hour shift.

Upcoming Events

* Raffle Fundraiser – keep selling tickets and promoting, we are a long way off from our goal of $10,000.
* Snowflake Shop (December 12-13) – we will need volunteers to set up on the 11th and to run the shop on the 12th and 13th, keep an eye out for a signup genius.
* Staff Holiday Treats – what should we do before the winter break? – some ideas were to have a flower bar, ice cream bar, hot cocoa bar, etc.

Other

* Talking about having a community night ta Skyzone
* Room/grade parent signups will be going out this coming week
* We will be starting a bottle drive and be collecting plastic bottles, please send them in if you have them
* Thank you to everyone who came out to support the 5th grade bake sale, they made over $800 for their field trip
* Don’t forget to check out our website marvinpta.com, it has all of our events listed, information about teachers, and staff wish lists for the holidays and beyond.