



ROSEMONT NEWS

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February 3, 2012

Calendar Items

Monday, February 20
Friday, March 2

HOLIDAY, Presidents' Day – NO SCHOOL
Early Release Day – students dismissed at 12:35 p.m.

Dear Parents:

At the beginning of the school year, we began using the access control system to enhance the safety and security of students at Rosemont. This allowed us to keep the front door locked at all times and to “buzz” visitors into the building. I personally feel it has helped to ensure that visitors are not bypassing the office when they enter the building and it has allowed us to keep better track of who is in the building. Beginning Monday, we will add an extra layer to the access control system. When visitors enter the building, they will be required to present their driver’s license. If you don’t have a driver’s license, you will need to show a photo ID. Your license will be scanned into our *Visitor Management System*, a computer program that keeps track of all visitors in the building. The program will also print a visitor’s badge that will need to be worn by the visitor at all times while in the building. In the past, we have not been strict about having visitors sign out when they leave, but now you will need to sign out when you leave the building. Please bear with us as we begin implementation this procedure next week. The good news is that once a visitor is in the system, we do not need to scan the ID each time. We can simply print a badge. I do think this will be an added way to enhance the safety and security of students in the building.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Sweeney, principal

Love a Book Week will be held February 6-10. Thank you to all the parents and staff who signed up to be guest readers. As of the last count, we have 100 adults coming into classrooms to read to our students. We are really excited about this special week and look forward to seeing our parents serve as role models and share their love of reading.

During the week of February 27 – March 2, we will be celebrating **Dr. Seuss Week**. Many activities have been planned for the students during this week. On Thursday, March 1 from 7:15-8:00 p.m., families will be invited to come and listen to Dr. Seuss stories to be read by teachers. We hope to see you there! Please look for more information to come home later in the month.

Clothing from the health room

If your child received a change of clothing from the health room, please wash and return them.

PTA News

VISIT THE PTA WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST AT:

***<https://sites.google.com/site/ptarosemont/> or click on the PTA link via the Rosemont ES website ***

Upcoming Events, so mark your calendars:

Tuesday, February 7 - PTA General Membership meeting, free babysitting available

Wednesday, February 8 - Vocelli Pizza (and more) take-out/delivery fundraiser – all day long and every second Wednesday through the end of the school year.

Friday, February 24 – Science Fair (snow date is March 2)

We would like to thank all of our Parent and Teacher Volunteers and Leaders – it is only with your help that we can make great things happen for our kids!

Congratulations to Ms. Pope's first grade class for having the most sales during our first Vocelli fundraiser – enjoy your class pizza party! Which class will get a pizza party next time?!

TAKE-HOME OR HAVE DELIVERED ANYTHING – pizza, subs, stromboli, salad, dessert, and so much more - ANYTIME, ON **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH**. Check out the VOCELLI menu at <http://www.vocellipizza.com/consumer/menu/index.php> Vocelli's is located in downtown Gaithersburg and will deliver to all Rosemont families for this fundraiser (within a reasonable delivery area). **PLEASE ORDER VIA PHONE ONLY AT 301-990-8866**. SO, WHETHER AM OR PM, FOR YOUR HOME OR YOUR OFFICE; YOU GET THE FOOD and THE ROSEMONT PTA GETS 25% OF ALL ROSEMONT SALES! **The homeroom with the most sales will get a pizza party again this time and every time!!! We will have this fundraiser every month on the second Wednesday through the end of school, so please mark it on your calendar.**

The **Science Fair** is scheduled for February 24 with a snow-day of March 2. **Please check out our website at <https://sites.google.com/site/ptarosemont/> for more information.**

Membership makes Rosemont powerful! Please make sure to become a member of the Rosemont PTA. Membership dues are \$10 for an individual, \$20 for a family and \$6 for staff. Please note that the money received mostly goes toward county, state and national dues and are only minimally providing us any revenues. But, your membership gives Rosemont, specifically, a voice – and the more members, the louder our voice in the county, in the state and nationally. It's that voice that will help to make the Rosemont experience that much more enriching for our Rosemont students. So, please become a member. For a membership form go to our PTA website: <https://sites.google.com/site/ptarosemont/> - **complete the form and send it in your child's take-home folder.**

We could not do all we do without our volunteers! And, we really need you... **without help we just cannot continue providing the kind of services and enrichment that you would want out of your PTA and for your most prized possessions, your children.** We are turning over positions in the 2012-2013 school year and need people to step-up to President, Treasurer, Fundraiser Chair and Scholastic Book-Fair Coordinator, just to name a few. It is absolutely imperative that we get leadership for these positions and begin training them-in **NOW**. In addition, we are currently looking for Fundraising, Programming and Hospitality committee members. Please do not hesitate to contact carrache@gmail.com to take-on these positions. ****HS students interested in obtaining SSL credit for babysitting during PTA meetings should also contact me.****

Please visit our Rosemont PTA website at <https://sites.google.com/site/ptarosemont/> for more information regarding opportunities to support our school and our Rosemont PTA.

