

Beecher Road School  
PTO, 2024-25

Woodbridge  
School Board  
Meeting  
May 20, 2025



# Beecher Road School PTO 2024-25 Program on a Page (GM Agreed)

Annual Budget –  
approximately \$80,000

## August

- Kindergarten Social ✓
- Welcome Back Teachers ✓

## September – GM Mtg (9/17)

- Ice Cream Social – Sept 12 ✓
- Grade Level Socials – 1&2 ✓

## October

- Picture Day ✓
- Halloween Hoot – Oct. 26 ✓

## November – GM Mtg

- Thanksgiving Drive ✓
- Fall Book Fair ✓

## December

- Science Night ✓
- Career Ambassador Week ✓
- Email Fundraising Ask ✓

## January – GM Mtg

- Popcorn Fundraiser ✓
- Book Swap ✓
- Parents' Night Out ✓

## February

- International Night ✓
- V-Day Teacher Breakfast ✓

## March – GM Mtg

- Math Night ✓

## April

- Spring Book Fair ✓
- Arts Week/Arts Night (5/1) ✓

## May – GM Mtg (elections)

- Teacher Appreciation Week ✓
- Quassy ✓

## June

- *Field Day* FUN RUN
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

# Highlights from Fundraising Community Events

## Fundraising Events

- **Book Fair**
- **Picture Day**
- **Halloween Hoot**
- **Popcorn Fundraiser**
- **Quassy**
- ***Field Day* FUN RUN**



# Book Fair

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- Fall & Spring Fairs
- Family Night
- Coupons for kids on low income lunch
- Scholastic Dollars & Cash earned





# Let's Celebrate: Hoot Success!

- Summary:
  - Auction – raised \$14,163
    - Teacher experiences raised \$3,799
    - Class baskets raised \$1,152
  - Donations: \$1825
  - Event (wristbands + bake sale) – raised \$12,537
    - Pre-sales – 423 individual and 41 family wristbands (546 kids)
    - Total – about 650 kids
  - TOTAL: \$28,525
  - FUN & SMILES!





# Celebrate Success!: Popcorn Fundraiser

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- Thank you Mrs. Fanelli!!!!!!
- Sold about \$15,000 of popcorn;  
PTO made \$7500

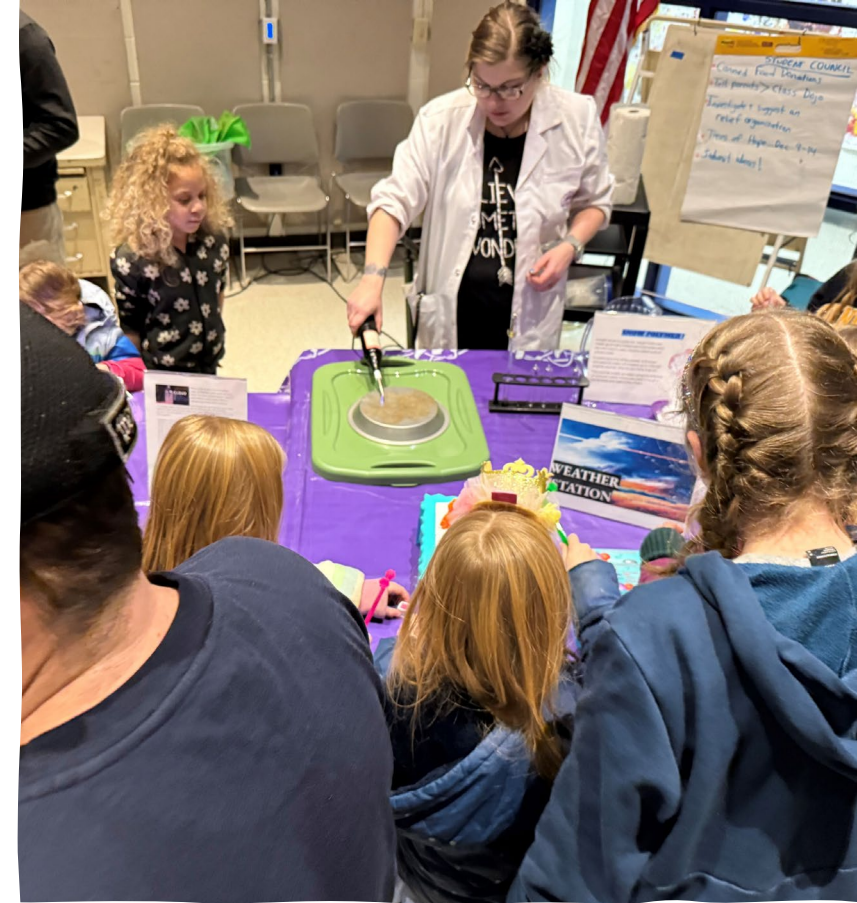
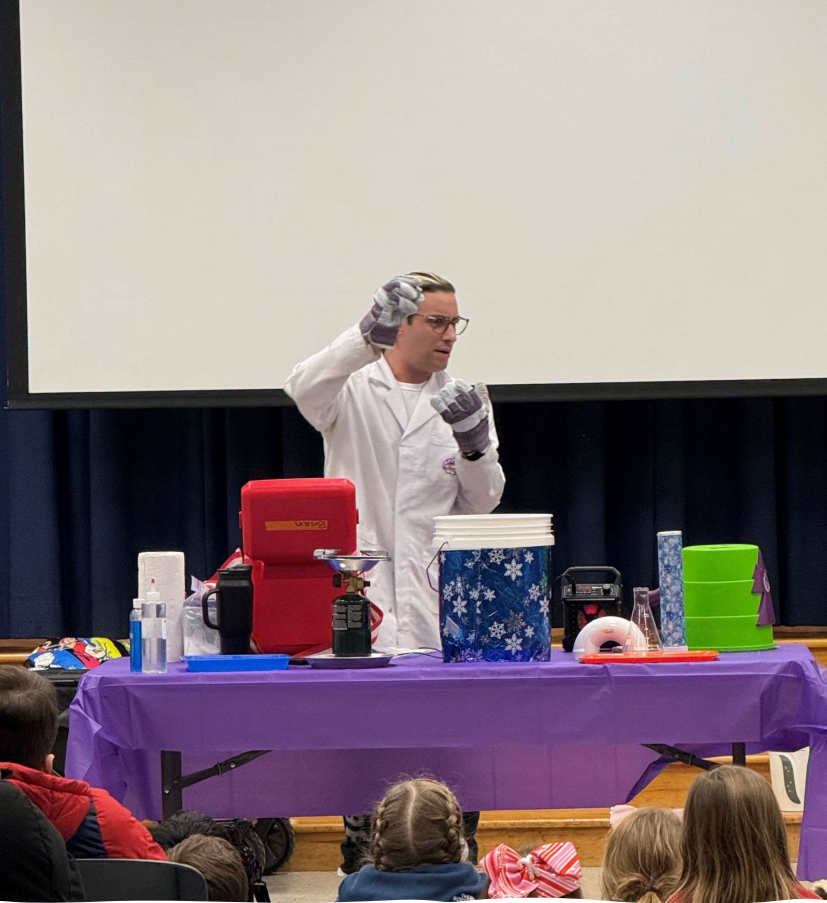


# Highlights from PTO Community Events

## PTO Community Events

- **Book Swap**
- **Thanksgiving Drive**
- **Science Night**
- **Math Night**
- **International Night**
- **Arts Week/Arts Night**





# Science Night

- This year, funded by the school, organized by PTO
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party chemistry presentation and hands on stations for age-appropriate physics and chemistry



# Thank You Book Swap Volunteers!

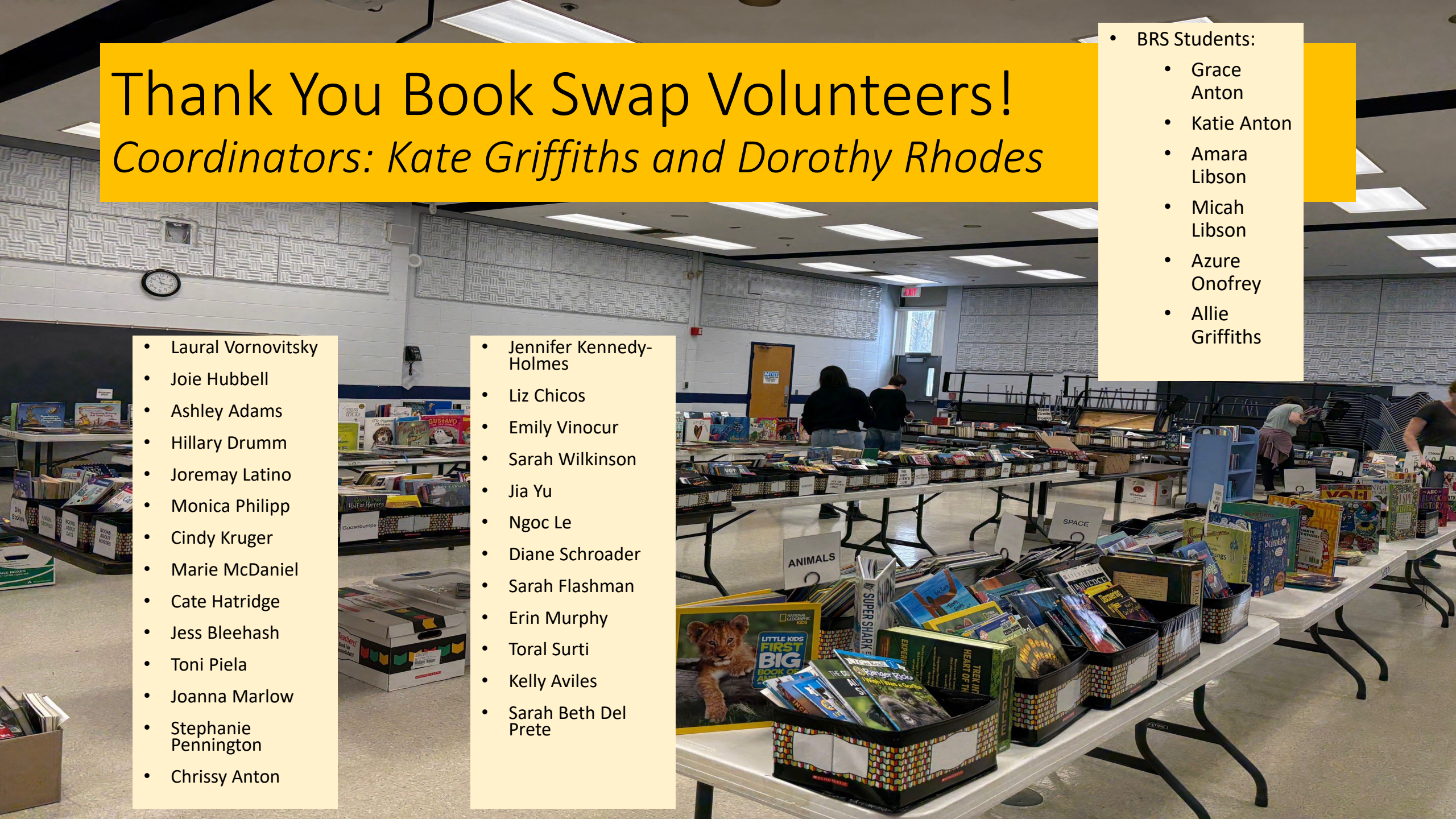
*Coordinators: Kate Griffiths and Dorothy Rhodes*

## • BRS Students:

- Grace Anton
- Katie Anton
- Amara Libson
- Micah Libson
- Azure Onofrey
- Allie Griffiths

- Laural Vornovitsky
- Joie Hubbell
- Ashley Adams
- Hillary Drumm
- Joremay Latino
- Monica Philipp
- Cindy Kruger
- Marie McDaniel
- Cate Hatridge
- Jess Bleehash
- Toni Piela
- Joanna Marlow
- Stephanie Pennington
- Chrissy Anton

- Jennifer Kennedy-Holmes
- Liz Chicos
- Emily Vinocur
- Sarah Wilkinson
- Jia Yu
- Ngoc Le
- Diane Schroader
- Sarah Flashman
- Erin Murphy
- Toral Surti
- Kelly Aviles
- Sarah Beth Del Prete







It takes a village!  
Thank you to  
Lauren Cohen for  
Coordinating, and  
for many families  
running over 14  
country tables; and  
many teachers &  
staff & high school  
volunteers serving  
food!

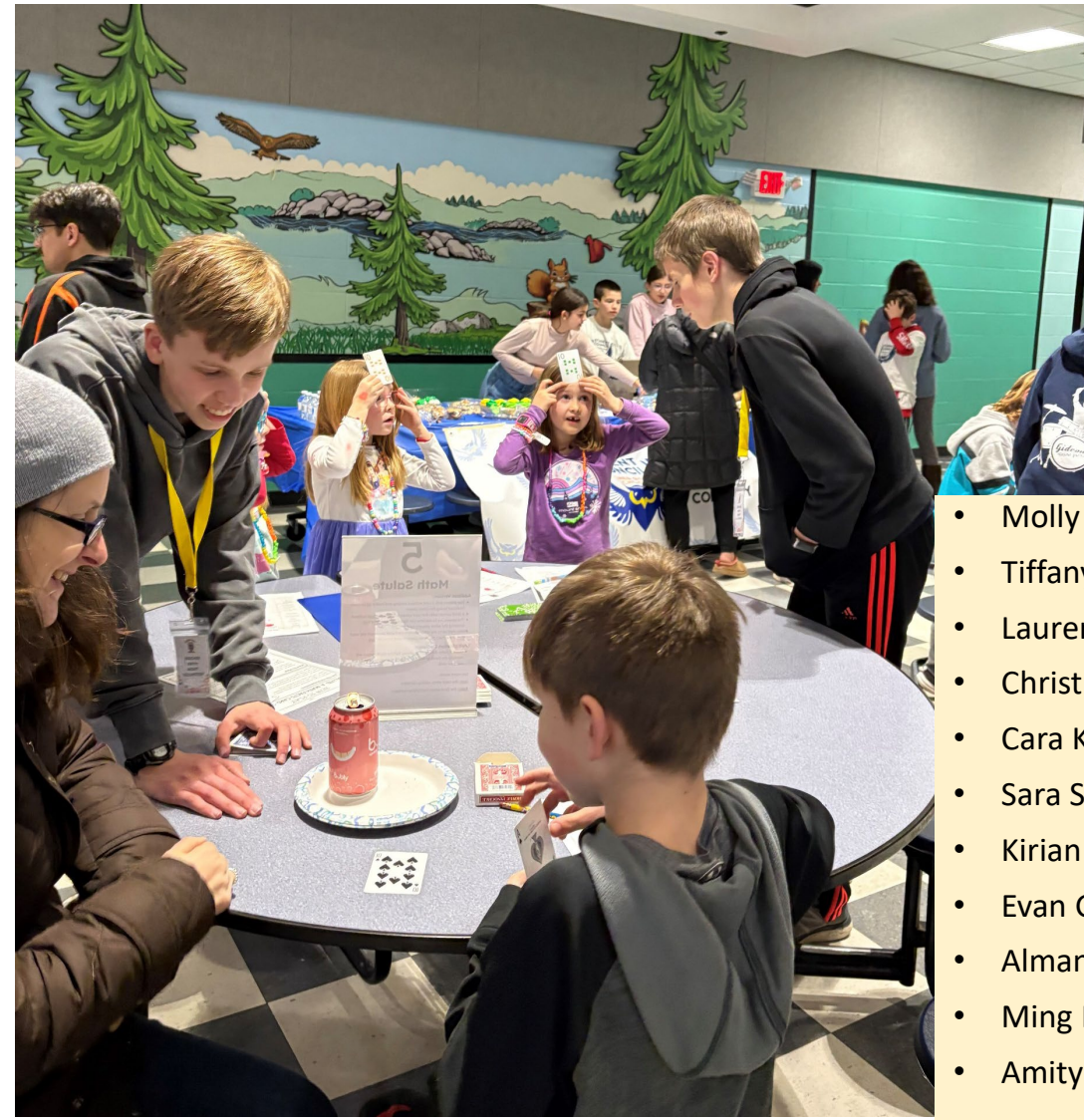


# Celebrate Success: International Night!



# Thank You Math Night Volunteers!

*Coordinators: Betsy Hull, Jen Kennedy-Holmes, Richa Sharma & Mrs Meacham*



- Molly Anderson
- Tiffany Milton
- Lauren Gagliardi
- Christina Baker
- Cara Kurlander
- Sara Steinberg Forman
- Kirian & Rory Drumm (Hillary)
- Evan Griffiths & Josh Anton
- Almanzo Abraham (Libby)
- Ming Hui (Mathnasium)
- Amity High School Students from Math Club!

- BRS Student Council for running a Bake Sale!





# Arts Night 2025

- Thank you to our Arts Teachers  
Mrs. Gomes & Mrs. Acheson
- Thank you PTO Volunteers!
  - Coordinator Christina Ondrus
  - T-shirt designer – John Hogan
  - Parent Workshops – Emily Costa, Irhie, John Hogan, Larissa Hall, Terry Landau
  - Food, comms & set up – Sami Falk, Tara Buckman, Monica Philipp, Erin Murphy, Betsy Hull, Beel Ahern, Jeanne Ciarleglio, Laurel Lorenzi, Teresa Nakouzi



# Highlights from Teacher/Staff Appreciation

## Teacher Appreciation Events

- **Welcome Back Teachers**
- **V-Day Teacher Breakfast**
- **Teacher Appreciation Week**
- **NEW: Monthly Stock the Staffroom**



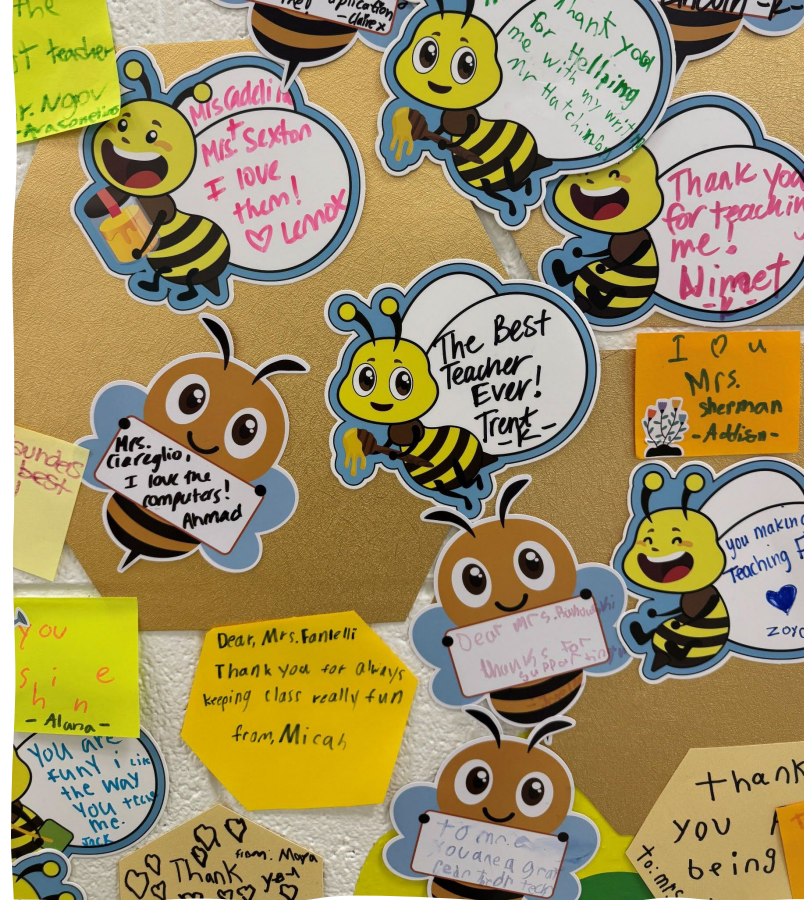
# Thank You Valentines Day Breakfast Volunteers!

*Coordinator: Susan  
Lettellier*

- Tara Buckman
- Ashley Adams
- Kelly Aviles
- Joanna Marlow
- Erin Murphy
- Gina DePuma







# Teacher Appreciation Week

- Thank you to PTO Volunteers:
- Coordinators: Joanna Marlowe, Sarah Flashman, Ashley Adams, Erin Murphy
- Volunteers: Kristy Laydon, Rachel Guerra, Sami Falk, Monica Philipp, Tiffany Milton, Joie Hubbell, Dorothy Rhodes, Mary Daoutis





## NEW: Stock the Staffroom

- PTO & Parent combined effort
- Approximately monthly treats




# Additional PTO Programing

NEW: Parent Ambassador Program – Career talks in every class



In School Academic Enrichment – Teacher Grants; Scholastic Magazines



In School Academic Enrichment – In-School Events (e.g. Birds of Prey, Beardsley Zoo, STEM program, Elm City Shakespeare, Eli Whitney)



School Spirit – Beecherwear; Picture Day

# PTO Teacher Grants

- **Total funding amount:** \$9437.95 spent this year
- **Total # of grant requests funded:** 23
- **Grades served:** Every grade, plus literacy and math specialists and ESL
- **Examples of items purchased:**
  - flexible seating
  - classroom organization (drawers, mailboxes)
  - books
  - white boards
  - materials for math/STEAM activities center
  - portable speaker for whole-school use



Also completed  
purchase of all  
seating requested  
last year!



# 2024-25 In-School Academic Events

**Overall budget: \$17,100**  
**Budget per grade: \$2,000 (approx.)**

## Completed:

- Pre-K/K/1: Groove to Grow (March)
- Grade 3: New Haven Museum, "The Quinnipiac: The People and the Land." (October)
- Grade 4: CT History Museum: "On the Move: Immigration and Migration to CT" (April)
- Grade 5: Eli Whitney Museum
- Grade 6: Elm City Shakespeare
- MAG: Whalemobile

## Booked/confirmed:

- Grade 3: Wingmasters, Birds of Prey (May 20 & 21)
- K, 1, & 2: Chris Rowland, Beardsley Zoo (May 23)



3<sup>rd</sup> Grade students touching items from the New Haven Museum



# Highlights from Social Events

## Social Events

- **Kindergarten Social**
- **Ice Cream Social**
- **Grade Level Socials – 1&2**
- **Parents' Night Out**



## NEW: Parents Night Out!!

- Thank you Joanna & Sarah and all the parents who came out!





# THANK YOU BRS PTO Board 2024-25 & MANY Volunteers!

- *2024-25 Board Hopes & Dreams:*
  - *build community*
  - *be inclusive*
  - *be a welcoming and connecting presence for kids, parents, teachers*
  - *make all the kids feel loved*



Officer	Volunteer
President	Cindy Kruger
Vice President	Monica Philipp
Secretary	Laurel Laurenzi
Treasurers	Betsy Hull & Jennifer Kennedy-Holmes
Chair of Fundraising	Susan Lettelleir
Chair of Communications	Erin Murphy
Chairs of Social Events	Joanna Marlow & Sarah Flashman
Chair of Academic Events	Cara Rosner
Teacher Liaisons	Aimee Meacham & Jeannie Ciarliglio
Administrative Liaisons	Mrs. Sherman; Mr. Sapia – Hoot; Mrs. Tafel





# THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!!!!



Tiffany Milton	Devin Puglisi	Kierstin Wesolowski	Lynn Piascyk
Hadiye Balik	Daranee Vescovi	Rebecca Costa	Vonda Tencza
Joie Hubbell	Edith Luysterborghs	Amany Mroueh	Gina Paniccia Grant
Dorothy Rhodes	Alexis Walter	Amelia Hackett	Yin Lin
Rachel Guerra	Katie Winterbottom	Joie Hubbell	Jennifer Plonsky
Mary Daoutis	Rebecca Kalikawe	Jennifer Kennedy-Holmes	Steven Lawrence
Amy Nagle	Mandar Muzumdar	Niroj Miziri	Mandy Wu
Cara Rosner	Michael Opuszynski	Joanna Marlowe	Maria Teran
Diane Schroeder	Sarah Flashman	Lindsay Brooks	Alexandra Sanchez
Amanda Tyma	Jia Yu	Molly Anderson	Angela Pellegrino-Grant
Orysia Capasso	Laurel Lorenzi	Erin Murphy	Ashley Adams
Joremay Latino	Aimee Meacham		
Meghan Tasker			



# Thank You International Night Volunteers

*Coordinator: Lauren Cohen*

- Many families who set up country tables & performers!
- Shamlee Kulkarni
- Mrs Meacham
- Clara Buzzoni
- Anaya Kaoroptham
- Sophie Maung
- Elena Huber
- Meher Quadri
- Saori Nozaki
- Arshiya Pillai
- Dorothy Rhodes
- Aprile Allen
- Mrs Analisa Sherman & daughter
- Mr James Sapia
- Atul Kulkarni
- Clara Buzzoni
- Sophie Maung
- Anaya Kaoroptham
- Ms Crocco
- Ms Ahern
- Elena Huber
- Meher Quadri
- Tiffany Milton
- Yan Zhu
- Clara Buzzoni
- Madison Lindsay
- Many High School Volunteers!



# Over 116 (!) Hoot Volunteers

Planning Committee: Mr. Sapia, Erin Murphy, Monica Philipp, Betsy Hull, Noemi Smith, Orysia Capasso, Teresa Nakouzi, Jennifer Nickle, Susan Lettelleir, Jeff Daddona, Richa Sharma, Katherine Brennan, Naomi Origanti, Caitlin Petrelle, Linda Chritsy, Jennifer

<i>Megan O'Grady</i>	<i>Annalexia Tillman</i>	<i>Giavanna Charbonneau</i>	<i>Kennedy Holmes</i>	<i>Meher Quadri</i>	<i>Johnathan Chow</i>	<i>Gary DiBlanda</i>
<i>Jaclyn Dorsey</i>	<i>Mariam Basyouny</i>	<i>Mica Cardozo</i>	<i>Sofia Nail</i>	<i>Mariha Salahuddin</i>	<i>Brayden Zhang</i>	<i>Jennifer DiBlanda</i>
<i>Dianna Mcarthy-Bercury</i>	<i>Mandy Wu</i>	<i>Peyton Brown</i>	<i>Andrew McDaniel</i>	<i>Joy Kim</i>	<i>Amelia Cohen</i>	<i>Quinnipiac Sorority</i>
<i>Kierstin Wesolowski</i>	<i>Helen Lin</i>	<i>Rachael Malagrida</i>	<i>Ava Ruskowski</i>	<i>Livi Cedeño</i>	<i>Lara Kaczmarczyk</i>	<i>Volunteers (8)</i>
<i>Augusto Buchweitz</i>	<i>Joel Oh</i>	<i>Sophie Maung</i>	<i>Olivia Froehle</i>	<i>Teesha Godawat</i>	<i>Frankie Morton</i>	
<i>Ivan Shang</i>	<i>Mike Dressman</i>	<i>Dilwar Mekael</i>	<i>Amanda Lazowsky</i>	<i>Adelina Ahmed</i>	<i>Julia Lenois</i>	
<i>Chris Ma</i>	<i>Tara Buckman</i>	<i>Azeem Parvez</i>	<i>Aliza Sherman</i>	<i>Shriya Garg</i>	<i>Dilwar Mekael</i>	
<i>Claire Cowan</i>	<i>Ivan Zhang</i>	<i>Augusto Buchweitz</i>	<i>Genevieve Criscuolo</i>	<i>Shanaz Mekael</i>	<i>Maddison Durkin</i>	
<i>Catherine Kohncke</i>	<i>Lara Kaczmarczyk</i>	<i>Emma Mathew</i>	<i>Elizabeth Criscuolo</i>	<i>Avani Vijay</i>	<i>Giavanna Charbonneau</i>	
<i>Claire Prud'homme</i>	<i>Stephanie Pennington</i>	<i>Hana Mirza</i>	<i>Alisha Colagiovanni</i>	<i>Sylvia McGovern</i>	<i>YULEI PANG</i>	
<i>Toral Surti</i>	<i>Michaela Madonick</i>	<i>Tad Martin</i>	<i>Grace Meacham</i>	<i>Diana Mccarthy-Bercury</i>	<i>Lanna Moore</i>	
<i>Sawyer Wuerth Stricker</i>	<i>Emma Mathew</i>	<i>Helen Lin</i>	<i>Aimee Meacham</i>	<i>Tad Martin</i>	<i>Tetiana Lazebnyk</i>	
<i>Julia Nickle</i>	<i>Anna Arpaia</i>	<i>Evelyn Dranoff</i>	<i>Kierstin Wesolowski</i>	<i>Anaya Kaoroptham</i>	<i>Avani Vijay</i>	
<i>Zixi Zhuo</i>	<i>Nate Dranoff</i>	<i>Lara Kaczmarczyk</i>	<i>Tiffany Milton</i>	<i>Meagan Campol</i>	<i>Jordan Chen</i>	
<i>Karra Alicki</i>	<i>Joyce Zhang</i>	<i>Sophie Dionis</i>	<i>Breana Riskin</i>	<i>Sophie Maung</i>	<i>Matthew Grant</i>	
<i>Carley Bernfeld</i>	<i>Anaya Kaoroptham</i>	<i>Haze Khan</i>	<i>Ivan Zhang</i>	<i>Meher Quadri</i>	<i>Lucielle Gomes</i>	
	<i>Maddison Durkin</i>		<i>Rosemary Navarro</i>			