



Hawk Talk

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A Message from the President

I can't believe November is already here! Where did the Fall go? I know our family had a great time at Hawtoberfest - it was a crazy night of fun, great costumes, and (a bit of) noise. THANK YOU so much to Trina Estrada-Goode and her committee for a fun evening. Make sure to check out Trina's article for more details about the success of the evening.

The PTA is still busy at work. Our only catalogue fund raiser of the year, Yankee Candle, started on October 27 and will end on Monday November 14. The Book Fair is underway – stop by on Friday, Nov. 11 during lunch to purchase books.

Our next PTA meeting is November 15th at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend and hear more details about what we are doing for Hayfield this year. On Wednesday night, November 16 we would love to see you at our spirit fund raiser night at Fiona's Irish Pub in Kingstowne for dinner between 4-9.

Our next big event will be the Holiday Market on December 2nd. You will not want to miss this fun night of shopping for the kids. As always, you can keep up with all that is going on by visiting our website at www.hayfieldespta.org and following us on Facebook at Hayfield Elementary PTA.

I hope all our Hayfield families have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Barbara Elliff
 PTA President



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Children's Market

SAVE THE DATE!

Our 6th annual Hayfield PTA Children's Market will be Friday Dec. 2nd!
The kids can shop from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the school cafeteria while parents enjoy coffee and treats in the library.

See you then!

*Candice Goodman
and Jennifer Benecke
Holiday Market
Coordinator*

Spirit Night Fundraiser

Happy Fall! We will be having our Spirit Night Restaurant Fundraiser this month at Fiona's Irish Pub in Kingstowne (5810 Kingstowne Center, Alexandria, VA 22315) on Wednesday, November 16th from 4pm-9pm. 15% of the food items on the bill will go towards Hayfield PTA.

Please join us for a nice warm and hearty meal to help battle these cooler temperatures.

www.fionasirishpub.com

*Kristin Thompson
Spirit Night*

HAWKtoberfest Wrap Up

What a great evening it was! We've received such positive feedback regarding the changes made this year, and are so pleased everyone had such a great time. The Hippo Chow Down and Wrecking Ball were obvious favorites with the older kids. Participation and enthusiasm from the 6th Grade Class and their families made for a most spooktacular Wax Museum. The T-shirt workshop was, again, a big hit; we are so grateful to Ms. Laisch and Ms. Jarvis for their hard work in pulling it all together so successfully. Our parent volunteer face painters; Kathy, Emily, and Maria along with Maria's daughter Anetha made every little one's night with their magical creativity. Many thanks to Ms. Drickie, Ms. Ribble and all who donated baked goods to make for such a fantastic Cake Walk.

Many thanks to Ms. Lewis and Ms. Goldstein, our supportive teachers and school staff, our many parent volunteers and all who came out in support of our first fundraising social event of the year. Proceeds from HAWKtoberfest 2016 will help fund field trips, parent training, school assemblies, staff development, facilities and technology improvement, support SCA and Patrols, reflections, Soaring to Success program, and other student activities.

The event's success was due in whole to the hard work and generous support of our Hayfield Elementary School Community. You are appreciated, THANK YOU!

Your PTA Social Committee



Opening this Month... **The SOAR Store**

Our students have been working diligently at saving up their *SOAR* cards! They will have the opportunity soon to trade in their cards for small prizes like pencils, erasers, or water bottles. Some students opt to save their cards for special events instead, like lunch with their teacher. We are looking for volunteers to work at the *SOAR* store in the cafeteria on designated dates throughout the school year. Please click on the link below for more information.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0548ada92ba31-soar>

The cafeteria in general can always use a set of helping hands, particularly in the first two lunch hours. The link for the cafeteria is also below for interested volunteers. Thank you, your time is appreciated!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0548ada92ba31-cafeteria1>

Stephanie Schoennauer
Cafeteria Coordinator

Get2Green Initiative



Hello Hayfield Families! This month we are excited to announce the construction of our new garden beds in the interior courtyard. The garden beds will create new opportunities to take our curriculum outdoors in "hands-on" project based learning in the near future. A big THANK YOU to HES parent Ken Ward (daughter Sophia – 2nd & son Gabriel -5th). Ken, owner of Ward's Remodeling Inc., and carpenter Morgan Veil provided their time and muscle to construct our new beautiful beds. In addition, HES is thankful for the top grade cedar lumber that was generously DONATED from TW Perry in Springfield, VA.

GREEN TIP OF THE MONTH!

The fall is a fantastic time of year for planting new trees and seedlings (make sure to plant natives!). However, one of the biggest mistakes a homeowner can make is creating a mulch volcano around their new addition (deep & right up against the tree trunk – NO)! Use the rule of 3s when planting trees (it's super easy to remember)...

1. Dig wide not deep - dig a hole that is **3x the width** of the root ball (the depth should be not taller than the root ball).
2. Mulch **3 inches AWAY** from the root.
3. Mulch should be **3 inches** deep.



NO

YES

Monica Billger
Get2Green Chair