



Lion's Pride

January 2011

Message from the President

Thank you for all your support this past fall. I am looking forward to a wonderful 2011. There are many exciting events coming up in the next few months, so keep your eye out for updates from the PTA.

If you are interested in helping out with Shen All In (formerly Almost March Madness), please contact me at tesagopta@gmail.com.

Beth Silaika, President
Tesago PTA
Together Everyone Shares A Great Opportunity

Every Child. One Voice.

MOVIE NIGHT JANUARY 28TH

COMING SOON.....

There will be a Movie Night on Friday, January 28th. It will start at 6:30...more information to come.

DISCOVERY PROGRAM

Discovery After School Enrichment Program will soon be here again!! If anyone has any talents that they are interested in teaching, or know of someone else that has something to offer, please contact me by email.

The program will run through the month of March, with a February enrollment.

Thank you,
Whitney Decker
Discovery Chair.
kdtri@aol.com

PARP

PARP begins in January!

Join us for our annual PARP (Parents As Reading Partners) program – it's easy! Your challenge is to read every day as a family for at least 15 minutes. Read the newspaper, magazines, books of any kind...why not listen to an audio book together? PARP lasts from January through March; your challenge is to read every single day in that three month period. More information (including specifics about our special programs: K-2 Story Night, Battle of the Books and Family Library Night) will be available on our Online Bulletin Board and Library Media Center webpage in mid-December. Look for more updates to come through SIS messenger as well.

~Ms. Pierce

PS – K-2 Families, mark your calendars now: On Tuesday, January 4th from 6-7 pm, join us for our new event - Story Night! This special evening features stories, pjs, some of your favorite teachers and a *special guest!* This event is for students in Kindergarten through second grade only and will be held in the café. More details to follow!

Check out our website at <http://www.shenet.org/community/Tesagopta/TesagoHome.htm>

ARTS-IN-EDUCATION

January

1/4/2010 - **PARP Kick-Off** - Grades K-2 - 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Limited Number of Tesago Tunes CDs are still available! Send \$3 cash or check made out to Tesago PTA. Please address envelope to Margarita Zacher, PTA - A&E. Include your child's name and teacher's name with your order. A CD will be delivered to your child. Thanks for your purchase!

Margarita Zacher

Arts-In-Education Committee Chair

Attention All Parents of Rising Shenendehowa Kindergarteners for the 2011-2012 School Year

The Shenendehowa PTA Council Preschool Committee is hosting a Kindergarten Preparedness Panel to be held at the Tesago Cafeteria on Wednesday January 12, 2011 at 7:00 pm. The snow date is January 13, 2011. The panel is made up of staff members from the Shenendehowa CSD who will discuss topics related to preparing and transitioning your child to kindergarten. If you have any questions, please e-mail Kimberlie at preschoolpta@cliftonpark.org or for more information visit our website at www.cliftonpark.org/preschoolpta.

BOX TOPS NEWS

Keep sending them!!!!

Shop online and earn cash for our school!

We can earn **cash** for our school simply by purchasing through the Box Tops for Education website at www.btfe.com.

Here's how it works:

1. Sign up to support our school

Sign up at www.btfe.com

2. Shop online

Start each shopping trip at www.btfe.com/marketplace, click the link to the online store of your choice....and shop as you normally do. By starting at www.btfe.com, Box Tops can track earnings and automatically credit our school's account.

3. Our school earns cash

A percentage of every qualifying purchase is automatically donated back to our school!

Shop for everything!

Earn cash for our school *whenever* you shop through the Box Tops MarketplaceSM! Shop over 70 favorite stores such as JCPenney, Target, Gap, Old Navy, Pottery Barn, Wal-Mart, and many more!

Ask me for help or more information!

Margaret Matocha, Box Tops Coordinator
mgtmatocha@nycap.rr.com

TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS

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The Tools For Schools program is almost over for the year – we have surpassed our goal for registering shoppers...now lets beat last years total points which was over 102,000!

To earn "points", your Price Chopper Advantage card must be enrolled with Tesago. If you signed up with Tesago last year, you do not need to re-register. To register your card or SWITCH your school (i.e. from your former elementary school to Tesago), visit www.pricechopper.com and enroll online. The code for Tesago is 15764.

If you need assistance or do not have internet access, please call Kerri Arserio at 248-2663 or send an email to apamba@nycap.rr.com. Thanks for supporting the students at Tesago! Happy New Year!!

Kerri Arserio, Coordinator

CAMPBELL'S LABELS FOR EDUCATION



Labels for Education continues to need the support from Tesago parents. The UPC codes from all Campbell products (all soups, Supper Bakes), ALL Pepperidge Farm products (crackers, cookies, breads), Swanson broth products and V8 soups and the V8 Splash caps, are redeemed for points that goes towards FREE school equipment. Please take the time to send them in with your child!!

Don't forget about the Campbell's Star Class of the Month!! If you send in these UPC codes and caps in a ziplock bag with your child's teacher's name and the amount on it, your child's class is eligible to be in the contest to win the Campbell's Star Award! They get to display this award in their classroom for the entire month!!

Please help our school earn FREE school supplies!! All you need to do is send in the UPC codes and the V8 Caps to school..It's That Simple! :-)

Thank You,
Vidia Wray, Labels for Education Program
kaybop27@gmail.com

HELP NEEDED

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS...

The Spring Carnival is coming up, and we are starting to make plans for a very fun, eventful day. In order to do this, we need volunteers to help out with games, crafts and the concession stand. Please contact the following people if you are at all interested!! It is sure to be a FUN night!!!

Pam Karathomas: Pkaratho@nycap.rr.com

Steven Hicks - stevenhicks23@gmail.com

Jenny Pfaffenbach - PfafJenn@SHENET.ORG

Thank You!!

5th GRADE PARENTS

Dear Parents of 5th Graders,

It is hard to believe that we are already planning the 5th Grade "Moving Up" ceremony but yes it is true...our babies will be heading to middle school soon.

In an effort to make this a very special event for all of the children it is essential that we get your support. We are asking that each parent/guardian supply the following for the video/slideshow keepsake that we are preparing:

- 10 digital pictures (**jpeg format**) of your child from their school days. Please refrain from using the 'school photo' if possible as we would like to show some 'action'. (Fieldtrip, Monster Mash, Halloween Party, Best Assembly)
- Please supply the pictures on cd rom, dvd, or a flash drive. Any items supplied with your name will be returned. (We may/may not use all 10 pictures)
- If you do not have digital files you can have pictures scanned at Walmart and put on a disk for submission.
- Submit pictures by **12/23/10**.

You can have your child give the disk to Emily Albanese in Mrs. Scavone's class, clearly marked with your name and phone number. If you are not comfortable with sending the information in this way, you can contact Maria Albanese at 421-3867 or malbane1@nycap.rr.com to make other arrangements. You can also contact Maria directly if you have any questions on pictures or format. Please **DO NOT** email the pictures.

Thank you for your attention to this, as our goal is to make sure each child is equally represented.

Sincerely,

Meridith Haskins
Stephanie Dobo
Maria Albanese

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