

PTA Paw Prints

London Towne
Elementary PTA
Newsletter

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A Time for Thanks!

The PTA is incredibly lucky to have so many of you volunteer your valuable time to make London Towne an enjoyable learning environment and fun place for the children to be. Without you, so many important programs would be impossible; without you, the school would lack personality. YOU make the difference and WE thank you!

As 2009 draws to a close, we would like to recognize some specific committees that have made a positive impact in just the few short months since school began:

- € The Beautification Committee
- € The Green Team Helpers

- € The Share & Swap Organizers
- € The Silent Auction Organizers and Donors
- € The Bingo Organizers
- € The Spirit Night Organizers and Volunteers
- € CPMSAC
- € Principal Ryberg
- € Girl Scouts for providing child care
- € Book Fair Organizers and Volunteers
- € ALL London Towne Parents
- € All London Towne Teachers

Your commitment and service is invaluable. Thank you again for lending us your time!!!



PTA Calendar:

NO Gems meeting this month

Chess Club: Mondays, cafeteria (not meeting 12/21/09)

Lego League: Wednesday 12/09/09, cafeteria

PTA Meeting: 1/19/10, 7 PM; Kathy Smith, School Board Rep, will be presenting



Help Your Neighbor

The London Towne staff and PTA are sponsoring a gift card drive to help needy families in our school community. Donations in any dollar amount from the following stores are greatly appreciated: ***Giant, Safeway, Shoppers, Walmart, Target.*** Please give card donations to your child's teacher or drop them off in the main office. All donations will be used to support London Towne families.

Thank you for lending a holiday hand!



Thank You Centreville Fire Department 38 for meeting with our First Graders on a cold, rainy day!



Box Tops Contest

REMINDER: Our Box Tops Contest is drawing to a close and your child's class needs your help! The class that collects the most Box Tops 4 Education by December 22nd will win a party at *Pump It Up* in Manassas! Visit www.boxtops4education.com for a list of eligible products. And HURRY! Time is running out!

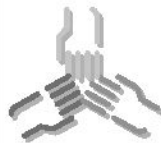
Tuesday Folders Go Green

In our continuing efforts to be a greener school, we would like to help London Towne in its efforts to cut down on the amount of paperwork coming home each week in the Tuesday Folders. For the first step, any papers coming home from the PTA should come home with your youngest, or only, child in the school. Since this is a new program, there are bound to be mistakes so please help us by contacting your child's teacher if you receive multiple copies of the same flyer.

Also, if you are interest in receiving e-copies in the future and/or helping to organize sending e-copies, please contact volunteercoordinator@londontownepta.com with your child's name and teacher.

REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH CARD BALANCE! TWO WAYS TO PAY:

- 1) Pay by cash or check in the school cafeteria or send in an envelope with your child's name marked "Lunch money."
- 2) www.mylunchmoney.com.



We Need Pictures!!

We are gearing up for the next edition of the London Towne Yearbook. This will be our 40th Anniversary edition and we are hoping to include more candid photos of the children. If you have school-related photos you would like to share, or if perhaps you were a student here and have some pictures from then, please share them!! E-mail your files to: Itesyyearbook@yahoo.com. We can't wait to see what you have!

FUNDRAISING FROM HOME!

It's not too late to register your **Giant Shopping Card** for the **A+ Bonus Bucks** program! You must re-designate London Towne Elementary each year for our school to earn points. Log on to www.giantfood/aplus and use school ID 01855.

Did you KNOW? At **Ace Hardware** on Westfields Blvd. You can Shop for the Students. It's as easy as 1-2-3...

1. Whenever you shop at Sully Station Ace Hardware, ask for a duplicate receipt.
2. Before you leave the store, drop the receipt into your school's receipt container
3. Every month, we'll tally the receipts and send your organization a check for 1% of the total sales shown on the receipts. www.PitkinsAceHardware.com

Shop at **Target**? Don't forget to designate London Towne Elementary when you use your **Target Credit** or Debit Card. Just visit www.target.com/tcoe to designate our school. School ID 103669. Use your Target card and earn money for London Towne!

How can you help London Towne? Shop at over 1,000 of your favorite online merchants and earn up to 16% for our school.

1. **Enroll** with www.escrip.com
2. **Click** on the **Online Mall** logo at www.escrip.com
3. **Shop** at your favorite brand name stores and automatically earn money for London Towne!

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