



Hiteon Hawk Squawk!

Hiteon Elementary School PTC Newsletter

April 2014

President's Message

Welcome back from Spring Break. We hope you are refreshed, and ready to gear up for all of our spring activities.

Fun Run has kicked off, and our students are excited to gather pledges and donations. This is our major fundraiser so all the support we receive from the Hiteon community is greatly appreciated. The "**Race of Wonders**" is April 17th and 18th, volunteer shifts are available on HelpCounter.

It is sign up time for next year! The board and committee chair positions are posted in the main hallway. We value the time and creativity that our school volunteers contribute to Hiteon. The saying "Many Hands make Light Work" is so true. Contact current members or committee chairs if you have any questions.

We are blessed with a fabulous staff at Hiteon, and look forward to showing it during *Staff Appreciation Week May 5-9*. Committee Chairs Cathy Wasnick and Katie Thomas have a great plan for the week – look forward to details from them, as well as your classroom party parents.

The Beaverton School District Calendar for next year has been finalized. There is a link to it on the hiteonptc.org website. The Beaverton School Board authorized the District to place a \$680 million School Bond on the May 20, 2014 ballot. More information regarding the bond is available on the district website.

Cathy Manor and Stacie Ayers
Co-PTC Presidents

Box Tops / Labels for Education

Remember to turn in your Box Tops!

Final contest for the year ends

May 16th!



Reading Incentive

"Go For The Gold" is in full force at Hiteon! Each month hours are tallied helping your student earn prizes and recognition for reading.

ANYTHING your child reads counts! If they read the cereal box at breakfast, the street signs on the way to school, books before bed, books for class.....the possibilities are endless!

Simply get a tally sheet from your child's teacher or download one from the PTC website at www.hiteonptc.org under forms, record the hours read and put the completed sheets in the basket in your child's classroom.



The Race of Wonders Has Begun!

The Kick-Off Assembly for the Annual Hiteon Fun Run was Wednesday, April 2nd. The kids are all excited for our theme this year – *Race of Wonders!* Ask your child which Wonder their class is representing. You can go online to our website, www.hiteonptc.org, and watch a slideshow that highlights prize information and shows you the wonders each class selected. By now your child should have brought home their Fun Run packet with important information about the amazing programs the Fun Run money supports and prize eligibility. Please encourage your child to get pledges, as this is our major school fundraiser of the year. **The dates for this year's Fun Run are April 17th & April 18th.** Packets **MUST** be returned before the run so laps can be recorded, which means there's only a short amount of time left to get those pledges!!! The packets will be returned to the students after the run to collect the money raised. **May 2nd is the DEADLINE to turn money and packets back in** to be eligible for prizes. We have some Wonderful and fun prizes this year, so let's make this our best Fun Run yet!



Thank you for your support of Hiteon!!

Staff Appreciation Week is Coming Soon: May 5th -9th!

The PTC Staff Appreciation Committee is planning a garden-themed week of fun as a special thank you to Hiteon's incredible staff! We will be hosting a week-long celebration in the staff lounge. Each day will have different treats for all staff members to enjoy.

Monday, May 5th: Breakfast Baked Goods, Coffee & Tea
Tuesday, May 6th: Popcorn, Candy & Drinks
Wednesday, May 7th: Staff Luncheon—Baked Potato Bar
Thursday, May 8th: Fruit, Veggies, Dips & Snacks
Friday, May 9th: Dessert Buffet



We would love your help in providing treats and supplies for this important event. We will be asking for donations of treats, baked goods (homemade or store-bought), raffle items and supplies on designated days. Anything you are able to donate is welcome and appreciated! We will also need volunteers who are available to help arrange flowers in vases on Tuesday morning and help with the luncheon on Wednesday. *Please be on the look-out for sign-up opportunities through Help Counter very soon.*

In addition, there will be two designated appreciation days that will be celebrated school-wide. Please try to remember all the wonderful staff members (classroom teachers, resource, specialists, aids, office staff, kitchen staff, etc.) who enrich our children's lives each day.

On Tuesday, May 6th, all students will be invited to bring in flowers for staff members.
On Thursday, May 8th, all students will be invited to bring in letters and cards.

Room Parents are responsible for facilitating activities specific to each classroom teacher (i.e. class gift, art project, etc.). There is a binder in the PTC room entitled, "My Favorite Things." This binder has a sheet on each staff member with a list of his or her favorites (color, treats, drinks, stores for shopping, etc.). This is a very useful resource to help you get ideas for how to make your teacher feel extra special.

Thank you,
Katie Thomas: katie@thomasfamilyfive.com
Cathy Wasnick: wasnickfamily@gmail.com



Clothes Closet Day!!

The Beaverton Schools Clothes Closet is a volunteer service that provides clothing for kids K-12 in need, enrolled in a Beaverton School. Last year alone, 2,058 students from our schools were supplied clothes through this program. You may be asking how you can help with this wonderful program??

Hiteon, along with every other Beaverton school, is in charge of finding volunteers for one day. Our day is May 28th!! You will be in the Distribution Center helping students and their families pick out needed items. You can volunteer for an hour or the whole day, I will take any time you can give. Please sign up on Help Counter or send me an email to let me know how you can help!!

Melynda Stitt
stittfam5@hotmail.com

SchoolKidz School Supply kit

If you purchased a pre-packaged SchoolKidz School Supply kit this year, there are some items that are guaranteed not to break or they will be replaced. If your student lets you know that their scissors or ruler or even calculator has broken or stopped working, please send me an email with the following and SchoolKidz will replace that item for free! If you are not sure if the item is covered, send me the email and I will check for you and let you know. Teachers can notify me as well!

Please email the following to Lori Squire (ljsquire@comcast.net): student name, grade and description of the item that is no longer functioning.



Race On Over to HelpCounter Now!

Your help is needed to make this year's **FUN RUN** on **April 17th and 18th** a successful and **WONDERFUL** event!

The Fun Run is Hiteon's biggest fund raiser and we can't do it without our fabulous volunteers. There are three different activities to sign up for:

- Lap Counter - Help count the laps the students run.**
- Stretching - Help the kids stretch after running.**
- Water/Treat Station - Pass out water & Otter Pops after running.**

Visit HelpCounter by clicking on this link for Day One:
[Click here to sign up for shifts in the Fun Run Day 1 \(4/17\)](#)

To get to Day Two, April 18th, just click the return button at the top of the HelpCounter page. If you need help email volcoord@hiteonptc.org and we will get you signed up!



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BSD CLOTHES CLOSET IN NEED

The BSD Clothes Closet is in need of several high demand items.

- Pants for elementary aged students from sizes 4T and up
- Sports shorts of all sizes for both boys and girls
- Sweat pants and stretch pants for middle and high school students
- Departments store shopping bags with handles are also always needed

The Clothes Closet operating budget is supported solely by donations from parent groups and community members. 100% of the funds donated to the Clothes Closet are invested back into the program for the purchase of high need and high demand items. At this point, our funds are dangerously low. If you have not donated yet this school year, please consider sending a donation to Volunteer Services at the District Office.

As of 4/2/14, the Clothes Closet has served 1,617 students and has distributed more than 21,000 items of clothing to Beaverton students.

POPCORN FRIDAYS

Only two Popcorn Fridays left, so mark your calendars!



- Apr 24 - Thursday (No school Friday)
- May 16 - Fri



Contact Melynda Stitt at stittfam5@hotmail.com if you are interested in selling popcorn after school!

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Our *Race of Wonders* fundraising goal this year is

\$41,000

This is the major fundraiser we do for our school. The money we raise pays for programs & activities provided by the PTC for our nearly 700 students, to support our children's education and help build our Hiteon community.



Art Literacy
Room Parties
Bingo Night
Science Fair
Reading Incentive
Staff Accounts

Passport
PTC Grants
Family Dance
New Technology
Assemblies

...and much, much more!

**Show your support - Encourage your Children
To Participate - Get Those Pledges!!**





Treasurer's Update

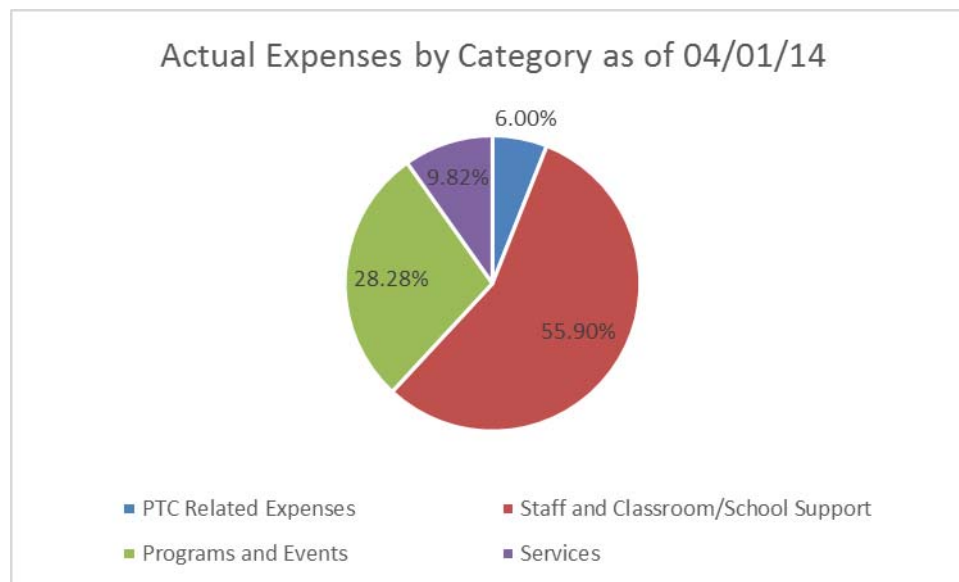
As we head in to the last few months of school I want to provide an update on the 2013-2014 Hiteon PTC budget. As of April 1st, we have spent approximately 54% of our total budgeted expenses for the year. As seen in the chart below, the majority of money is spent on Staff and Classroom/School Support, followed by Programs and Events, Services, and PTC Related Expenses.

The Staff and Classroom/School Support category covers line items including the PTC Grant fund, Room Party funds, Special Purchases, Staff accounts, Technology and Library Support. As a portion of this overall support we have been able to purchase:

- 22 iPads
- 4 iMacs
- 18 Apple TVs
- Sound System for the Gym
- PYP Books and Materials for multiple classrooms

The Programs and Events category cover the costs for our community events like the Family Dance, BINGO, Donuts with Dudes, Science Fair and Art Night. It also provides the funds to support educational programs the students enjoy such as Art Literacy, Oregon Battle of the Books and Passport, as well as providing funds for assemblies.

The Services category provides funds for items like recess equipment replenishment, field trip scholarship money, hospitality, directory printing, clothes closet and staff appreciation throughout the year! Last, the PTC related Expenses category provides funds to cover the costs of running the PTC. As a 501 (c) 3, we incur costs related to handling our banking account, carrying insurance, tax filing, as well as supplies and the cost for the website which helps us keep the Hiteon community informed.



As we look towards our major fundraiser, the Fun Run, please remember that your financial support helps make all this possible. The money raised now helps us support the education of our Hiteon Students in many ways. If you want to learn more about the Hiteon PTC budget, please consider joining one of our PTC meetings, or email me directly at treasurer@hiteonptc.org

Erica Ediger



Dare to be Creative!

Save the date for the Hiteon **ART** Night, Thursday May 22nd. Art Night will be a chance to view your student's artwork and participate in fun art activities, including a school community art project.



There will be a session open after school from 2:45 to 4:15 and another evening session from 5:30 to 7:00.

We hope to see you there!

LOST & FOUND

Have you been wondering where that new Columbia jacket your son received for Christmas went? What about your daughter's lovely hand-knitted scarf? It's possible that these items are waiting for you in the Hiteon Lost and Found, which is now located in the **West Hall 4th/5th grade wing of the school, just outside of the Head Start classroom.**

Hiteon has a thirty day Lost and Found policy. The Lost and Found is currently overflowing with unclaimed items that have been forgotten and left behind. Unclaimed items will be sent to the BSD Clothes Closet for district families in need. Please take a moment to stop by and claim any items that your student(s) may be looking for.

Help Hiteon Earn Money When You Shop!

A new opportunity to earn \$\$\$!! Specify Hiteon Parent Teachers Club as your selected organization with Amazon, and they will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases directly to HiteonPTC!

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. You Shop. Amazon gives! Go to our website hiteonptc.org for a direct link to easily register. Thank you for your support.

