

Lil' Warrior Beat

The President's Pen

Happy New Year Williams Family,

I hope you all had a restful Winter break and made some great memories with family and friends. The PTA has some great events planned for the coming months, including Family FreeFall Night, Teacher Appreciation Week, Career Day, Wacky Wednesday, Scholastic Book Fair and Art Show, Science Fair, Talent Show, and so more! Stay tuned for information on all of these events as they get closer.

A huge thank you to the William's phenomenal staff, teachers, and assistants who support our children every single day. It truly takes a village, and we are deeply grateful to all of you. I am so thankful for our amazing PTA chairs and volunteers for the time and incredible work they devote to bringing fun and educational programs and events to the kids. Thank you especially to our event coordinators and volunteers for December. There were so many fun events and activities and it wouldn't have been a success without ALL of you.

I've received some feedback and requests from so many of you. It makes being part of the PTA so exciting when I see and feel how involved everyone wants to be part of our community. With that being said, there will be 2 new committees created. One for the Father Daughter Dance and one for the Mother Son Activity Day. Look for emails to be coming out soon for chairs and volunteers. We are looking to have the dance in April and activity day in May. These will be outside of school hours and clearances will not be required.

Come be a part of your PTA and find out what else we are planning to do in the Spring. Not sure about this and just want to come listen? That's fine, we would love to see some new faces. The next General PTA meeting will be on Tuesday, March 13th 6:30 pm in the cafeteria. Childcare will be provided.

As always feel free to contact me at ptaddypta@gmail.com with any questions or comments

Paula Tadayesky

PTA President



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From the Principal's Desk

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! We are off to a great start this year; the students have returned ready to get to work and improve. Let's hope the weather will cooperate and allow us to continue to stay focused.

Many of you are aware that the Pennsylvania State Assessment for 3rd and 4th grade students is coming up in April. We will begin with the English language arts assessment on April 10th. The Mathematics assessment will begin on April 17th and the 4th grade Science assessment will begin on April 24th. Students and staff have been working very hard, and as always, I will continue to challenge our students to perform and achieve at the highest level possible.

Our students have had great experiences in school and additional opportunities offered by our PTA. The after-school enrichment programs have offered outstanding activities which many students have enjoyed. I want to thank the PTA for organizing these wonderful classes. It takes a lot of work and preparation. Our PTA has done an outstanding job, not just with enrichment, but in all the areas of our school. This would include our book fairs, Winter Carnival, Heritage Day, providing funding for our field trips and many more. Thank You!

I want to continue to encourage all parents to keep in contact with your child's teacher. Parent teacher contact is essential for students to be successful. We have high standards here at Williams Township Elementary School. We need the help and support of all parents to ensure our students achieve to their highest level. Please always ask your child about his or her day and the learning that took place. All kinds of interesting activities take place every day and I am sure your child would love to share these experiences.

Thank you again for all the support you give your children and the staff here at Williams. Together let's continue to make our school "up on the hill" a success. I look forward to continuing to work with all of the students, staff, and families of Williams Township Elementary School!

Warmest Regards,
Kevin Steidle
Principal



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SCHOOL CLOSED

FEBRUARY 19TH



SCIENCE FAIR

MARCH 27TH



Next PTA General Meeting

March 13th 6:30p in the
School Cafeteria



SHOUT OUT

Reflections Program: Winners were chosen for this year's Reflections Art Contest.

Grades 1-2 are Caralyn Walters, Prahlad Abbireddy, and Quinn Cason.

Grades 3-4 are Emily Drake, Psalma Campomones, Tosin Adebayo/Violet Hall (tie).

The artwork has been forwarded to the next level for judging. All artwork will be displayed at the Art Show.



COMMITTEE UPDATES

VOLUNTEERING

Don't forget that all volunteers (in school) are required to have their clearances approved and on file in our school office prior to your volunteer date. Plan ahead since some of the clearances cannot be done online and need processing time. See our "Security Clearance" tab on the PTA website for more information. Reminder - If you are volunteering for an event you **MUST** register online and report to Mrs. Petty in the office to sign in.



LUNCH DUTY

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ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

We are getting all ready for the Spring sessions. Some new programs as well as some of the kids' favorites. We are always looking for volunteers with approved clearances to help with our afterschool program.



HERITAGE DAY

Tuesday, January 9th, our PTA collaborated with Mrs. Fisher and Ms. Strickler to make Heritage Day a success! Despite the snow days and delays, together we were delighted to have 7 guests visit our school. Four countries/cultures were presented to the students: Pennsylvania Dutch culture, China, the Dominican Republic, and Tunisia. In addition, we had parents, grandparents, and an International Student from Lafayette College attend the event. We are sure our students learned a lot from these creative volunteers. Thank you to Mr. Steidle, the teachers and staff of Williams Township Elementary for a great program!

YEARBOOK COMMITTEE

Order forms will be coming out soon. Reminder to the 4th grade parents to email your students baby pictures to Lori Miller at parkplace035@rcn.com

Deadline for baby pictures is 1/31

If you have any questions or have a great shot that you would like to submit send it to Lori.



FAMILY NIGHT OUT

After all of the crazy cold weather we have been having we are ready to JUMP into Spring. Come out and join us at FreeFall in Bethlehem on January 31st from 6p-9p. Remember to bring your flyer and mention that you are there for Williams PTA. February, we will be hitting Dubbs on 5th.

VALENTINES PENCIL GRAMS

Can you smell the love? \$ 2 ea or 3 for \$5 A Smencil (scented pencil) delivered to your Valentine on February 14th with a Valentine Smell-o-Gram.

Start placing your orders when the flyer and smell-o-grams form comes home NEXT WEEK. Sale will run until 2/5/18

COMMITTEE UPDATES

TREASURER'S REPORT

If you need to be reimbursed or need a payment sent out, please submit all expense receipts / requests along with the completed reimbursement form (available on the PTA website) to school in care of Connor Kressman, Mrs. Silfies 4th grade class, Attn: Kim Kressman

Any questions please email Kim Kressman at kimk@rcn.com

GERTUDE HAWK CANDY

Our Gertrude Hawk Candy sale will be kicking off 2/5 and run thru 2/16. Candy will be delivered to the school the week of 3/5. Any questions, email Kim Kressman at kimk@rcn.com



AMAZON SMILE

When you shop online with AmazonSmile, a percentage of your eligible purchases will be donated to Williams Township PTA. This runs all year long and really adds up. Anyone can register for our school.

Visit AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) and select; Williams Township Elem School PTA.

BOX TOPS

So far, this year with all of your clipping we have close to \$500 in Box Tops!!

Keep clipping and saving to see who will be the next classroom to win the \$100 Scholastic Dollars



SCRIP PROGRAM

Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that enables the PTA to raise money. **Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards.** You purchase gift cards at face value and the PTA orders those cards. The difference is a rebate to the PTA. It's really that simple! Great Lakes Scrip Center carries over 300 of the country's biggest brands, including grocery, department stores, gas stations, restaurants, and more. You can also order by going to www.shopwithscrips.com and use our school id **9BF8A76712869**

Contact Stephanie Koufalis at stephaniekoufalis@gmail.com or 610-392-6756

GIANT A+ REWARDS PROGRAM

We have \$566.87 CASH REWARDS for this year. 94 designations. We really need more parents and family members to sign up for us to hit our goal for this year. Anyone can register and participate for our school.

Here is how you register:

Williams Township Elementary School – ID# 23417 has the opportunity to participate in and earn **CASH** from A+ School Rewards, a great fundraising program run through your local Giant!

It's easy to participate, visit www.giantfoodstores.com and select **Savings & Rewards**. Follow the prompts to create your online account. You'll need your 11-digit BONUSCARD® number and the **School ID # 23417** OR IF YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR BONUSCARD® NUMBER CALL 1-888-814-4268 OPTION #1.



LOCAL EVENT ADVERTISING



Please join us for a Sockdollager;

An event of great importance!

Attagirl;
2nd Annual Fundraiser to Benefit
St. Luke's Breast Cancer Care Services
Date: Saturday, April 7, 2018 Time: 7 pm
Location: The View at Morgan Hill
[100 Clubhouse Drive, Easton, PA 18042](https://www.google.com/maps/place/100+Clubhouse+Drive,+Easton,+PA+18042)

A Bee's Knees Cocktail Party
\$50.00 per person
Hors d'oeuvres, Chance Auction, 50/50 raffle, Best-dressed Contest, Tastings, and DJ.

It would be swell if you looked

spiffy; roaring 20s inspired attire welcomed!

RSVP preferably by March 7, 2018 to ensure your reservation

Please make check out to St. Luke's University

Health Network and mail to SLUH Development Office

[801 Ostrum Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015](https://www.google.com/maps/place/801+Ostrum+Street,+Bethlehem,+PA+18015) or visit www.sluhn.org/attagirl

**For more information on sponsorship opportunities or to donate gift certificates,
baskets, and/or items for the chance auction,**

Contact Darlene Dailey/Breast Cancer Survivor!

610-462-9515

Dardailey69@gmail.com

FAMILY FUN PAGE

F M B W K L A P I C N I R P T
R K H O Q V B L P A R E N T S
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WARRIORS
ELEMENTARY
STUDENTS
SCHOOL
SPIRIT
TEAMWORK
TEACHERS
PARENTS
FAMILY
PRINCIPAL
WILLIAMS
CLASS
FRIENDS

Little Warrior Jokes

Where do polar bears vote?
The North Pole

Which is faster – heat or cold?

Heat, because you can catch a cold

Why was the math book always worried?

Because it had so many problems

Which school supply is king of the classroom?

A ruler