

# Merriam PTO N2K (Need to Know)

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This newsletter is brought to you by the Communications Team and is meant to give you the latest and greatest news and information from around the organization.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 10/29 Tuesday – Early Dismissal
- 11/5 Tuesday – Professional Day (No School)
- 11/5 Tuesday – Teacher Appreciation Lunch
- 11/11 Monday – No School (Veteran’s Day)
- 11/12 Tuesday – School Council Meeting
- 11/13 Wednesday – Early Dismissal
- 11/27 Wednesday – Early Dismissal
- 11/27 Wednesday – Scrip Order Slips Go Home
- 11/28 Thursday – No School (Thanksgiving Recess)
- 11/29 Friday – No School (Thanksgiving Recess)

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are in need of the following volunteers:

**Lost and Found Committee Volunteers** – Volunteers needed for a **very flexible volunteering opportunity**. Only requires your help a couple of times throughout the school year. Help missing items find their owners and help us donate abandoned items to local charities. Please contact Catherine Centrella at [catcentrella@gmail.com](mailto:catcentrella@gmail.com) if interested.

**PTO Basketball Volunteers** – We are looking for volunteers to play for our Staff vs PTO Basketball game. If you'd like to be part of the PTO team, contact Tina Hamilton at [tinahamilton\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:tinahamilton_2000@yahoo.com).

## HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Are you new to Merriam? Do you love to cook or bake? The Merriam Hospitality Committee would appreciate your help. Our first event of the year is coming up on Tuesday Nov 5th. We will host the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. This is a professional day for our wonderful teachers and it is our way of thanking them for all they do for our kids. If you are able and willing to help out with making a dish or helping with set up or clean up, please email us at [merriamptohospitality@yahoo.com](mailto:merriamptohospitality@yahoo.com). If you are already a member we will be sending an email shortly about this event. Thank you. Ali Stanton and Claire McCarthy.

## SAVE THE DATE: STAFF VS PTO BASKETBALL GAME

Get ready for some basketball fun! Cheer for your favorite team, show your Merriam community spirit, and, back by popular demand, watch the halftime whipped cream pie-in-the-face extravaganza! Mark your calendars for the annual Staff Vs. PTO Basketball Game which is scheduled for **Thursday, December 5th at 5:30 PM**. All proceeds go to supporting our wonderful classroom assistants.

Watch your Friday mail folders in November for more information and to purchase tickets. Volunteers are needed to help set-up, sell concessions & pizza, and staff the ticket table. Please contact Carrie Mathews at [carrie275@aol.com](mailto:carrie275@aol.com) or 978-635-3989 if you can help.

## SCIENCE FAMILY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 15

Please join for a Family Science Night (K-8) at ABHS Cafeteria on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 6.30 to 8.30 pm hosted by ABHRS Science and Environthon Teams. Come and learn more about Massachusetts wildlife, plants, engineer a glider plane and much more. Please look at the flyer attached for more details.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

**School Committee Meetings** - To view SC meetings, please go to the following link. Also, for live streaming, go to Acton TV and find the live streaming:

<http://actontv.org/on-demand/government>

Schedule of SC Meetings:

<http://ab.mec.edu/about/aboutpdf/2013-2014SCcalendar.pdf>

An evening with Dr Zhao:

<http://actontv.org/on-demand/post-video/an-evening-with-dr-zhaomp4-1376080206>