

ROBESON ROCKET

November 2016



PTA NEWS

PTA Meeting November 15, 6 pm

Please join us at the next PTA meeting. We will discuss ST Math and have a Q & A for Kindergarten parents. This is a great opportunity to ask questions and hear more about what is going on at Robeson. You do not need to be a member of the PTA to attend meetings; all are welcome! Free pizza and babysitting!

Book Fair - Thank You!

Thank you to all the Volunteers for helping with the Scholastic Book Fair, and to all the families and friends for their support in purchasing books from the Fair.

SCHOOL NEWS

Drama Club

"Conjunction Junction"..."Interjections!"..."I'm Just a Bill"... Do these catchy tunes sound familiar? That's right, *School House Rock* has come to Robeson. Thank you Mrs. Stine for all your work getting Robeson's first Drama Club started. The kids will be working hard the rest of the school year for a May performance of the beloved classic *School House Rock*.

Winter Concerts Thursday, December 8

1st Grade at 6:00 pm

2nd Grade at 6:30 pm

3rd Grade with 5th Grade Strings at 7:00 pm

Robeson Reading Challenge

Don't forget to use your reading log that was sent home to record your family's reading. Our goal is 500,000 pages by Read Across America Day on March 3, 2017. Everyone in your family can count their pages each week. Drop off your reading log at the library when you fill it up, and then grab a new one.

Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser Success!

Congratulations to all the students (*and parents* 😊) that sold \$30,000+ of cookie dough to help support our school!

Keep a look out for information coming home on Cookie Delivery Day, and the much anticipated limo ride!

Help for the Art Room

We could really use your help in some simple, but extraordinary ways. Below are a few Art Room needs. If items are collecting dust and you would like to repurpose these materials, look no further!

- foil
- foam/paper plates
- cardboard inserts from shoes boxes, etc.
- yarn or string
- highlighters and pens.

Thank you in advance for any recycled materials you can save and donate for student's cross-curricular art enrichment!

Also, it's an Art Room goal to display all major student artwork this year. If you are available or interested in helping hang artwork, please contact Ms. Kirby for more details.

'Spread the Love" Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive

Robeson Elementary, in partnership with the Eastern Illinois Area Food Banks' Day of Giving Campaign, is helping to "Spread the Love" in our community. The Foodbank is the primary food source for food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, and other emergency feeding programs. Please place peanut butter and jelly donations in the container in the main hall.

PBIS Incentive

Last month's PBIS incentive was "rockin." Now our kids are working towards a camping/outdoor PBIS incentive, with a S'mores reward at their PBIS assembly on December 5th.

C-U Community Fab Lab!

Have you heard about the Fab Lab?

"The Champaign-Urbana Community Fab Lab is an open and collaborative workshop space for computer-driven innovation, design and fabrication. We enable makers of all kinds to imagine, design and create using open source software and DIY equipment. We do this by working with a local and international network to actively cultivate public engagement through community-focused art-entrepreneurship, research and education."

Best of all - the Fab Lab is free and open to anyone in the community. There may be a \$1-\$5 materials fee depending on your project. Find out more at <http://cucfablab.org>.

Advocacy Day November 15

"November 15, 2016 is Parents Day as part of American Education Week. It is also Illinois PTA Advocacy Day in Springfield, an opportunity for PTA members from across Illinois to speak up for children."

While you may not feel like you can be a PTA advocate, you likely already have been one. If you have spoken to your child's teacher or your building's principal about an issue, you have been an advocate. Illinois PTA has prepared to make Advocacy Day in Springfield as simple as possible, even if you have never spoken to a legislator before."

Find out more at: <http://www.illinoispta.org/advocacyday.html>

UPCOMING DATES

- Nov 8 – Election Day, Please Vote!
- Nov 11, Fri – No School
- Nov 15, Tue 6-7 pm – PTA meeting
- Nov 23-25, Wed-Fri – No School
- Nov 29, Tue – Picture retake day
- Dec 20-21, Thur-Fri – Early Dismissal
- Dec 22-Jan 4 – Winter Break, No School