



# PAC Press

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## HAPPY SPRING!

As we enjoy a chilly introduction to spring, Old Post Road School's Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) has been busy planning fun and educational events to support the students, families, and staff at OPR.

Please check out the PAC website for ongoing updates and photos at

[www.oprpac.org](http://www.oprpac.org)

## Math & Science Nights

Events were held for the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade students, one night per grade. Families were invited to come and enjoy fun math games and activities for an evening with their OPR student.



Grade 4: Thank you to Francine Aspinwall, Chris Weylman, & Elisa Blando for coordinating!



Grade 2: Thank you to Amanda Capozzi & Aruna Mandulapalli for coordinating!



Grade 3: Thank you to Amita Joshi for coordinating!

## Sunshine Hospitality

Sunshine Hospitality is a monthly effort coordinated by Cindy Hughes along with parents of each grade to provide baked goods with morning coffee for the teachers. In March, the Second Grade parents helped with the baking!

*Thank you!*

## Cultural Arts

Thank you to Fran Kelly, Kerry Pitman, and Molly Ducker of the Cultural Arts Committee for arranging so many of the assemblies the students enjoy throughout the year!



In February, there was a performance and song writing workshop for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders by Alastair Mook, a Parents' Gold Award Winner & 2014 Grammy Nominee for Best Children's Album!



A mother goose storyteller came into the kindergarten classes this year!

Kindergarteners are quoted as saying:

*She was awesome! • I liked all the fun activities and the story, "The White Dove." • Awesome! • I loved the Nursery Rhymes! • Mother Goose told us about the real London Bridge falling down. I liked the part when she tickled us with a feather, and then we said, "plop" and fell down just like the bridge! • I liked looking at the old pictures of London. She showed us where the Great Fire of London began. The fire went across the bridge and down the other side.*



## Irish Step Dance

And to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, the Harney Academy was invited to perform for OPR students.

OPR Students enjoyed the performance!

*I liked everything. • I liked when they danced, and I know how to Irish Step Dance. • Awesome! Super! • I liked when the big girls held their hands up as they danced. • I liked it so much, and it's super. • I wish I could be like them one day.*

## Pancake Breakfast



OPR families enjoyed themselves at the PAC's annual pancake breakfast. Thanks to Kerry Pitman, Cindy Hughes, Teresa Dolan, and Caty O'Brien for coordinating this event and making this day a success!

## Winter Box Top Collection

Thank you to Francine Aspinwall for coordinating the box top drive this winter. The total number of box tops collected was 10,784 from all grades, which amounted to \$1078.40 for OPR! Thanks to all who participated, and keep collecting those box tops!!

## Upcoming Events

- **OPR Family Fun Day (5/4/14)**  
A day of fun events including a 1-mile fun run and the cow plop will be coming back this spring! (Amy Smith and Brooke McMillan)
- **Staff Appreciation Luncheon (5/8/14)**  
We will be asking families to donate baked goods as a way of thanking OPR teachers for the tremendous job they do every day in the care and education of our children. (Emelinda Marrero)
- **OPR Day at the PawSox (5/18/14)**  
Come join OPR families at a day out at McCoy Stadium with the Pawtucket Red Sox at 1:05pm. The school chorus will be performing the National Anthem!
- **Barnes & Noble Book Fair (6/12/14)**  
Come enjoy our principal read favorite stories to the children, and browse - a percentage of each purchase goes to support OPR PAC! Then join other OPR families at OPR Night at Chili's! (Joyce Clifford & Kate Skyepek)

## Next PAC Meeting

Thursday, April 10th, 7pm

## PAC website

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