

At the AISR PTSA general meeting on October 26, 2009, the following discussions took place:

Thanksgiving Lunch

- The early childhood classes will eat lunch in their respective classrooms.
- A dining scheduling is to be arranged and distributed prior to the event.
- Volunteers will be needed to serve the meals, both within the early childhood classrooms as well as in the cafeteria.
- Parents will be asked to donate dessert.
- Grades 1-5 will decorate table runners for the cafeteria.

Thanksgiving Drive

- The drive will begin on November 11.
- The collection focus will be men's gloves, scarves, hats, and travel size toiletries.
- Boxes and a collection chart will be placed in the hallway, to be prepared by CAS students with the help of Outreach.
- Future soup making dates: November 22, March 12, April 23.

A word from the Treasurer

- All accounts from the Welcome Back Picnic have been finalized.

Halloween: October 30

- Candy distribution will be in classrooms this year to cut down on hallway traffic.
- The parade will take place at 2:15.
- JSR students, grades 1-5, are invited to join the AISR elementary classes.

Outreach Thanksgiving Drive: November 11-24

Thanksgiving Luncheon: November 25

Sinterklaas: Dec. 4

- A list of new students will be provided so that letters can be purchased for them.
- Music and staffing plans are underway for the event.

Tree Decorating in Hallway: December 7

- Tree will remain in hallway for 2 weeks, to be taken down prior to holiday break.

Teacher Holiday Breakfast: December 7

- Breakfast to be provided to teachers from PTSA.

Outdoor Tree Lighting: December 7

- Event to begin at 2:30.

Winter Performance: December 17

- PTSA to serve gluhwein and hold a bake sale with goods donated by parents.

Update on Dinner Dance Location

- It is agreed that the dinner dance will be at Zalmhuis.
- Immediately after holiday break, PTSA will hold a planning meeting in order to plan details of the dinner dance and choose committee chairs.
- A live auction was suggested in order to increase money earned on fundraising baskets.
- Suggested that some baskets be designated as closed envelope bids.
- Suggested that auction baskets be placed online and advertised in the school prior to the auction, with possible pre-dinner dance bids.

Presentation by Minna Vilpponen

- Promotion of a product called “Warmetje” for possible fundraising.