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### ..... From the Skano PTA Vice President

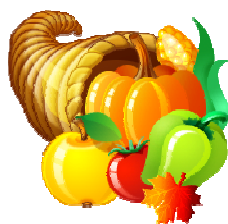


Hello Skano Families,

We had a wonderful PTA meeting last week. It was well attended and we made progress on quite a few topics. It is so great to have so much support from the families at Skano.



I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has already worked so hard on events this year. The PTA year is going great and we have been getting a lot of good feedback from the children and their families.



We have some great events coming up. The **Halloween Spooktacular** on October 30th will give all the children a chance to show off their costumes as well as their dancing skills! The **Holiday Shopping Bazaar** is coming up on November 21st. Be sure to get a jump on your holiday shopping!



I wanted to remind you to sign up for **PTA**

**membership.** We would love to have all families become members. If you would like to vote on topics at our meetings or be a committee chairperson, you must be a member. Becoming a member is a great way to support the Skano PTA and does come with some perks. Our membership drive is ending soon and our numbers are **down 20%** from the prior year. We need your help to keep the wonderful programs at Skano alive.

Our next meeting is November 17th at 6:30pm in the Skano Library. Hope to see you there. If you would like to come, but need a babysitter, email us 2 days in advance at skanopta@yahoo.com.

Enjoy the Fall—the leaves are so beautiful this year.

Sincerely,  
Kelly Saposnick  
Skano PTA Vice President

## Celebration Books — A Great Gift Idea

Celebration Books is a great way to donate new books to the Skano Library in honor of someone.

The book is personalized by a Skano PTA member with a laminated template in the front of the donated book and is placed in the library's collection to be viewed by all.

This idea makes a great gift to a child, teacher/staff member, end of the year

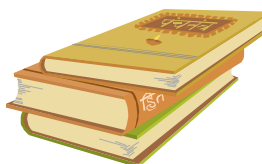
appreciation, in memoriam, or just because...

You will need to fill out the a Celebration Books Form which will be coming home within the next couple of weeks.

Any questions, please contact:

Brigid Schaepekens  
Brigid@nycap.rr.com or

Susan Kirby-LeMon, Skano Library, Kirbsusa@shenet.org



The Skano Book Fair will be open Thursday and Friday of Parent/Teacher conferences from 8:30am-3:30pm.



Come pick out some books for your children~ Great ideas for Holiday gift giving!

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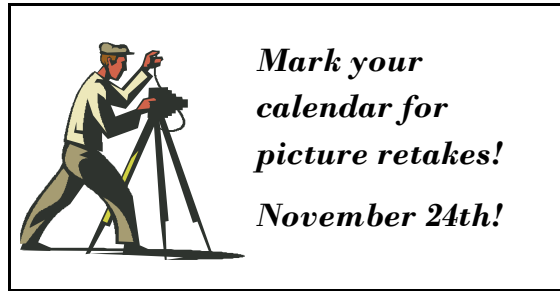
### School Banking

We are having a great start to our banking program!

**Parents**, do you know that your student can open an account or make a deposit at any time?

**Skano Staff**, do you know that you too can open an account to save for that rainy day? Send a student down with your deposit, or drop it off with us in the library before you start your day.

As always, it's great to see the students on Wednesday mornings in the library. During this month of November, let's be thankful for our riches - whether they are in pennies



### 1000 Book Kids Club

Congratulations to **David Richardson!** He's read through 100 green bags, to complete Skano's 1000 Book Kids Club program. Nice job, David— keep reading!

Just a reminder: if your child reaches a benchmark, e.g: 100 Books, 250 books, etc, please let us know so we may update our bulletin board.

Also, while cleaning our files we noticed that some bags have been out for a very long time. If you've had a bag for more than a month, please return it to the lobby ASAP. As always, if you find a problem with one of our bags (e.g.: too many or too few books), please return it to the library so we may fix it.

### PTA Fundraiser

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all that participated in the PTA Fundraiser or gave donations.



Please remember Pick-up Day for all items will be **Thursday, Nov. 12th** in the Skano Cafeteria from 3pm to 7pm. There will be no school that day, so if you will be out of town, please arrange for your items to be picked up. Some of the items will need refrigeration and there will be nowhere to store them. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the pickup event. If interested or have any other questions, please contact Wendy DeRose at 373-4992 or [wderose1@nycap.rr.com](mailto:wderose1@nycap.rr.com).

## Skano Dolphin Readers News



**Got buckets? Fill 'em with all the right stuff!**

Skano Dolphin Readers (SDR) is a Skano PTA sponsored reading program based on New York State's "Parents as Reading Partners" (PARP). Our goal is to encourage families to squeeze some reading time into their hectic schedules. Each year Capital Communications Federal Credit Union (CAPCOM) co-sponsors our program by donating money to a charity of our choice. This year we decided to support **Hannah's Hope** (different charity than was previously announced).

We earn 25 cents for each person who attends our SDR events.

Thanks to all who attended our kick-off event, Battle of the Books. Wow! We had 160 people attend the program! A special thanks to **John Craig** from Channel 13 who was our gracious emcee!

Our next event will be the **Read-A-Thon** on Friday, November 20, 6:30 -7:30 pm for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders.

Other SDR events for this year include:

Pajama Party

Read Across America Day

Closing Event-TBA

Book distribution (all Skano students take home a new book)

SDR has tied into the building theme of filling our buckets with positive actions, thoughts, and words. Spending quality family time, especially reading together has such a positive impact on our community!

Don't forget to read 15 minutes per night with your family! ☺

Make reading each day a part of your family's routine!