

# Clark Connection

James Clark School  
Mrs. Shelley Russell, Principal

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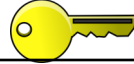


Choose Your Words

Respect Your School

Clark Keys to Success

Like Yourself



Accept Differences

Kindness Is The Key



## A Note from Mrs. Russell

Dear Clark Families,

November is here and Thanksgiving is just around the corner. We have so much to be thankful for at James Clark School. How thankful I am to have wonderful children, wonderful parents, and wonderful staff to work with on a daily basis.

November will be another busy month at Clark. We will finish up our family luncheons with the third and fourth grades on November 3rd and 10th. The first and second grade luncheons were a huge success, and I know third and fourth grades will be as well. It has been enjoyable to see so many parents having lunch with their children. There was no shortage of smiles on family luncheon days.

There will be no school on November 8th and 11th. On November 8th the PTO will be having a **Bake Sale** at school as a fundraiser. They are preparing many wonderful treats to sell to the community. Stop by if you get a chance to see what they have prepared.

Towards the middle of the month, the PTO has invited Ronald McDonald to come to school to present a program about friendship and cooperation. This should be an informative, fun program for all of the students at Clark to enjoy.

It has been great meeting so many of you over the past few months. I am looking forward to getting to know many more of you as the year moves forward. I would like to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Shelley Russell



## Dates to Remember:

- ◇ November 3: Grade 3 Parent/Student Lunch
- ◇ November 8: No School ~ Professional Day
- ◇ November 10: Grade 4 Parent/Student Lunch
- ◇ November 10: School Improvement Council Meeting
- ◇ November 11: No School ~ Veterans' Day
- ◇ November 23: Half Day ~ Early Dismissal 12:20 pm
- ◇ November 24 & 25: No School ~ Thanksgiving Break
- ◇ November 29: Picture Retake Day



## BOOKFAIR NEWS

Our Fall Bookfair was a big success! We made our goal. I would like to thank all the parents who came in to volunteer—it was greatly appreciated!

Thank you!,

Paula Bolduc, Bookfair Chairperson

**PTO Meeting**

**Wednesday**

**November 16th**

**6:30 p.m.**

**School Cafeteria**



## Fall Fundraiser Update

The first fundraiser had sales of \$8,000 and we made a profit of \$3,000!

Watch for news of our next fundraiser. The PTO is looking into offering Gift Card incentives for the 3 highest sales that are brought in!

*Thank you to everyone who supported our first fundraiser.*

## Book Closet Help Needed



The Book Closet - located in the Media Center - contains the Guided Reading books used by the teachers with their Guided Reading groups.

We are looking for volunteers to help organize and shelve the books once the teachers are done with them.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Mrs. Russell at 821-0571.

## Picture Retake Day - Wednesday, November 29th

If you would like your child's picture retaken, please make sure you send the **complete original photo package** back to the school. If your child is new to the school or was absent on the first picture day, you may place an order now.



Order forms are available in the school office.

Contact: Paula Bolduc



## Shop Online for the Holiday and earn money for James Clark School!

Log onto [www.Boxtops4education.com](http://www.Boxtops4education.com) and shop the **Marketplace**.

Many of the shops online offer free shipping!

## ELECTION DAY ~ PTO BAKE SALE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

**Volunteers are needed!**

~ **Donate baked goods**

~ **Help work the bake sale table**



**Volunteers may call Karen Carrier at 786-8057**



## Parent/Student Luncheons

**Grade 3: Thursday, November 3rd 12:15 p.m.**

**Grade 4: Thursday, November 10th 12:15 p.m.**

The menu for all lunches will be:

Pizza, Salad with Lite Dressing, Fruit, Dessert of the Day



We are asking that all parents who attend purchase a school lunch. The cost is \$3.00 per adult. Order forms were sent home with your child. Tickets must be purchased by October 14th. Lunch tickets will not be sent home. You will pick them up outside the office on the luncheon day.

Due to space restrictions, you are asked not to bring siblings to this luncheon.

*Please note: Kindergarten luncheon will be held in March.*



**James Clark PTO**

**President: Valerie Mulka**  
**Secretary: Paula Bolduc**  
**Treasurer: Maria DiLullo**  
**Fundraising: Amy Mendrala**

**Contact: jamesclarkpto@aol.com**



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**WANTED! PICTURES FOR THE YEARBOOK**

**If you have pictures from any school events this year, please email them to the PTO so we can include them in the 2011~2012 yearbook.**



**Email photos to:**  
**[jamesclarkpto@aol.com](mailto:jamesclarkpto@aol.com)**  
**THANK YOU!**



# November 2011



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3 3rd Grade Parent/Student Lunch	4	5
6	7	8 NO SCHOOL Professional Day	9	10 4th Grade Parent/Student Lunch	11 NO SCHOOL Veterans' Day	12
13	14	15	16 PTO Meeting	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Half Day 12:20 pm Dismissal	24 NO SCHOOL	25 NO SCHOOL	26 Thanksgiving Break
27	28	29 Picture Retake Day	30			