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#### Coming Up

Wed, Jan 30	Rocket Raffle ends
Wed, Feb 6	General PTA meeting,
	9:30AM, Rocket Cafe
Thu, Feb 7	Chick-fil-A night,
	3PM - 8PM, Waverly
Fri, Feb 8	Loaves & Fishes drive
	begins
Fri, Feb 15	Loaves & Fishes drive
	ends
Thu, Feb 21	Club picture day
Fri, Feb 22	Charlotte Checkers night
Feb 25 -	Staff Appreciation Week
March 1	

Next Rocket Review: February 22 Submission deadline: February 18

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## PSE Spirit Night with the Checkers



Do not miss out! Our own PSE Choir will be performing "God Bless America" at the game.

#### Carpool Update

Carpoolers, we need your help! Please do not block the first entrance into the school parking lot (by the spirit rock.) In the morning, our staff arrives to school between 6 am and 8 am depending on their work schedules. If that entrance is blocked, they are unable to pull into the

entrance is blocked, they are unable to pull into the parking lot and get into school. Additionally, if that entrance is blocked, emergency vehicles are unable to pull into the school should the need arise.

Thank you so much for your cooperation!





#### Community Outreach

For the past two school years, I've had the privilege of serving as the PTA VP of Outreach. One of my favorite things about this role has been watching how GENEROUS you are! After our recent coat drive, I was barely able to fit all the coats/winter accessories you gave into my minivan to deliver them. And you gave over 300 batteries to The Metro School in our recent battery drive – which was perfectly timed as they were desperately in need of them.

I'm hopeful that our children are watching as their parents so willingly and abundantly provide for others in need and that they are learning the value of helping others. My main goal while serving in this role is for OUR students to learn the heart behind giving. As they go to the store to purchase batteries or clean out their closets and give coats, I hope they know the joy that comes with giving to others and are instilled with a lifelong desire to help when they can.



Coats bagged up for transport.

The PTA served our annual lunch to the staff at the Metro School (our sister school where most students have severe cognitive disabilities and require full physical care) in December, and it was delightful to hear how grateful they are for what we've given them, but also to realize we have much to learn/take-away from them.



After years of explaining that The Metro School is our "sister school," I decided to research what exactly that means. What I found has affirmed my experience in this role to a surprising extent. A sister school relationship is "one where two schools establish a partnership with each other for MUTUALLY BENEFI-CIAL reasons."



It's easy to think that because PSE is the school giving material necessities to Metro, we do the majority of the giving in our relationship. I believe this is not true! Our children (and us!) can learn lessons far greater than any simple material item: developing empathy and openness, challenging stereotypes, considering our own roles as global citizens, and seeing the effect our attitude has on others.



Our next opportunity to give will be for our Loaves & Fishes drive. Last year the food bank was gratefully overwhelmed by the amount of canned goods we gave. After the holidays their shelves are often empty, so the timing of this drive is ideal. Let's outdo ourselves and provide food for even more hungry people right here in Charlotte.

Please have your student bring in non-perishable food items (no glass, please) between Feb. 8 and Feb. 15. We'll need parent volunteers on Feb. 15 to sort donations. Please email me, <a href="mailto:juliaheinzerling@gmail.com">juliaheinzerling@gmail.com</a>, if you're interested in helping!

— Julia Heinzerling, PTA VP/Outreach

"Action speaks louder than words but not nearly as often." - Mark Twain



#### Character Corner

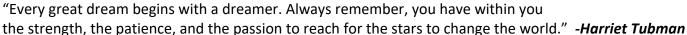
This month, Character Club is spotlighting:

#### First Grade: Patience

The Character Club members that worked and found the information are Emily Caldwell, Ella Clune, Maddy Grabowski, and Hayden Jenkins.

#### **QUOTES:**

"Patience is not the ability to wait but the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting."- **Joyce Mayer** 



#### Examples of how students and people show patience:

- •If not selected for something you really wanted, be patient for next time.
  - Waiting for your turn to say your opinion without talking over the person who is talking.
    - Not getting frustrated or angry because you are not first.
      - Having to wait to get called for the restroom.
        - •Waiting in line at an amusement park when it gets boring.

- Sarah McMurray & Angela Adamson

#### Spring Book Fair







#### Treasurer's Report

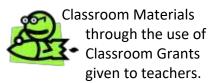
#### Providence Spring Elementary PTA Cash Balance Rollforward

Beginning Balance 12/1/18		\$104,477
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Capital Donations	45	
Directory	2	
Field Days Income	14	
Go Play Save	60	
Interest Income	9	
Membership	7	
Publications Income	55	
Spirit Wear	35	
Yearbook	75	
Total Income	302	
Expense		
Go Play Save expense	6,870	
PTA-PSE Educational Expense		
Classroom Grants	1,264	
Hospitality & Staff Recognition	157	
Principal Discretionary	130	
Technology and Educational Fund	1,127	
Total PTA-PSE Educational Expense	2,679	
PTA Operational Expenses		
Bank Fees	21	
Discretionary - Administrative	1,498	
Total PTA Operational Expenses	1,519	
School Store Expense	248	
School Supplies Expense	71	
PY Technology & Education Fund	372	
Total Expense	11,761	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/18		\$93,018



# Your Rocket Dollars at Work!!

Thanks to your continued generosity, we are pleased to report that your rocket dollars provided these items for the school in October:



New calculators for students to use in upper grade math classes.

Nothing But
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Metro School
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Annual renewal of SMART software for our SMART boards.



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