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President's Message

Hello Carrolltowne Community!

Typical for this time of year, things have slowed down following the holiday rush, but your PTA has stayed active at Carrolltowne:

- Mindy Stiffler and a team of parents have continued to deliver Birthday Books to students in their birth months.
- Jen Parisi finished the fifth-grade Reading with the Principals program and has collected forms for the fourth grade. Stay tuned for their Reading with the Principal date.
- Megan Daniels, Niki Guinan, and the rest of the Performing Arts committee have been hard at work, prepping the kids for their production of Wizard of Oz. They also built a set with the help of a lot of parents on February 11, and Kelly McGonigal has been hard at work costuming all these kids. Come see the show on March 3 and 4! Proceeds benefit our playground, and it's sure to be a fun time for cast, crew, and audience alike!
- JoAnna Robbins and Kourtney Roussey have been conducting regular Yearbook Club meetings, and they've scheduled a Spirit Week for the week of February 27. If your child participates, they may land on some bonus pages in the yearbook!

We are gearing up for our spring events, including a community service project, Donuts with Grownups and Muffins in the Morning, and a potential Spring Fling fundraiser. We are getting closer and closer to our target of \$200,000 for a new playground, but we could still use help. If you'd like to assist in fundraising for this worthy cause, please reach out to me at president@carrolltownepta.com.

Finally, with the closing of this year comes several openings in our Board of Directors and one for our Executive Board. Bekka Galinat and Lizz Miller are stepping down from the Hospitality Committee, and Kayla Solinsky has volunteered to step up--but she could use some help. Krista Porter is leaving Carrolltowne and the Fun Run Committee, and Megan Sines is in need of a cochair for the Fun Run Committee. Alicia Gipe is also leaving Carrolltowne, so we're looking for someone to take over our STEM Committee.

And finally, I will be moving on from this fantastic school at the end of this school year, so the presidency will be open. Unfortunately, per our bylaws and state and national guidelines, the PTA cannot exist without a president. Fortunately, though, the next president has a fantastic and experienced crew to keep things moving and a hard-working Board of Directors executing all the events and activities that enrich your children's lives. If you are interested in taking my spot or any of these committee spots next year, please contact me at president@carrolltownepta.com.

Niki Guinan
President

Community Service

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DRIVE
BENEFITTING**



CarrollBaby
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Items Collected:

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All sizes accepted,
sizes 4-6 highest
need

Pull-ups

All sizes

Baby Wipes

Open and unused packages of diapers and
Pull-ups accepted

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Events & Dates To Remember

- February 20th - Schools Closed
- February 27th-March 3rd - Spirit Week
- March 14th - Chick-Fil-A Night
- March 17th - Prof. Development, Early Dismissal, 2hr 45min, No Pre-K
- March 20th - School Picture Day

Future PTA Meetings

- April 13, 7 p.m.
- June 1, 7 p.m.

Membership

It's not too late!

Parents/Guardians, Teachers, Staff,
Administrators, Grandparents
We need YOU join our PTA.
Together we make a difference.

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Teacher/Staff, \$5 -- Indv. Membership, \$9 --
Double Membership, \$14

Spirit Week

The Yearbook Club is hosting a school wide Spirit Week
February 27th - March 3rd

Let's kick off the week with Mismatched Monday! Grab crazy socks, mismatched clothes, and those crazy hairstyles! The schedule is as follows:

Monday, Feb 27th

Mismatched Monday

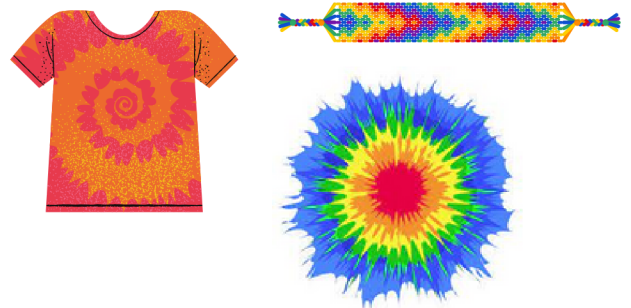
Crazy socks, hair, mismatched clothes



Tuesday, Feb 28th

Tye Dye Tuesday

Tye Dye Shirts, Pants, anything that's tye dyed to show off your vibes



Wednesday, March 1st

Beach Day Wednesday

Summer attire, shorts, neon and bright colors, leis, sunglasses -
NO SWIMSUITS



Thursday, March 2nd

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss

Dress up all things Dr. Seuss - from his books to Thing 1, Thing 2, Cat in the Hat



Friday, March 3rd

Wizard of Oz Spirit Day

In honor of the Carrolltowne Players, be prepared to show your support - Wear your Play T-shirts, Rainbows, Red Shoes, Green for Oz



Get in the spirit, have fun, and be ready to say "CHEESE"

Performing Arts

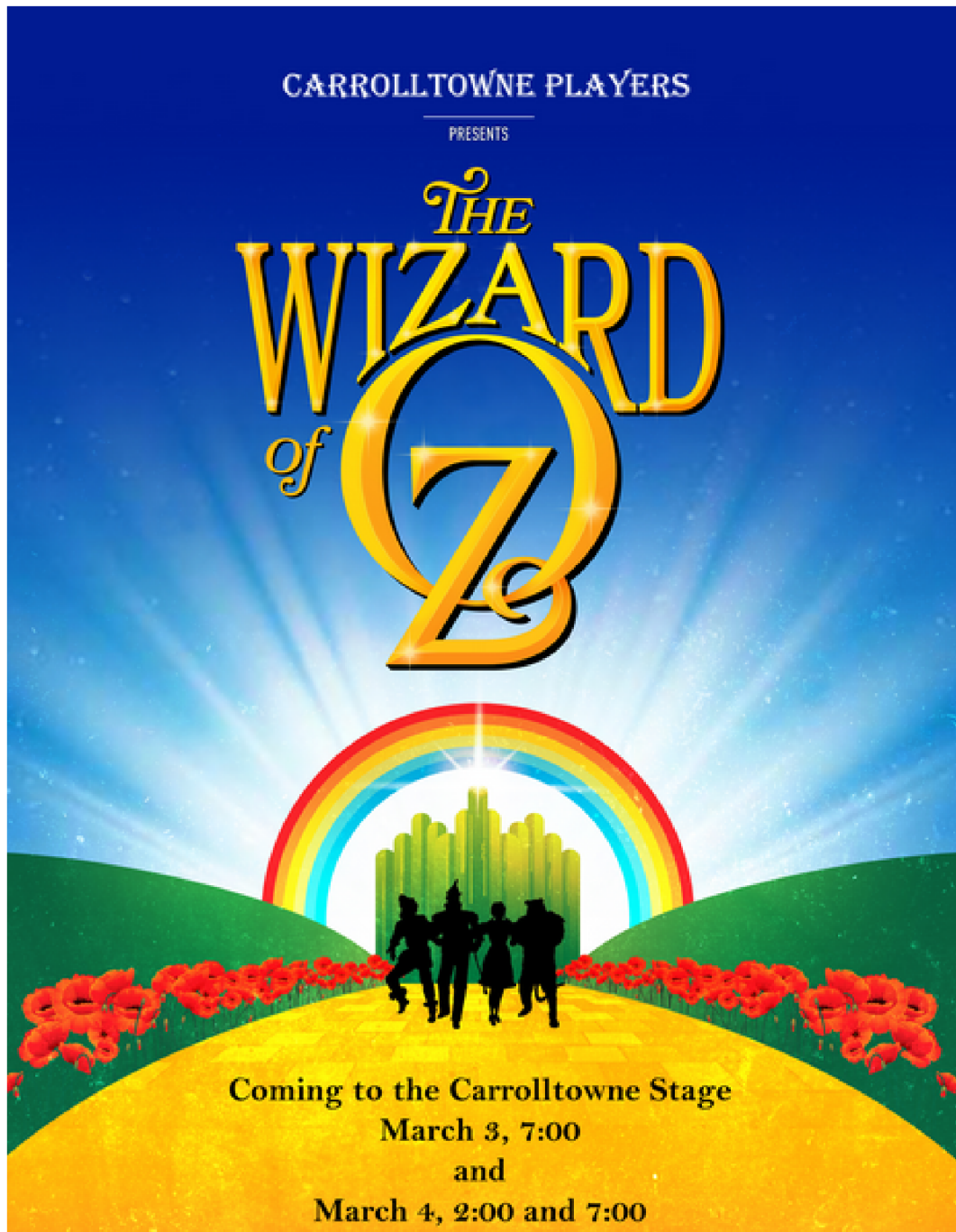
Follow the Yellow Brick Road!

Tickets for Carrolltowne Players' production of Wizard of Oz are on sale now!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/carrolltowne-players-production-of-wizard-of-oz-youth-edition-tickets-524931814187>

Proceeds benefit our Playground Fund.

The first two shows are already sold out, so get your tickets today!

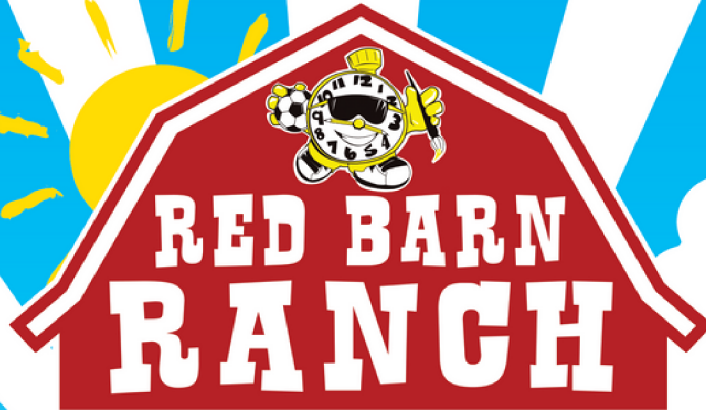


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The Lost &
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2022-2023 PTA Executive Committee

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Play, Thrive, Grow, Connect



BECOME A CARROLLTOWNE PLAYGROUND SPONSOR!



Carrolltowne Elementary PTA, a 501(c)(3) organization, is looking for local businesses to partner with to provide a quality playground for our students. By becoming a sponsor, you will not only gain increased business, but you will also directly improve the lives of countless children in our community for years to come. Your support is critical. In return for your donation, your business will receive three areas of recognition:

1. An advertisement in each month's PTA newsletter, distributed to the families and educators of more than 600 students. (Note: Advertisements apply to the 2022-2023 school year only.)
2. An advertisement in the 2023 Carrolltowne Players' Playbill. The Carrolltowne Players produces a student play each year that sells 1,200 tickets each season.
3. Inclusion of your business name on a plaque to be displayed at the new playground. (Note: Only for Silver, Gold, and Platinum levels.)

We have four levels of sponsorship to choose from:

BRONZE: \$500 to \$999

Advertisement in our newsletter and playbill

SILVER: \$1,000 to \$2,499

A quarter-page advertisement and a small name on the plaque

GOLD: \$2,500 to \$4,999

A half-page advertisement and a medium name on the plaque

PLATINUM: \$5,000 or more

A full-page advertisement and a large name on the plaque

Prefer to Give a Donation Instead?
Use the QR Code below for direct donations!



Have products we can include in silent auction baskets? Email us @ fundraising@carrolltownepta.com

Interested? We hope so! Fill out the information below and return it to us at the listed address. It's that simple! If you have any questions, please reach out to fundraising@carrolltownepta.com. Thank you!

Please send the following information, a check made payable to *Carrolltowne Elementary School PTA*, and advertisement to:

Carrolltowne Elementary School PTA, 6542 Ridge Road, Sykesville, MD 21784

Name (as you want listed on the sign): _____

Contact Email Address/Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Level of Sponsorship: _____

Would you like a tax receipt? Yes / No

Please include a copy of the advertisement you would like us to use or email a copy to Bryanna Parish at secretary@carrolltownepta.com.

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