**FIRST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!!!!**

OCTOBER 31, 2014 - WALK-A-THON ~ 1:30 P - 4:00 P
FORM AND MONEY DUE: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 (form should have come home with your child. If not, check the digital backpack)
Our annual walk-a-thon is a fun and fit activity for all our children! Our goal is to help the fundraising committee raise at least $3500. We hope that each family will participate to the best of their ability.
*If each family raises $15, we will achieve our goal!* When our goal is reached, our students can have a chance to throw a ball and dunk Mrs. Sorge. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED.** Start getting your pledges today!
Please contact Nicole at Events@northparkschools.org with any questions.

**What's happening at Tuesday's PTA Meeting?**

**Special Guests for Tuesday, October 21 General PTA Meeting**

Join GRPS Communications Director, John Helmholdt, who will join us in October for a welcome to the 2014-2015 school year!

Additionally, if you have a child participating in sports this fall, you may have noticed there have been some changes made to how teams are put together and locations for practices. There are many factors which have contributed to these changes including grant funding, budget cuts, enrollment shifts and participation numbers last year.

Mr. Kurt Johnson, Executive Director of K-12 Athletics and Mr. Matt Verley, Middle School Coordinator, have been very responsive to the questions, concerns and feedback of North Park parents as these changes were put into place this fall. We are excited that Mr. Johnson and Mr. Verley will be joining us at our October meeting to provide an overview of athletics in GRPS, what to expect as we head into winter and spring sports and preparing middle school athletes for high school.

For more information on fall sports, you can visit the GRPS website or view schedules by sport in North Park’s Digital Backpack.

**LOOK AT BACK PAGE TO SEE WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON AT MEETING!**

**Upcoming Events**

**OCTOBER 29, 2014**
Chili Cook Off and Kids Costume Party

**OCTOBER 31, 2014**
Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser

**December 10-12**
Holiday House

**March 28, 2015**
Making the Pies

**April 25, 2015**
Adult Gala & Silent Auction

**Saturday, May 16, 2015**
Rummage Sale & Bake Sale

For all school events, go to www.northparkschools.org/calendar

**PTA GENERAL MEETINGS:**

6:00 – 7:30

**Monday, Sept. 15**
Tuesday, Oct. 21
Monday, Nov. 17
Tuesday, Dec. 16
Monday Jan. 26
Tuesday, Feb. 17
Monday, March 16
Tuesday April 21
Monday May 18
Using the Internet to help with homework - you must sign up ahead of time thru link below

Date: October 21, 2014
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: North Park Montessori

Parents will learn the benefits of databases and learn how these are connected to the GRPS’s curriculum so that students can use them when doing homework. They will also learn how to access and search databases and learn the difference between databases and websites.


New and Returning Members of the PTA, won’t you join us?

Steve Merrill, Denise Merrill, Abby Benedict, Brian Bakkila, April Conley, Thuy Tran, Mary Fridsma, Steve Fridsma, Sue Bakkila, Kate Walker, Carie Cruz, Jessica Kalumbula, Mulonge Kalumbula, Lori Harrison-Smith, Ben Williams, Scott Smith, Christina Aderholdt, Jennifer Lorene Hutchinson, Sarah Wilson, Kevin Wilson, Geri Breton, Rachel Hood-Petroelje, Dave Petroelje, Janine Bartley, Randy Bartley, Michele DeBlaay, John DeBlaay, Melissa Baker-Boosamara, Monique Walton, Kristin Revere, Ella Morgan, Andrew Aulgar, Jen Aulgar, Tanya Chanter, Michele VanderMaas, Pamm Lee, Lisa Scheid, Amy Barto, Erica Swenson, Shawn McDermed, Melissa Hale, Ashima Saigal, David Fridsma, Jawanza Sims, Erin Pierce, Robert Skipp, Theresa Skipp, Theresa McPherson, Jason McPherson, Ashley Martin, Angela Jenkins, Tessa Kwant, Lila Guillot, Whitt Kilburn, Megan Kilburn, Dave DeJonge, Susan DeJonge, Jackie Selleck, Brett Selleck, William Allen, Melissa Vannest, Cassandra Steimle, Joel Stillerman, Cindy Koepke, Dennis Koepke, Michelle Hubert-Allen, Tom Hall, Nijagara Davidson, Chelsea Staats, Emily Akers, Anita VanZoeren, Mandi DeGroot, Jennifer Hall, Alexandra Mikrut, Robin Geahan, Jenny Mikrut, Colleen O’Leary, Dana Munk, Leyla Flores, Nicole Muyskens, Megan Bulтемa, Shana Bailey, Michael Waldron, Andrew Hogan, Romeyne Cloud, Liz DeBraber, Tiffany Idziak, Mindy Faber, Bill Holmes, Kate Holloway, Tyler Steimle, Heather Loser, Rivka Kawano, Stephanie Hulshof, Beth Cranson, Jeff Cranson, Maureen Nollette, Matthew Patulski, Nicole Clark