



MES PTA General Meeting
Wednesday September 15, 2021 at 6pm

Elected Officers: Vanessa Greene-President, Domenica Murray- CO-Vice President, Brianna Dunham- CO-Vice President, Sara Schneller-Recording Secretary, Justin Harty- Corresponding Secretary, Heidi Waddell- Treasurer

- **Call to Order**
- **Principal's Report- Andrew Davenport**
 - PTA overview, roles and expectations
 - After School Clubs – could be a green light!
 - First week update:
 - Capital project – New doors, new energy efficient lighten, new boilers, new bathrooms, new floors.... made it difficult for re-opening. Staff took extra time to make the first day great!
 - Food service has been great
 - Drop off / pick up group has worked out well!
 - New staff / a lot of turnoff – we need anew Art Teacher (Protoss at IM)
 - Need new TA's
 - Big News – Add an additional teacher to Kindergarten, 21-22 per class – need another teacher
 - Teachers have been fantastic, classroom community, NY state drills, fire department prevention day.....the kids have been welcomed!!! The kids are excited!
 - **Curriculum 9/23 night next week 6pm – ZOOM Stay Tuned**
 - Add an additional Bus Run.....Transportation has been an issue and the amount of time that the kids have been on the bus
 - Preparing for International Peace Day next Tuesday 9/21
- **Questions & Concerns**
 - Busing – when are they adding routes?
 - Maybe in a week or two we should have more answers
 - Times are improving
 - Option for Kids to have lunch outside?
 - Happening frequently with snack
 - Issue is that we want as many kids to have lunch in the cafeteria is right there....to move food etc. Snack is ideal
 - Each 3rd grade class might be able to eat outside based on requirements
 - Kindergarten Lunch time allowed – 30 minutes
 - Kindergarten classes may need to be restructured based on class size. Needs to move down to 17 per class. Probably about a month out or more...Some kids may need to stay based on learning needs
 - Compliments on how flexible and helpful all the faculty has been!!
 - Questionnaire to be coming out on curriculum night. What does Marbletown offer? Characteristic that are important etc. We're trying to build a 5 year plan

- Classroom parents – if it happens it usually takes some time to make it happen....using google classroom.. Teacher dependent mostly after first quarter. Please let the teacher know
- **Report of Board Officers and standing committees:**
 - Executive Committee (Vanessa Greene)
 - PTA Welcome
 - Membership and volunteer opportunities
 - Memberhub.com
 - Marbletown pta facebook page
 - Finance Committee (Heidi Waddell)
 - Proposed Budget 2021-22 school year
 - Trying to resume a normal optimistic approach. Shadowing other normal years. Consistent with previous years.
 - Some changes – update new items and supplies etc.
 - Tailored with Covid as possible
- **New Business**
 - Fundraisers
 - Opt Out Fundraiser
 - 3 options, with T-shirts or magnets. Donation
 - Meadow Farms (10/4-18)
 - Similar to Yankee Fundraiser
 - Snacks, wrapping paper etc
 - Newsletter will help keep all members in the loop
 - Venmo
- **Yearbook**
 - Please share pictures at yearbook@marbletownpta.com
 - Venmo Account – mes-pta1
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Picture Day Tuesday Oct 5, 2021
 - Postmark Book Fair Oct 12-14
 - Parent Night Oct 14 5pm-7pm (Tongore Park)
 - Volunteers Needed!!
 - Trunk or Treat Oct. 29, 2021
 - More on this next month
- **After School Clubs**
 - Club ideas and/or volunteers (usually run between 4-8 weeks) Yoga??
 - We'd like to have several new club ideas
 - Chess, cooking, garden etc.....
 - Please email us at marbletownpta@gmail.com
- **Announcement of Next Meeting**
 - Tuesday October, 12, 2021 at 6-7pm
 - Location to be determined
- **Adjournment**