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President's Pen

Happy New Year! Welcome back from Winter Break. We're starting the second half of the school year with a beautiful new mural in our main hallway, and we have exciting events planned each month for the rest of the school year!

Sincerely,
Jill Edelson, jill_piscas@yahoo.com

Membership

Membership is \$10 per person. Forms can be found on our website, sfespta.weebly.com. Membership dues go toward providing financial support to school programs, events, activities, and improvement projects that would otherwise not be funded.

High Fives

Thank you to everyone who donated food or time to our December teacher treat! Thank you to everyone who donates to the SFES food drive. The next giveaway is January 16. Please contact Ms. Dillah or the PTA for more information about volunteering. On January 8, Stevens Forest hosted our Art Night Extravaganza to officially unveil our brand-new mosaic mural and to honor our exceptional student artists. We would like to thank all of the staff and families who helped us organize this event. Above all, we would like to recognize once again the talents and creativity of our students

Reflections

The PTA would like to thank all of the parents and staff who supported our student artists in the National PTA Reflections Program. Our students' responses to the theme "The world would be a better place if.." were creative and inspiring -- we are proud of both their talent and their thoughtfulness.

All of our participants did an exceptional job, but we could only advance a few entries to the county competition. The students who will be representing our school in the Howard County Reflections competition are listed below.*

Visual Arts, grades Pre-K – 2

Izabella McDonald (Grade 1)-Eva Thibault (Grade 2)-Michele Threefoot (Grade 1)

Visual Arts, Grades 3-5

Mylie James (Grade 5)-Andrea Gomez- Herrera (Grade 5)-Lyric Harris (Grade 5)

Music Composition

Penelope Kennedy (K)

Dance Choreography

Abigail McDonough (Grade 4)

Literature

Michele Threefoot (Grade 1)-Eddie Searles (Grade 4)

Photography

Michele Threefoot (Grade 1)

Film

Shayla Herron (Grade 2)-Felicity Holmes (Grade 2)

Congratulations to all these students and to everyone who participated!

*Winners were selected based on numeric scores awarded by 10 faculty judges. We will know the results of the county competition by early February.

Author Visit!

Thanks again to the generosity of a community member, SFES will have a n author visit the school. Priscilla Cummings, author of the Chadwick the Crab series, will visit the SFES on February 5.

International Night

International Night was a big hit last year, and we're doing it again this year on Thursday, February 26 at 6 p.m. We will have food and displays from around the globe as well as performers and activities. Please contact us at sfesbobcatspta@gmail.com if you are interested in helping us with this event.

Elections

All executive board positions are up for election this year. Incumbents may serve up to two consecutive terms in the same position. If you are interested in a position or want more information, please contact us at sfesbobcatspta@gmail.com. A list of positions and current officers is available at <http://sfesbobcatspta.weebly.com>. You will need to submit a brief statement of interest and biography if you would like to run for an office. We will hold elections at the May PTA meeting. New officers take office on July 1.