

[PTA News and Happenings - September 25, 2015](#)

Important dates

Week of September 28: Mini-courses begin!

Saturday, October 3: Westwood Day

Wednesday, October 7: PTA meeting @ 7 pm in the Sheehan library!!!

*****Please note date change to accommodate School Committee!*****

Friday, October 30: Sheehan Halloween Party! 6-7:30 pm

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PTA Dues and Activity Fees/Directory

We'd like to invite parents who have not yet submitted their PTA dues and activity fees to do so at their earliest convenience. The **Activity Fees** pay for a wide variety of activities that your children enjoy throughout the year. Without the fees, we could not have field trips, author visits, halloween parties and much more. Click on [last year's annual report](#) to see how your \$\$ is put to good use at the Sheehan! Separate from the Activity Fees, the **PTA Dues** allow us to work as a non-profit organization and take advantage of a lot of programs specifically geared to that designation. The dues also allow you, as a parent member of the PTA, to vote on all matters of the PTA, including how we use our \$\$\$\$. We need your help! Please help us give your kids a great school year! We are still accepting checks! Pay by check by using this [form](#), or better yet use [Pay4schoolstuff.com](#)! There is a small fee charged for using this service, but it is so convenient for PTA volunteers! Thank you for your support!

Fall Mini-courses begin the week of September 28!!!

Thank you for supporting the Sheehan PTA's biggest fundraiser!!! If you have signed your child up for a mini course, you will receive an email confirming your child's enrollment in the next couple of days. Classes begin the week of 9/28 and run for approximately 8 weeks (unless otherwise noted in the

schedule and in your confirmation email). Please remember to send your child with a NUT FREE snack to eat between dismissal and the start of class. If your child is doing an active class, please send appropriate footwear and a water bottle. Also, please be sure to pick your child up on time at **4:15** in the cafeteria lobby on the day of his/her mini-course **and sign him or her out with the Parents-in-Charge**. Any questions? Please contact our mini-course team: Joy Hurley, jjhurley5@verizon.net, Danielle Meagher, meagherd77@verizon.net, Ashley Tuccillo, ashleyfkennedy@msn.com, and Julia Hauck, jbhauck@verizon.net.

Westwood Day is October 3! Sign-up and Save the Date!

It's time to sign up for the Westwood Day one mile kids' fun run! We would love to take home the School Spirit trophy for the 4th year in a row! The race is free for all students! Click [here](#) to sign up. We would love for all Sheehan students to wear their Field Day T-shirts to show their school spirit!

First PTA meeting is Wednesday, October 7 !!! Mark your calendar!!!

Please join us on **Wednesday, October 7, at 7 pm** in the Sheehan Library for our first PTA meeting of the 2015-16 school year! The meeting date change was made to accommodate **Westwood School Committee Member Brian Kelly and Superintendent John Antonucci**, who will be present to inform and answer any questions you may have surrounding School Committee issues. Additionally, we will begin the process of officially voting and welcoming the newest members of our board: Karin Albers (Co-President) and Stacey Grealley (Co-Secretary)! *****We need your vote!!!*****

Halloween Party: Save the Date! Friday October 30th

Please save the date, **Friday, October 30th**, for what is sure to be a "spooktacular" night of fun for the whole family! **Look for the Halloween Party flyer to be coming home in backpacks soon.**

- **6:00 - 7:30pm**
- Kids are welcome to wear their costumes.
- DJ, snacks, and bake sale
- Plenty of games and crafts for the younger kids
- The famous "Haunted Hallway" for the older ones!

- Cost is **\$5 per child**, maximum **\$15 per family** (adults and siblings under 3 are free).
- Need many volunteers!
 - Afternoon "set-up" help: 3-5 pm. (Please note: no children at set-up)
 - Volunteers to help during party (6-7:30pm)
 - Haunted Hallway ghosts and ghouls (also during party @ 6-7:30 pm)
 - Clean-up help: after the party @ 7:30-8 pm
- Finally, do you have any **halloween decorations or spooky items that you would be willing to donate?** The Haunted Hallway is always a great part of the event and the more props, the better!

Please reach out to one of the contacts below if you would like to help:

Susan Cann at [781-551-3489](tel:781-551-3489) or susan.cann@verizon.net

Sara Herlihy at [617-504-8330](tel:617-504-8330) or sarahcherlihy@gmail.com

Sue Hicks at [781-603-3459](tel:781-603-3459) or hicks822@me.com

Fall Picnic!

We hope everyone had fun catching up with old friends and meeting new friends! What a beautiful evening it was!





Thank you!

Special thanks to Sandy Horn and Jaime Rosa for running the apparel booth at Curriculum Night! Orders will arrive in time for the holidays!

Special thanks also to Gail Boruvka, Lisa Tryder, Eileen Hebard, Ellen Monroy, and Sheri Warrington for helping out on Photo Day! We couldn't have done it without you!

Board member info:

Looking for ways to get involved? Questions or concerns? Please reach out to a board member at any time! We'd love to hear from you!

● Co-presidents

- Dawnmarie Shu (dawnmarie_shu@hotmail.com)
- Patty Spink (pfspink@gmail.com)
- Karin Albers (kalbers105@gmail.com)

● Co-secretaries

- Andrea Gailunas (andrea.gailunas@gmail.com)
- Co-secretary nominee Stacey Grealley (staceybreenmd@msn.com)

● Co-treasurers

- Laura McGonagle (llmcgonagle@verizon.net)
- Maddy Campbell (maddy777@gmail.com)

2015-16 PTA Meeting Dates (meet at the Sheehan Library)

Wednesday, October 7 @ 7pm *****Please note date change!*****

Tuesday, November 17 @ 9 am

Tuesday, January 12 @ 7 pm

Tuesday, March 8 @ 9 am

Tuesday, May 31 @ 7 pm

Stay Connected:

- www.sheehanpta.com
- www.facebook.com/groups/sheehanpta to join our FACEBOOK page, which is great for last minute reminders!
- www.pay4schoolstuff.com to register/pay for PTA sponsored events.
- <http://vols.pt/Xbw4ZP> to volunteer to help out at lunch time!
- <http://www.westwood.k12.ma.us/sheehan-school/> for the Sheehan School website