

A MESSAGE FROM THE PTA

Happy New Year! We hope everyone had a great holiday! We are excited to be back to school!

Thank you again for your support of our Holiday Shop! We were happy to sponsor the laser light show the students saw just before the holidays!

The school directory is available to members online at:
fortgarrisonpta.membershiptoolkit.com

Paper copies were distributed in paper form to our Silver and Foxy Gold level members last month. If you need to access the directory and are not a member, please contact us.

Upcoming:

- **Our next meeting is Thursday, January 16th at 6:30 p.m.** We will again show parents how they can check their child's grades online. Hotspots will be speaking at this meeting to share more information about what they offer! Jessica Normington has volunteered to be our treasurer until the end of the school year! We will be voting to have her take over the position at this meeting. We will also share updates about our upcoming events. Hotspots will be providing free childcare during the time of the meeting.
- **Our third restaurant night at Koopers is on Wednesday, January 15th!**
A percentage of the sales that mention FGES will be donated to the PTA to support our students!
- **Volunteer Opportunity: Lunchtime Volunteers !**
We would like to invite parents to help in the cafeteria at lunchtime. We can accommodate two-four parents during a lunch shift. This is a great way to visit with your child during the school day and help out the school! Lunchtime is from 11:40a.m. -1:30 p.m. You can come for all or part of this time.

2nd grade - 11:40-12:10

1st grade - 12:00 -12:30

K/CALS - 12:20-12:50

3rd grade - 12:40-1:10

4th grade - 12:55 -1:25

5th grade - 1:00 -1:30

The sign up genius for this is posted at
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054ea5aa29a3fe3-fort>

Please **complete the volunteer training so you can participate in this opportunity!** Applications and training can be done online.
https://www.bcps.org/community/volunteer_info/

- **Please continue to collect and submit Box Tops and download and use the new Box Top App.**
 - Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. We earn 10¢ for each one turned in **before they expire.**
 - Use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt within 14 days of purchase. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to our school's earnings online.

The PTA continues to work hard to build community and support our students and teachers. **If you have not been receiving emails from the PTA about school events and would like to, email us at fortgarrisonpta@gmail.com and ask us to add you!**

Thank you!

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