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## 12-18-23 Thurston PTO Newsletter

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# Thurston Elementary Parent Teacher Organization

## Heron Happenings

December 18, 2023



### Upcoming Events

**December 19:** Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting, 6:00 - 7:00p.m. on Zoom

**December 22:** Last Day of School Before Break



**January 8:** School Resumes

**January 15:** No school (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

### PTO Meeting Tomorrow



**Join us on [Zoom](#) tomorrow - Tuesday December 19th at 6:00pm - for the last Parent Teacher Organization meeting of 2023!** The PTO is a group of parent volunteers who work with Thurston teachers and staff to organize school events and to fundraise for vital programs and materials that enrich our Thurston school community. Every Thurston parent receives automatic membership in the PTO and is welcome and encouraged to attend meetings. Haven't had a chance to come to a meeting yet this year? It's not too late. You can [join the discussion](#) tomorrow about the principal selection process at Thurston, fundraising, PTO first day communications and more. Have your voice heard or share your expertise!

**Be sure to add upcoming PTO meetings to your calendar:**

January 16 - Zoom meeting ([Add to Google Calendar](#)) ([iCal file](#))

February 20 - Zoom meeting ([Add to Google Calendar](#)) ([iCal file](#))

March 19 ([Add to Google Calendar](#)) ([iCal file](#))

April 16 ([Add to Google Calendar](#)) ([iCal file](#))

May 21 ([Add to Google Calendar](#)) ([iCal file](#))

June 4 ([Add to Google Calendar](#)) ([iCal file](#))

## Winter Giving Deadline Tomorrow



If you haven't had a chance yet, **there's still time to participate in our school's Winter Giving drive to help support Thurston families in need during the holiday season.** Check out our [Winter Giving Page](#) where you can sign up to fulfill families' requests for toiletry items, toys, gift cards, clothing, winter gear and more. Gift items are around \$25 each. All physical items need to be **dropped off to the Thurston office before 12/19.** All items should be unwrapped and labeled with the student ID found in the slot (i.e. A1 or B2).

Please feel free to share with others on social media or friends and family if you would like using the following link: [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vSpHmQMSzr-UZWa3pG1KcJvAvqD8KvOEli8XOB5HsfaSSyURX6QTegKYF7KRpA8-jpNZgtWa\\_GdWei0/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.p](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vSpHmQMSzr-UZWa3pG1KcJvAvqD8KvOEli8XOB5HsfaSSyURX6QTegKYF7KRpA8-jpNZgtWa_GdWei0/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.p)

If you have any questions, please email [Samantha Cucu](#), Interim Principal.

## Lunch Recess Volunteers



Thanks to those who have already signed up to help at lunch recess! **We still have some openings on Tuesdays.** Check out our [Winter 2023-2024 sign up sheet](#). Use the top of the sheet to [sign up](#) for a recurring shift or scroll down to sign up for just one or two days. Please include your shift choice next to your name on the form.

Recess starts at 11:12 and goes until 12:48. There are 3 shift options.  
Shift 0: the whole recess period  
Shift 1: 11:00-12:30  
Shift 2:11:20-1:00

If you have trouble with the form, please email [pto.thurstonelementary@gmail.com](mailto:pto.thurstonelementary@gmail.com). We greatly appreciate your support!

When you arrive for your scheduled volunteer shift, please check in at the school office with your ID. Thank you so much for helping out at the school and have a great day!

### Mark your calendar for International Night!



Save the date for International Night - Thurston's premier cultural event of the year! Come enjoy an evening of music and performances, food, community, and culture brought to you by Thurston families and children.

**Date:** May 3rd (rain date: May 10th)

**Time:** 5:30 - 7:30p.m.

**Cost:** FREE thanks to the generosity of Thurston families and the Thurston PTO

**Interested in representing your culture/country or helping with planning?** Contact [thurstoninternationalnight@gmail.com](mailto:thurstoninternationalnight@gmail.com)

### Thurston Student Directory



Need to contact a Thurston parent or student? Check out the updated [2023-2024 Thurston student directory](#). The directory is organized by grade (see tabs) and then alphabetically by class. If you registered prior to the start of school and indicated in InfoSnap that you wanted to be included in the directory, your contact information should be included. If you find a change needs to be made or do not see your information but wish for it to be included, please complete this [form](#).

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**Please sign up with our local grocery stores to [raise money for Thurston while you shop!](#)**

**Have a question or suggestion? The PTO wants to hear from you!**

**Contacts:**

[Maureen McCoy](#) (PTO President)

[Sathish Arcot & Ying-Chieh Wang](#) (PTO Treasurers)

[Holly Giesman Rosero](#) (PTO Newsletter)

**You can also** [visit our website](#) or [Facebook page](#)

**Newsletter submissions due by Saturday, 5pm to:** [newsletter.thurstonpto@gmail.com](mailto:newsletter.thurstonpto@gmail.com)

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