



# PTA TIMES Takoma Park Elementary School

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**School Hours:** 8:45 am - 3:30 pm  
**School website:** <http://montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/takomaparkes/>  
**PTA website:** <http://www.tpespta.org>  
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## Message from PTA President Shruti Bhatnagar

I would like to start with a special thanks to Lisa Hone and Angela Greenfield, our Passive Fundraising Committee Chairs for the Grocery Card and Box Top Programs. These programs have now been taken on by the school, which will provide further information. Many thanks also to all our wonderful parent volunteers. When you volunteer, be it for PTA or any other activities in the classroom or the school, please do enter your name and other information in the white binder next to the sign-in sheet at the front office. At the end of the school year, the volunteer coordinator tallies the total volunteer hours and sends this information to the Montgomery county office, which recognizes the top 10 schools with maximum volunteer hours. I would like to see you all recognized as the TPES team who made this a wonderful school year with your volunteering hours. Thanks.

Others interested in being room parents for their children's classrooms, please contact Kellee McCluney at [kellee@gentlelotus.com](mailto:kellee@gentlelotus.com).

**Contributors to Sally Foster/Flower Bulb fundraiser:** Thanks to all the families and volunteers that made the Sally Foster/Flower Bulb fundraiser a success or contributed cash to the PTA in lieu of Sally Foster. We are very close to our Fall Fundraising goal. Use the "Sally Foster" link on the PTA website, at <http://www.tpespta.org/pages/Fundraising/fundraising.html>, to put in more orders till the end of the year!



## Upcoming events, school closings, and early release days in the next 2 weeks

### Events at the Grosvenor location

Oct 30	Staff appreciation event
Nov 11	Parent-teacher conferences
Nov 11	5:00-6:00 pm Staff appreciation dinner

### School closings and early release days

Nov 2	School closed: Professional Day for Teachers
Nov 11	1:00 pm Early release-Parent conferences
Nov 12	1:00 pm Early release-Parent conferences



## Acknowledgements for events and activities held in October

In the last newsletter of each month, we try to acknowledge all of the many volunteers who make our PTA and school so strong. If we have left anyone out, please know that your hard work makes a huge difference for the students, parents, and staff at TPES.

**Picture Day:** Thanks to Denise Thompson, Sally Chaupiz, Alexandra Papashoe and Heidi Hessler for their help with Picture Day at TPES.

**Fall Fiesta Committee:** Thanks to the Fall Fiesta committee chairs, Mary Hanisco and Angela Bednarek and committee members Jane Enright for organizing the Fall Fiesta. A special thanks to our very own principal, Mrs. Gadsden, for enthusiastically leading the bingo activity at the Fiesta, and Holly Pasquale, the musical director at Takoma Park Middle School, for the marvelous entertainment she provided for the Fiesta.

**Room parent volunteers:** Many thanks to all those who have already volunteered to be room parents.



## Fundraising Corner

Entertainment books were sent in your child's Dolphin folder last week. If you would like to purchase your book and start saving, please send your payment in your child's Dolphin folder. Otherwise, please return the book in your child's Dolphin folder. All checks should be made to TPES PTA. Please contact A. J. Campbell at [aj@cosynergy.com](mailto:aj@cosynergy.com) for any questions.