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**Elizabeth Stewart PTA**



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**Stewart Shout Out**

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| **Talent Show** - The Stewart Talent Show is coming on April 22!  Start practicing!  This was our best PTA event last year and we look forward to an even better event this year!  Interested students (or teachers!) will need to turn in a signed form to the office by February 26th.  "Previews" will be held 3/1 and 3/3 after school.  Like auditions, the "previews" are just to ensure that the act (singing, dancing, skit, ??) is appropriate and practiced.  Rehearsals will be after school on mostly Tuesdays and Thursdays starting 3/15.  Our theme is Earth Day!  Every participant will receive a FREE reusable Stewart tote bag!  Doors open at 5:30. Show starts at 6pm.  Drinks and snacks will be for sale.**Assemblies** - The PTA raised $2000 this year to support assemblies at Stewart!  Storyteller Muriel Johnson is coming February 22. Check her out at http://www.forherstories.com/home.html |
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**![C:\Users\Susyn\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\ZVGV0HRX\ESL Valentines Day ESL Activities for Teens and Adults and young learners. Happy Valentine's Day.jpg[1].png]()Valentine’s Day is coming!! -** What better way to show your TEACHERS that you care than with school supplies and treats for their lounge. Our teachers have created a wish list of items they need.  Please give them to

your teacher(s) directly or drop them off in the lounge to share!

Tissue boxes, Disinfecting wipes, Hand wipes, Pencils, Erasers, Granola bars, Nuts, Coffee pods

**Words of Character**

**The word of the month for February is Teamwork.**

**Teacher Stipend Money** - The PTA just released $4000 for our teachers (or $200 per teacher) to use for their annual stipends!  This is a huge part of the PTAs budget and we are glad we can support our hard working teachers.  Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraiser efforts to date!

## Mark Your Calendar!

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| **Event** | **Description** | **Date** |
| **Family Movie Night** | **Enjoy a FREE movie! Purchase pizza slices, popcorn, candy and drinks for only $1 each.** | **Friday****January 29th @ 6pm** |
| **Stewart Talent Show** | **Start Practicing! Turn in a signed form to the office by *2/26*. Rehearsals will be after school on mostly Tuesdays and Thursdays *starting 3/15.***  | **Friday****April 22, 2016** |
| **Box Tops** | **Continue to turn in your Box Tops all year** | **Next submission:****March 1, 2016** |
| **PTA Meeting** | **Talent Show and Election Information** | **Tuesday****March 8 @ 6pm** |

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**Next PTA meeting – Tuesday 3/8**

 **PTA Elections** - PTA elections are coming soon!  We need you!  The election process will be explained at the March PTA meeting and the elections will be held at the April meeting.  All of the existing officers cannot continue in their positions so we need new volunteers to continue to have Movie Nights, the Talent Show, Snack Shack, Assemblies, and Teacher Stipends.  If you are interested in getting more information, come to the March 8 meeting!  Training for officers is available for FREE through the 32nd PTA District!

**PTA Memberships and Donations** - It's never too late to join the PTA. For only $10 a year your money supports Stewart events and children advocacy at the state and national PTA.

Have Ideas or just want to be a part of the Fundraising Committee? Would you like to volunteer at one of our events? Please contact Susyn at president@stewartpta.com if interested.

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