

Parent Group Meeting Notes
January 6, 2010

In Attendance: Celia, Christina, Janine, Michele, Kristen, Susan, Emily, Fanny and Joanie

- 1. Teacher In-service 1/13/10** – Lunch was provided by parents. Thanks to all who contributed to make it a lovely lunch for staff.
- 2. Literacy Night – February 3rd 6-8:30pm** - This is an important event for current parents and also good opportunity to invite prospective Village School families. Literacy Night allows parents to see the intentional reading and writing approach that TVS has developed for Pk-6th grade.
- 3. Open House – February 6th 10am-12pm** – Flyers are printed and should be posted by parents widely; we will need parents to sign up to attend and bake.
- 4. Recent Event Review** – Everyone was duly impressed by the **holiday celebration** and there were kudos for Jocelyn and her organization of the music and the level at which students performed. The Deans Beans Coffee Fundraiser has been doing well. It was decided that we would try and start the Holiday Coffee order earlier next year.
- 5. Box Tops for Education** – a volunteer is needed to coordinate this effort
- 6. Planning has begun for the Silent Auction in June** – the parent group has begun brainstorming idea for another raffle. Last year's grill raffle netted about \$800. All ideas welcome! Initial thoughts were another grill, or Red Sox tickets.

There are many ways for parents who cannot attend parent group meetings to become involved in the Auction and Pancake Breakfast. This is our biggest fundraiser for the school. Please let Rise know you would like to participate and she will connect you with the committee.

7. Jane Manning gave a presentation on how teachers work with our children around conflict resolution at TVS. It was decided that we would look into giving a workshop in the spring – perhaps by Betsey Evans who wrote the book, “*You Can't come to my Birthday Party*” – a must read on dealing with conflict.

Next Meeting: Wednesday February 3rd 2010 – this meeting will be devoted to the Auction and Pancake Breakfast in June 2010.

