

## Classroom Parent Guide

Classroom Parents play a vital role in maintaining the School-Home connection by providing information and updates to the parent community. They serve as the point person for parents who need class information and they help to ensure that every parent has the chance to participate and contribute to the success of our school community.

Classroom Parents help to:

- Facilitate communication from the teacher
- Coordinate parents for snack-signup, field trips, and other celebrations
- Post information and updates specific to the class on website, Google groups and on social media
- Support and build community among families, teachers, and students

## Helpful Tips for Classroom Parents

### In the Classroom

- **Establish Communication Process**

Create a class email list by working with the teacher to develop a sign-up sheet.

- **Gather the class wish list**

Work with the teacher to determine any items and supplies that the classroom teacher needs.

- **Keep Lines of Communication Open**

Be sure to meet with the teacher to get updates about upcoming classroom events.

### The PTA

- **Stay in the Know**

Attending PTA meetings allows classroom parents to learn about upcoming events.

- **Encourage participation**

Give families information about committees, events, & volunteer opportunities with the PTA.

- **Assist in Other Ways**

The PTA has a host of events throughout the year. Your participation is key to the success of these events!

Throughout the year, the PTA will host at least two meetings to check-in with all classroom parents about their responsibilities, answer any questions, and distribute useful resources to the team. This is a great opportunity to share information about best practices and to hear from other parents about how the school year is going.

Classroom parents serve in a supportive role to their classroom community. Should a parent come to you with a complex issue, please direct the parent to the appropriate staff member. The classroom teacher, principal, and school administration can ensure that the parent has the appropriate information.

For more information about becoming a classroom parent, please contact Simona at [sjansons@gmail.com](mailto:sjansons@gmail.com).