

**Welcome to the Kingston PTO web site**, one of our great achievements for 2009! Here you'll find information about all of our fundraisers, programs and events, with current updates and contact information included for all that's going on with the KPTO. Take some time to explore, and please feel free to comment if you have suggestions for something to add or change. For convenience, we've linked the websites for the schools, our Box Top coordinator, the Kingston Education Foundation, and other useful sites. We also have downloads for PTO expense forms and order forms for Notes to School. We hope you find this site informative and useful!

**Never participated in KPTO before?** The KPTO is the primary source for all things fun or "extra" at school - from field trips to speakers to entertainment to parties; we try to cover all bases to enrich the lives of every KIS/KES student. Our primary method of doing this is through fundraising, which we do in a variety of ways. There's never a need to participate in EVERY fundraiser, but your participation in one or two can mean all the difference. KPTO is completely run by volunteers and all funds raised go directly back to the schools.

**Interested, and wondering how to participate?** Come to a meeting, bake some cookies, help decorate for a party.... find whatever way to get involved that fits with your schedule and time constraints. The rewards are many - you'll be "in the know" about what's going on at school, you'll teach your children what it means to give back to the community, you'll meet new friends, and you'll help create a lot of fun in the school life of your child or children!

**Don't have time to get involved?** As a busy parent, I can understand that too. The most important thing you can do is pay attention to the correspondence that comes home with your child, and "talk it up" with your friends. You'll find easy ways to help, like clipping Box Tops, that take no time and bring great rewards.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with a question or comment. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!

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KPTO President, 2009-2010