

## **BOOK FAIR COMMITTEE**

The PA Book Fair has two purposes:

1. To give ECE through Middle School students, and teachers and parents, the opportunity to purchase new books by award-winning and popular authors, and illustrators for young readers
2. To raise funds which are used to bring in a visiting author once a year. The author spends one or two days at MKIS show-casing their work and interacting with the students and teachers.

**When:** The Book Fair takes place twice a year in October and March/April.

**How:** The Book Fair is held in the library. Information about the fair is sent out in the weeks prior to the event through the Link and by email. Closer to the date, posters are set up around the school.

The fair runs for two full days, with an additional half day prior to the event needed to unpack, price and set up books for sale. Volunteers are needed to set up and sell books, and to help the students with book choices. The amount of time spent helping is entirely up to the volunteers themselves. It can be anything from 1 hour to a full day – all effort is appreciated.

The books sold at the fair come from two sources; Scholastic, and book warehouse sales. Books from Scholastic are ordered from catalogues prior to the fairs. In between the two fairs, the committee will look for book warehouse sales or other good offers on books. We need as many hands and eyes as possible, either to help us buy books, or let us know where there is a sale going on.

**Meeting routines:** The chairperson(s) will call the committee for a meeting 3-4 weeks beforehand to arrange a schedule for helping out during the two days of the fair and the day before, when books are put out for display and marked according to the price list. From that meeting and until the fair, contact is mainly maintained via email.

### **Ideas from YOU:**

1. Whether or not you are a member of the committee, we can use help. If you know of somewhere we can get our hands on very reasonably priced books please let us know!
2. We are very open to suggestions. If you have a series of books or an author you would like to recommend please email us (see below for contact details).

### **Quotes:**

"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

- Dr. Seuss

"Nothing is too high for a man to reach, but he must climb with care and confidence."

- Hans Christian Andersen

"The man who does not read good books is no better than the man who can't."

- Mark Twain

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