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### Our Sincere Gratitude

Family Fun Day was a great success! It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying themselves! We would like to especially thank Main Street Dental for their sponsorship of the event. Their presence and monetary contributions were such an integral part of the event's success. We would also like to thank those parents and teachers who volunteered their time. The profits from this event totaled \$5,000. All of your efforts made Family Fun Day a marvelous school event!!

### Shade Structure Grant for the Playground

Kaboom is offering ten grants of \$25,000 to build a shade structure for a playground in the US. Each school awarded the grant is required to raise \$10,000. We are reaching out to local businesses that are already pledging support. An ABE sun visor fundraiser is in motion for \$5 in support of the project and just in time for Field Day. PTA has also pledged financial support. The deadline for the grant was February 29<sup>th</sup>. Should Air Base be awarded a grant, the structure will be completed by December of this year. We know what an important role the playground has at the school, and we hope to be one of the recipients!

### Preschool Playground Equipment

We would like to thank our corporate sponsor, McKesson for their generous donation. Playground equipment for the preschool students was purchased, which included climbing equipment, toy trucks, slides, etc. The children are thoroughly enjoying themselves!!!

### Coffee and Conversation with Dr. Feldman

On Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> Dr. Larry Feldman, School Board Member will be at Air Base Elementary from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm for coffee and conversation in the Media Center. This is an opportunity for parents to ask questions, share concerns, and spend some time with Dr. Feldman. We are looking forward to having him here at Air Base!

### PTA Funds

Currently in the General Account there is \$9,848.08.

### Fundraising

The Scholastic Book Fair will be from Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. The profits from this event will go directly to the Media Center in order to purchase additional books for the students.

Yankee Candle Fundraiser will run from March 29<sup>th</sup> until April 10<sup>th</sup> with delivery to be prior to Mother's Day, which is May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mixed Bag Catalog Sales are set to be delivered when we return from Spring Break. The profits were approximately \$1,700.00.

### Accelerated Reader Incentives

The third quarter Accelerated Reader Incentive will be held after Spring Break. We look forward to supporting those students, who have met their AR reading goals!

### Earth Hour Celebration

On Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup> all students are being asked to wear their uniform black tops (either polo or t-shirt) as a reminder to have one hour without any electricity on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 pm. We look forward to celebrating the world wide Earth Hour as a family event centered on conservation of our earth's natural resources!

### Honor Rolls

Going forward, PTA will provide complementary coffee, juice and water at all Honor Rolls. This is our way of saying congratulations and thank you to the parents.

### Mock FCAT for Grades 3-5

On Wednesday and Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, students in grades 3-5 will be taking a practice FCAT exam in preparation for the actual test, which will be in mid April. We wish these students all the best!!!

*Read Across America Day is March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!!*