

SPARKY'S SCOOP

Sexton Mountain PTC Newsletter

FEBRUARY 14, 2025



Highlights for this week

- Love The Bus week is rescheduled to next week – February 17-21
- Red Robin Dining for Dollars – February 26
- IG Contest – Follow us by February 28 for a chance to win!
- We LOVE Our School Fundraiser – support literacy thru February 28
- Popcorn Fairies returns – sponsors needed for February 28
- crumbl cookie Dining for Dollars – March 12
- Reminders for staying healthy during cold weather months



Be Safe and Stay Warm!

We hope everyone is safely enjoying the winter weather! It will be an extra-long weekend with school cancellations this week, but there is still lots to look forward to in the coming weeks!

Read on for more great news from the SME PTC!

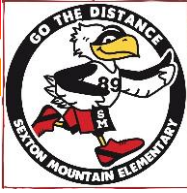
Upcoming Events

Feb 17	President's Day – No School
Feb 18	Staff Dev Workday – No School
Feb 26	Dining for Dollars – Red Robin
Feb 28	Popcorn Fairies
March 12	Dining for Dollars – crumbl
Mar 24-28	Spring Break – No School
April 17	STEAM Fair
April 24-25	Conferences – No School

PTC & SME Events Calendar

Add upcoming PTC events to your calendar.

Visit the [PTC Calendar](#) to find out more!



Help us Grow our Instagram followers!!

Please share the SME PTC page with other parents/caregivers of SME students to stay up-to-date on the latest happenings, events, volunteer opportunities & more.

We're giving away a **\$25 Safeway gift card** to one lucky follower of our SME PTC Instagram page. Contest is open to all followers with a current SME student. Contest closes February 28th, winner will be announced by March 4th.

Follow us - [SextonMountainPTC](#) - for the latest news & info related to the PTC.

Don't forget to also follow the official SME page - [SextonMountainBSD](#) - for updates from the school!

Volunteer Opportunities

There are a lot of great volunteer opportunities available to sign-up for!

Check out the latest opportunities in the [sign-ups feed](#) on ParentSquare, and watch for our Volunteer Updates in ParentSquare with links to open volunteer needs at the school.



Have you signed up to volunteer soon? Make check-in easy on yourself and download the Raptor Safe app! Check out the District's ParentSquare [announcement](#) for all the details about the adoption of this new technology to help keep our school, students, staff, and volunteers safe!



Winter Weather Health and Safety Reminders

It's that time of year, for coats, gloves, galoshes, hats... and germs! Along with making sure that your student knows to bundle up, now is also a great time to remind them about maintaining healthy habits. We thought we would mention a few to help you get the conversation started:

- Wear your cold weather gear, and only yours – besides the chance of forgetting who they loaned those special gloves or scarves to, your student could also be exposed to lice or other germs if they borrow others' hats, coats, and similar clothing.
- Use caution when walking outside – below freezing temperatures and precipitation are a recipe for falls and injuries.
- Practice good hygiene – wash your hands often, and use hand-sanitizer, especially before eating and when you've touched handrails, door handles, been outdoors, etc. Cough and sneeze into your elbow and stay home when you don't feel well.

Refer to the [District's website](#) for more guidance on health, wellness, and safety for students.

Dining for Dollars @ Red Robin February 26, All Day!

Red Robin Washington Square location is generously hosting another Dining for Dollars event for us all day on Wednesday, February 26th.

If you're ordering online, don't forget to follow the directions below.

When: Wednesday February 26, 2025, all day.

Where: Red Robin, [10110 SW Washington Square Rd., Portland, OR 97223](#)

Online orders: In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on the item, then add it to your bag to apply the fundraiser. Add your food selections and check-out.

In person: Show the flyer at the end of this Scoop or mention the fundraiser to your server.

Red Robin is donating 20% of orders back to Sexton Mountain, so grab a bud and some grub, and help raise funds for the school you love!

Thanks for supporting SME!



[Link to their menu](#)

Red Robin® will give

**20% OF FOOD SALES*
BACK TO**

**SEXTON MOUNTAIN
ELEMENTARY PTC**

Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to your server to have your sales counted.

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

10100 Sw Washington Square Rd., Portland, OR 97223
February 26, 2025*

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1 Start your order at [order.redrobin.com](#) and select the restaurant above.
- 2 In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3 Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4 Add your meal items and check out.
- 5 Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit [redrobin.com](#) and find this location to view hours. Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

Red Robin

Red Robin® donará el

**20% DE LAS VENTAS
DE COMIDA* A**

**SEXTON MOUNTAIN
ELEMENTARY PTC**

Muestre este folleto o mencione el evento a su servidor para que cuenten sus ventas.

DETALLES

10100 Sw Washington Square Rd., Portland, OR 97223
26 de febrero de 2025*

Si realiza un pedido en línea, siga estas instrucciones:

- 1 Comience su pedido en [order.redrobin.com](#) y seleccione el restaurante arriba.
- 2 En el menú, vaya a la categoría denominada "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" y haga clic.
- 3 Haga clic en el botón "add" y luego en "add to bag."
- 4 Agregue sus alimentos y compruébelo.
- 5 Llegue a Red Robin, deténgase en un punto de recogida y llame al número de teléfono que aparece en el cartel para que un miembro del equipo lleve su pedido a su automóvil. ¡O entra, saluda, toma tu comida y sigue tu camino!

*Recaudación de fondos durante el horario de funcionamiento del restaurante. Visite [redrobin.com](#) y busque esta ubicación para ver el horario. La donación se basa únicamente en todas las ventas netas elegibles de comida para llevar y para cenar. No incluye ventas de catering (en ubicaciones seleccionadas), sitios de pedidos y entregas de terceros, alcohol, tarjetas de regalo, venta minorista, impuestos y propinas. La oferta no será válida si el folleto se distribuye en el restaurante o cerca de él durante el día y el horario de recaudación de fondos.

Red Robin

Popcorn Fridays are Back!

The Fifth Grade Committee is thrilled to announce its latest fundraiser – Popcorn Fridays!!!

We are looking for Popcorn Fairies to sponsor each classroom – each sponsorship gets popcorn for the WHOLE class. We are hoping that EVERY classroom gets a sponsor, but we need YOUR help to accomplish that!

The first Popcorn Friday is scheduled for February 28th.

[Sign-ups are available](#) and there are many classrooms still needing a sponsor!

Please reach out to anuradha.vikram@gmail.com with any questions.



February is 'We LOVE Our School' month for Sexton Mountain!



Each year in February we ask that, if you are able, you consider donating to Sexton Mountain PTC to help fund special projects and requests from Sexton Mountain staff. This year, we'll be focused on providing literacy support, specifically high interest, engaging books - both fiction and non-fiction - for teachers and students to use in group learning.

100% of every dollar raised through February 28th will go directly toward the purchase of amazing books, and all donations are tax-deductible. You can help your donation dollars go even further by inquiring with your employer about company donation matches too!

Ways to Donate

- Venmo: @Sexton-MountainPTC
- PayPal or Credit Card: [SextonMountainPTC.org/payment](https://www.sextonmountainptc.org/payment)
- Check or Cash: Delivered or mailed to the school

Please include the following note on all donations:

"We Love Our School - [Child's Name/Teacher]"

Thank you for all you do to contribute to our healthy and vibrant community!!

If you have any questions, please reach out to fundraising@sextonmountainptc.org.

crumbl

School Fundraiser

Sexton Mountain Elementary PTC

Eligible sales In-Store, Curbside, Carry Out & Gift Cards. Not Eligible Catering or Delivery

Crumbl - Progress Ridge

14900 SW Barrows Rd. suite 104
Beaverton OR 97007

Wednesday, Mar. 12
3pm - 8pm



Dining for Dollars @ crumbl on March 13

crumbl Progress Ridge is hosting a Dining for Dollars event for us on Wednesday, March 13th.

Eligible sales include In-Store, Curbside, Carry Out & Gift Cards. Catering or Delivery sales will not be eligible for fundraising benefits.

When: Wednesday March 13, 2025, 3pm – 8pm

Where: crumbl [14900 SW Barrows Rd. suite 104 Beaverton OR 97007](#)

[Link to their menu](#)

More details will be coming soon!

PTC Quarterly Meeting Minutes

Our quarterly PTC meeting was held on Tuesday, January 28th. Meeting minutes are now available on our website.

Our next quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 27th. We hope to see you there!

Passport Club

Upcoming Quiz Dates

- Friday, March 21, 2025
- Friday, April 4, 2025
- Friday, April 11, 2025 (Make-up Day)
- Friday, May 4, 2025 (Final Quiz!)



Passport Club needs volunteers to run smoothly. We need volunteers to help quiz kids one Friday a month before school. This is a fun and easy (and short) way to volunteer with students in the school. No prior geography knowledge needed! If you are approved in Raptor, please [sign up in ParentSquare](#) to help out!

SRTS – Love the Bus Week

Sparky's Walking School Bus encourages kids to be active on their way to school while reducing pollution and traffic congestion in our area. Most importantly, walking to school alongside teachers, parents, and friends is a blast!



This week marks Love the Bus Week, a perfect occasion to express our gratitude to our wonderful leaders: Mr. Hayhurst, Ms. Martin, Ms. Holt, Ms. Dronkers, Ms. Ung, and Ms. Merek. Our Walking School Bus thrives thanks to their unwavering support!

Students are encouraged to make thank you cards or a poster to carry during our group walk on Thursday, February 20th. A simple thank you or a high-five can go a long way in showing our appreciation to these amazing teachers. Plus, **all students who participate in the Walking School Bus will receive a prize!** Let's embody our Sparky Spirit and energize our feet as we walk to school together. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Bike Bus – meets at 7:30am Wednesday at [Carolwood Park](#)

Walking School Bus – meets at 7:30am Thursday at [Walmart Parking Lot](#)



S.T.E.A.M. Fair – Thursday, April 17 5:30-7pm

It's "full steam ahead" for science and art at Sexton Mountain Elementary! This year the STEM Fair becomes the STEAM Fair and that means Art will be on full display alongside projects involving Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. This will be a great showcase for our students to show what they can do.

This is an opportunity to come together and show our pride in our students and school, so add it to your calendars and start thinking about fun projects that will help your kids learn about the subject they choose AND the process of completing a project.

Parents are more than welcome to help with projects and students can even work together to make it more fun. Look for more information coming soon, including how to get your free display boards.

A big THANK YOU to our generous donors who support SME!

Please frequent their business and let them know how much we appreciate their commitment to giving back to the communities where they work and live!

