



# Forest Avenue Bulletin

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## DATES TO REMEMBER:

### **Wednesday, November 9**

- Pomptonian Lunch – Chicken Nuggets

### **Thursday, November 10**

- No School – NJEA Convention

### **Friday, November 11**

- No School – NJEA Convention

### **Monday, November 14**

- SCA Lunch - Bagel

### **Tuesday, November 15**

- Pomptonian Lunch – Chicken Patty
- SCRIP delivery

### **Wednesday, November 16**

- Pomptonian Lunch – Popcorn Chicken

### **Thursday, November 17**

- No School – Pizza

### **Friday, November 18**

- No School – Cheeseburger

## Are You Ready for Turkey Day?

### Thanksgiving Activities

#### Food Drive

**Mrs. Petronico** and **Mrs. Wertz**, our school nurses are organizing our annual Thanksgiving food drive. Let's celebrate Thanksgiving with the gift of giving. We would like to prepare bags of groceries filled with nonperishable items. The bags will be delivered to the Verona Community Center and donated to Verona families who will appreciate them.

To help our children experience giving: donate suggested items below, give it to your child and ask them to place it on the table that is set up in front of the nurse's office. Everything is welcome. Small gift cards can be donated. Special goodies are a nice treat. Ex. themed paper products, special candies, jellies. All donations will be accepted now until **November 21<sup>st</sup>**.

#### Class Donation Suggestions

**Kindergarten** – popcorn, dry fruits, canned fruits, cereal  
**Grade 1** – canned vegetables, pasta sauces, macaroni, tuna

**Grade 2** – tin foil, baggies, plastic wraps, paper towels

**Grade 3** – sponges, soaps, shampoo, household cleaners

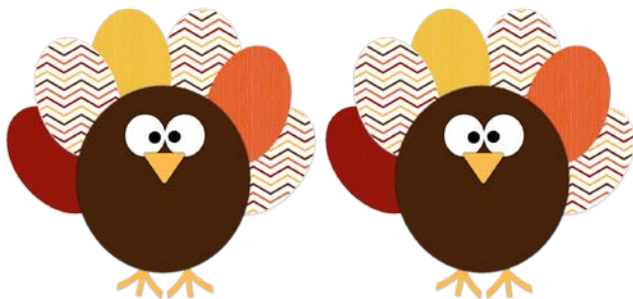
**Grade 4** – tea bags, instant coffee, cookies, crackers, box cakes



### Reminder Corner

✓ **SAVE THE DATE:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Thanksgiving Program will be held at 10:30am in the Gym on **Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

✓ School closed **November 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>** for the NJEA Convention.



### The Towne Scoop

Support Forest Avenue and while covering Thanksgiving dessert! See the attached order form; all order forms are due **Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**.

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## The Vote is IN!

On **Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Forest Ave students participated in a mock election. Organized by our new media specialist, **Mrs. Freda**, the children voted at a real working voting booth! And the winner is . . .Hillary Clinton won the mock Presidential election by a staggering 33% margin. (Clinton 146, Trump 70) Other voting results include: Students preferred a popular over an electoral voting system (98, 77). The favorite Essex Country attraction was the Turtle Back Zoo with the Verona Park the second favorite (131, 71). Carnival (51 votes) won just over Secret Shoppe (49 votes) as the favorite Forest Avenue activity. And Derek Jeter is the favorite star from New Jersey with 60 votes. Be sure to check out the article and pictures of our children voting at [www.myveronanj.com](http://www.myveronanj.com)



## **THANKS! XIEXIE! GRAZIE! MERCI!** Bake Sale and Tricky Tray Success

Our biggest success yet! We owe a huge thank you to all that made the election day fundraisers such a wonderful day.

Special Thanks to.....

Thank you to **Maura Gottstein** and the Bake Sale committee **Alexis Ambrosia, Teresa Boyd, Diane Orrei and Erika Grothues** who worked many hours in preparation and during our bake sale on Election Day. From morning snacks to afternoon lunch and even dinner, our tables were filled with eye pleasing goodies. Thanks to all of our many family bakers and local business donations!

Anticipating record voting, our basket raffle was a bar above excellent thanks to **Kara Conklin** and her committee. A special thanks to **Marissa Romanyshyn, Kim Nachbaur, Giselle Checchetto Craig Conklin, Colleen Gangl and Kristie Heimerle!** They spent lots of time soliciting businesses and collecting donations to make 56 beautiful baskets and 10 Grand Prize baskets! (Which they also wrapped and ticketed!) New to the basket raffle was a 50/50 raffle and it was a wonderful addition this year.

Thanks to **Karen Jandoli** for manning our sportswear table. Be sure to look for the next sportswear sale in the spring!

Last, but certainly not least, thank you to our families who donated items for our baskets. We couldn't do it without your generous donations: **Mrs. Varuolo; Conklin, Romanyshyn, Rizzi, Checchetto, Johnston, Jandoli, Ambrosio, Donohue, Powley, Gangl, Vecchio, Millar, McMahan.**

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Basket	WINNER
Hand painted Desk	Stephanie Cavallo
4th Grade - Summer Beach Theme	MaryEllen Grabowski
Kindergarten - Main Street Cottage	Andrea Zimany
1st Grade - Crayola	Linda Farley
2nd Grade - Mom's Day Out	Joe Cordasco
3rd Grade - Wine & Dine	Bryan Davis
Staff Basket	Maureen Raff
Lunch with Mr. Monacelli	Liz Giblin
4 Front Row Seats	Giselle Checchetto
Learning Express/ Minute Math/PJ's/ Bunchems	Janine Barboza
Xbox1 Games - set of 4	Cassandra Conklin
PS4 Games - set of 4	Diane Feury
Verona Eagles Membership	Kim Nachbaur
Somewhere in Time	Michelle Kiernan
Cirasella Bracelet	Stephanie Alioa
Rabbit / Wine carrier / Coasters	Jane Pagaelli
Terry's	Sheila Burghardt
Pizetta	Micheline Nesto
Hair Care & Products	Nina Sapienza
Gianni Hair Salon	Paula VonRosendale
Knitting Lessons	Mary Koellhofer
Dekko	Joann Theobold
Hardbodyz w/tshirt	Tamara Gesario
Verona Wear	Jessica Rosenblum
Main Street Cottage	Carolyn Petrucha
Cedar Grove Garden Center	Kelly Schwartz
The Room - Salon Products & Blowout	Kristen Millar
Salugo/ Arriane/specialty glasses	Giselle Checchetto
Takeout dinner around town & glasses	Lisa Loudon
Kenneth Cole	Doris LaStella
MAM	Colin Boyle
3 Massages at Verona Spine & Wellness	Craig Leotta
Curling Iron & Mane Place	Colleen Gangl
Kids Hair Cut	Mary Ciccotti

## Congratulations to our lucky prize winners:

VBSL Membership	Robyn Caruso
Big Buddha	Deana Aloia
Hillcrest	Barbara Kelly
Dynamic Speed and Fitness	Fred Bennett
Nail Art Combo	Jackie Schuldiner
Lego's	Stephanie Cavallo
Giants Phil Simms Mini Autographed Helmet	Dawn Lomanto
Quality Car Wash	Cheryl Mizia
Touchstone	Rick O'Connell
LuLa Ro	Donna DePalma
Lands End Christmas Bag	Mary Koellhofer
Dog Grooming around Town	Steve Sandler
Vera Bradley	Lisa Garrison
Academy Apparel	Mary Ciccotti
Bello Mens Salon	Linda Hoffman
Mini Basketball and Laundry Hoop	Gabby Steifbold
Men's Golf Apparel /Golf Balls	Diane Feury
Smith & Co Autum Sign	Carolyn Petrucha
Eight Hills Deli	Tamara Gesario
Count Basey Theater Tickets	Kendra Zalewski
Kay Luzzi Painting	Marrisa Romanayshyn
Kay Luzzi Painting	Natalie Brenhne
Grand Prize Baskets	
Michael Kohrs Tote Bag	Stephanie Aloia
Scoop/Face Painting/Invitations	Jessica Rosenbloom
Max Fitness	Gina Mariani
Scott Chesney Coach	Marissa Sperling
Case of Wine of choice	Lisa Garrison
Rangers Tickets	Kristen Millar
Jets Tickets	Kaleigh Cella
Knicks Tickets	Kristen Donohue
MAM	Tammy Rawding
Oprah Bag	Kara Conklin
50/50 Winner	Donna DePalma

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