

September 2009

Dear Shrevewood Families,

Happy September! I hope you were able to enjoy the slower summer pace and relax a little bit. Now that school is back in session, the PTA is gearing up for another busy year filled with many fun and exciting events.

The Shrevewood Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is an organization comprised of Shrevewood staff and parents that meets monthly. Together we find ways to support the school staff, provide cultural opportunities for the children, and plan fun social events, too.

The Shrevewood PTA sponsors only one fundraising sale during the year, the Innisbrook Gift Wrap Sale. Our sale starts September 18th and we ask you to help by participating. This is our MAJOR fundraiser and a HUGE source of funds for our PTA. Support of the sale means support for Shrevewood. Thanks to successful fundraising, the Shrevewood PTA is able to supplement your child's education in many ways. Last year the PTA purchased additional Smart Boards for classrooms and helped teachers purchase "wish list" items they needed to enhance their instruction. In addition, the PTA also brings several high-quality Cultural Arts assemblies to Shrevewood each school year to educate and entertain our students, it uses its funds for the RIF (Reading is Fundamental) program that supplies free books for students, and it provides funding for educational training for teachers and staff.

The first PTA meeting will take place at Back to School Night on September 21, at 7 p.m. This will be a great time to meet PTA officers and committee chairs, as well as to enroll as a PTA member, or to sign up to help out in school or with any number of upcoming events. The PTA is only successful with support from parents; please consider taking an active role this year. Families new to Shrevewood are especially encouraged to join us and see what the PTA is all about.

The meeting dates for the 2009-2010 school year are:

October 13	March 9
November 10	April 13
December 8	May 11
January 12	June 8
February 9	

All meetings take place at 7:30 in the school library. Please join us! We hope that your child's school year is off to a great start and that you'll join us soon.

Also – mark your calendars for our annual Halloween Party on October 24<sup>th</sup> ...too much fun to miss!!!

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