# PES PTO 2009 Fundraiser

Dear PES Parents,

Four years ago, we made the decision to ask for Direct Donations versus catalog sales to fund our PTO Operating Budget. It doesn't burden our children and their families and friends, and 100% of the money we raise goes directly to PES. Each year we have raised over $12,000. Our PES PTO is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization, so all donations are tax deductible. Your financial support and commitment will benefit all of our children, and will continue to maintain our wonderful programs at PES!

**Where Does The Money Go?**

Last year **$7,200 went to teacher grants** (including technological improvements in the classrooms, books for our children and indoor/outdoor recess games and equipment); $**2,600 went to our visiting Author/Illustrator Program**, and **$3,300 went to Cultural Enrichment Programs** (*Song, Dance and The Possibilities*, Brazilian Dancers and Drummers, a puppet Storyteller who focused on self-esteem, *The Magic of Communication*, and Daisy the Pig for our Kindergarteners!)

**Matching Gift Programs**

You can double or triple your donation by filling out a simple form. Many companies like IBM and Kimberly Clark have matching gift programs. Information should be available in your Human Resources Department. Company Matching Gift forms should be mailed to PES, 607 Main Street South, Caller Box 871, Southbury, CT 06488, Attn: Marni Baggett, PTO Treasurer. Contact Marni @ tabmlb@charter.net if you have any questions regarding Matching Gift Programs.

Our Direct Donation Fundraiser begins Monday, September 14th and runs through Friday, September 25th. No amount is too large or too small, and donation amounts will be kept confidential. ***THANK YOU*** for your continued support of our PES children and our PTO programs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Christine Zink at: 267-5508
Christine Zink, Chrissy Schenk & Karen Harper
*Fall Fundraiser Chairs*

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1. Please complete this form (one form may be used per family).
2. **Make checks payable to PES PTO.** Cash donations also accepted.
3. Place completed form and donation in an envelope marked **"PES Fundraiser".**
4. Return envelope to school through your child's homeroom teacher or by mail.
5. **Please return at your earliest convenience. Deadline is Friday, September 25, 2009.**

Contributor's Name:_____

Address:_____

Phone: _____

Donation Amount ____$25 ____$50 ____$100 ____ $250____ $500 ____other

Student's Name(s):_____

Grade(s)/Teachers(s):_____