

Dear Atwater Parents,

At September's Parent/Teacher Meeting (P.T.B.) ideas were discussed for this year's fundraisers. These fundraisers are critical to our school and your child – as they help provide added equipment and activities for the students and teachers. Last year the P.T.B. was able to provide over \$5000.00 of support to the school and purchased items such as student incentives, classroom pizza parties, student-of-the-month lunches during the months of January through April and of course the biggie of the year...the Annual Atwater Fun Day Event and Cookout in May.

At the monthly P.T.B. meetings, parents and teachers decide the most appropriate use of the raised funds. We encourage all parents to attend these monthly meetings to have a voice about your child's school experience, education and activities. The meetings last about an hour and are very casual. Any and all discussions are open for everyone.

In the past, we have had one catalog fundraiser per year but this year we would like to try something different. We would like to have several small fundraisers and encourage more student education and involvement in those activities and less "selling."

Our kick-off event is going to be a Walk-A-Thon. This activity will begin on Monday, October 22nd and end on Friday, November 16th. The students can start collecting pledges now for how many laps they can walk around the school using the pledge form on the back of this letter. Sponsors can designate a specific pledge amount per lap or they can make a flat rate pledge. After the Walk-A-Thon is over, students will collect the pledges based on the laps they completed. **The top class in each grade level will win a class pizza party.**

Please support your child and encourage them to collect pledges. This is a great opportunity to teach the children about the importance of exercise as well as the ways in which their hard work can benefit their school. This should be a fun activity for all students.

Thank you,
Atwater Parent / Teacher Organization

Save The Date...The next P.T.B. meeting will be held on Thursday, October 25th at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!