





Basket Silent Auction - for Fun Fair on

May 31, 2018

Home & School FUNdraiser

This year, for Fun Fair, we are planning a Silent Auction with a difference!!!

Our goal is to have each classroom provide a themed Basket for the auction. Each classroom will be assigned a theme and items will be collected from April 10 - 20. H&S is asking parents to donate an appropriate item for the basket.

Each basket/classroom will have a theme. Themes include: Sports Basket, Spa-tacular, Best Sellers, Cookies, Games, Coffee, Summer Time fun, Grilling.

We kindly request that each Balaclava family consider donating a suitable item to their child's classroom themed basket. Some suggestions for your child's basket can be found on the attached sheet. We have also attached a list of all the basket themes for your information. We look to each family for their support in making this a fun family evening and a successful fundraiser.

Teacher/Grade:	
Theme:	

Thank you for your continued support to all the H&S Fundraising efforts.

See reverse for Q & A

Q&A

Q: What is a Silent Auction?

A: An auction is like a sale--you will have a chance to buy items that have been donated by parents, teachers, and local companies. You have a chance of buying the item by making a bid, that is, you offer an amount of money that you would be willing to pay. Another person may come by and want the same item so he/she may offer more money, making a higher bid. At the end of the auction, the person with the highest bid goes home with the item.

Q: What will the fundraising monies be used for?

A: H&S has been contributing to numerous needs for our school, most recently, the Robotics competition. The money raised from this venture will be used to facilitate purchase of a sofa set for the Kindergarten classrooms, assist with funding for the Outdoor Leadership experience for Grades 7 and 8 and assist with improving access to technology in the classrooms.

Q: How does the Auction work?

A: On Thursday May 31, the auction opens at 4:45 p.m. at the school. Auction items will be displayed on tables. There will be a bid sheet next to each item. When you see an item you want, write your name and phone number down on the bid sheet and how much money you are bidding. Each silent auction bid must be written on the blank line available on the bid sheet. If someone else has already made a bid, you may add your name to the list and make a HIGHER bid. You will need to check the bid sheets frequently and increase your bid for the items that you want. Each item has a minimum starting bid and bids must be made in whole dollar amounts. Bidding is open from 4:45-8:00 p.m. Starting at 7:15p.m., the silent auction will close in sections every 15 min. and no further bids can be made. Five minutes prior to the closing, an announcement will be made. The bid sheets will be collected as we prepare for checkout. You will need to return to the auction desk to see if you were the highest bidder. The highest bidder will pay at the cashier (checks or cash, NO CREDIT CARDS) and collect their item. YOU MUST PAY FOR AND COLLECT YOUR ITEM BEFORE 8:15 P.M. PLEASE DO NOT GO HOME BEFORE YOU HAVE PAID FOR AND COLLECTED YOUR ITEM. We ask that children do NOT make bids!

Q: What are some ideas for each theme?

A: Have fun picking out what you would want to see in the baskets. There is a list of suggestions for each basket that you can use. Your kid(s) could also help with ideas!! If none of these work for you – a gift card is always a good option!

Q: How will the parents know which basket came from their child's classroom? A: H&S will label all baskets with the teacher's name, grade and theme listed.

Q: Who do I contact should I have any further questions?

A: H&S recognize there may be clarifying questions. Please contact the lead organizer, Vidya Dath at <u>vidya.mdath@gmail.com</u> or call/text 905-928-4905.