

Friends of Metropolitan Newsletter

School Year 2018/2019: Volume 2

Dear Friends of Metropolitan Member,

Spring is in the air, the days are getting longer, and the sun is peeking its head out from behind the winter clouds. The months seem to be flying by. Spring Break is almost here and we want to let you know about some important upcoming events that we hope you will attend:

- **Tuesday, 14th May: Annual All-Members Meeting, 18.30**
- **Saturday, 25th May: International Day, 11:00 – 15:00**

Below is a summary of all of the fundraising and “friendraising” activities and efforts that the committee has worked on this school year. On behalf of the Friends of MSF Board, I would like to thank you for your contribution of time and funds to make our efforts a success.

We wish you a wonderful Spring Break and look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events!

Kind regards,

Sheri Burtnick
President, Friends of MSF

All Members Annual Meeting & Wine & Cheese Night



Tuesday, 14th May at 18:30

Secondary School Library

We will be holding our next annual meeting for all members and interested parents on 14th May. Your valued input helps direct the committee towards projects and events, initiated by your feedback. It is an important night as we will be voting on the position of President and Treasurer. In addition, we will discuss what projects members would like to see focused on for the 2019/2020 school year. Once the meeting is finished please stay and enjoy some nibbles and some Wine and Cheese. We would love to see you there! [Please RSVP here.](#)

Speedy Survey

Your feedback is greatly appreciated to help us plan future events and focus our efforts on specific projects, to meet the needs and wishes of the MSF community. Please take 5 minutes (Really!) of your time to fill [out this online survey](#). Thank-you!!



We would like to welcome new families to the Friends of Metropolitan. It is great to have you join our growing membership. Thank-you for your support!



Want to have fun? Want to put a smile on someone's face? Have a bit of free time? We would love to have you join the committee. We are looking for people to help bring creative ideas to help raise funds and build-up our MSF community

If you are interested in getting involved please contact Sheri at the Friends email address: friendsofmsf@msf.education

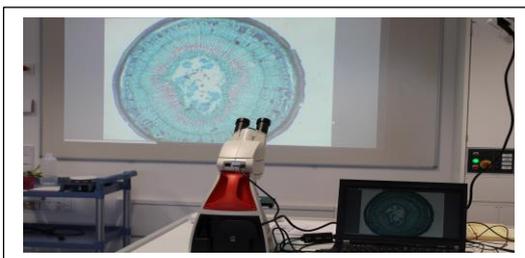
Bee Bots for Early Years

We are extremely excited to let you know we have been able to acquire equipment we told you about at the beginning of the year. In the Early Years, Bee Bot robots have been brought in for the children to learn basic commands and programming. They have started to use them and are very excited at what they can do to make them buzz around the classroom. In addition, special projectors called Beamers have also been set up. Have a look...



Microscope Cameras for Secondary Science Labs

And in the Secondary Science Lab, specialized cameras have been put in place to magnify what students see under their microscopes. The science Department Head, Ms. Santandrea sent a message saying *“ Now students are capable to search for the object of the observation, once they know what to look for and the teacher has pointed on the board. A huge improvement for the science department and a great tool to support students. Thank you so much to all the Friends of Metropolitan and parents for this important addition.”*



We are proud to attain the goal of raising enough funds to aide and enhance learning in the classroom and our students' education. Your membership is significant and we would like to sincerely thank all our members for your generous support and donations!!

Update from Autumn Bazaar

Our first annual Friends Autumn Bazaar was held in November 2018. The sun was shining and there was a great atmosphere in the sports hall. We had a great turnout of vendors and shoppers. It was quite successful raising approximately €1.000! We would like to thank all of those who came out to support and contribute to the success of this event. It was an added bonus that leftover donations of toys, books and clothes were then taken back to the Rödelheim Kinderheim. So it was a win-win for all!!



International Day Needs Your Help!

On Saturday, 25th May, the MSF community will come together to celebrate diversity and the different cuisines and cultures represented at MSF. It is also a major fundraising event for the school, where proceeds go to important projects at MSF – this year towards purchasing new technology for the Early Years, Primary School and Secondary School classrooms.

The event is organised entirely by MSF parent volunteers in cooperation with MSF staff, and **its success depends on YOU!** Please help us make this another great event by volunteering in any way possible by [signing up here](#) to help out where volunteers are needed – food, drinks, games, sports, set up, etc. – the choice is yours.

Give just an hour of your time to help make the event a success – Thank you!

Thank You!

The Board has been going through some changes lately. First of all, we would like to say a big thank-you to Birgit Stumpf. She held the position of secretary over the last few years and did an amazing job keeping the committee organized. We wish her all the very best.

Taking her place is An-Yu Fenkes. She is a parent of a grade nine student and we are very lucky to have her join the committee, bringing much enthusiasm and creativity.

As well, this year we will say good bye to a long-standing committee member, Paula Possmann. It has been a pleasure working together with Paula and her heart-warming ways. She has dedicated the last five years helping to enhance the school, from classroom to playground, as well as foster a community spirit among MSF families. We thank her for her generosity and endless commitment to Friends.

The Friends of Metropolitan Board

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