

**Thompson Middle School  
PFA Meeting**

**March 7, 2016**

**Call to order:** 9:20 am

**Welcome**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Principal's report**

Mr. Kirkpatrick announced the students of the month. He read a very nice biography of the student, presented them with a plaque and photos were taken. The students of the month respectively are:

**February 2016**

6<sup>th</sup> grade – Caroline DeRosa

7<sup>th</sup> grade – Ty Hashemi

8<sup>th</sup> grade – Nicole Guglielmi

PARCC Schedule for 2016 is as follows

Language arts – April 20, 21, 22

Math - April 25, 26, 27

Science - May 25 (*For 8<sup>th</sup> graders only; the Science portion is still administered by NJASK*)

There will be a 2015 PARCC score presentation on March 22, 2016 @ 6:00-7:30 @ Middletown High School North

Middletown has chosen Level 4 as their benchmark for success. The PARCC Levels of achievement are as follows:

Level 1	Not meeting grade level expectations
Level 2	Partially meeting grade level expectations
Level 3	Approaching grade level expectations
Level 4	meeting grade level expectations
Level 5	exceeding grade level expectations

Thompson Middle school exceeded state percentages on all grade levels in both math and language arts. On the Thompson website there is a PARCC sample parent report and a video link to help understand your child's score.

This year, a student may not opt out with a letter sent in by a parent or with a phone call. If your child does not take the PARCC test this year it will be logged as a refusal to take the exam. We are encouraging all students to participate.

PARCC may be used to determine honors placement in the future.

-8th grade promotion ceremony date will be posted within a week.

Aladdin Jr. Matinee performance will be on March 22 @ 3pm

Aladdin Jr. Evening performance will be March 23 @ 7pm

### **Treasurer's report**

Please contact Melissa Orlando @ mesoto1237@aol.com if you have any questions concerning the treasurer's report.

### **Corresponding Secretary**

We will finalize the 2016-2017 Corresponding secretary position at our April 11, 2016 meeting.

### **President/Vice President reports**

The new curtain was installed on the stage in the gym. A reminder that the PFA pays for many of the perks our children enjoy such as the High Honor Roll breakfast (quarters 1, 2 & 3) and the student of the month plaques.

**Next meeting**            April 11, 2016 9:15 am

**Meeting Adjourned** 10:00 am

### **Dates to remember:**

3/18/16            Hoops for Heart

3/22/16            NJ Scores Parent Presentation 6:00-7:30 MHS North

3/25/ - 4/1/16    Spring Break

4/11/16            Thompson PFA meeting – 9:15 am