## 2015-2016 4/5 Treehouse Class Trip to Washington, DC



Developmental Research School at the University of Florida

The 4/5 Learning Community is in the process of fundraising for their visit to Washington, D.C. in the spring. Some of us moms thought it might be nice if one of our fundraisers could not only help our own learning community kids have their special trip to our nation's capitol, but also do some good in our local area.

As some of you know, one of our PKY students started out the year with a diagnosis of cancer (Hodgkin's Lymphoma). At UF Health Shands Children's Hospital where she and many other children are hospitalized and treated, there is a special program called Arts In Medicine. One component of this program provides art therapy that is being used with children, adolescents, and their families to support the medical healing process. Even the most compassionate care can be traumatic for patients and families. Art therapy is a way for people staying in the hospital to express, process, communicate or just release how they feel about the healthcare experience.

For this fundraiser, we are asking for donations of \$5 to help

- 1) the PKY 4/5 community go to DC (50%, what most of our fundraisers earn for us),
- 2) the Arts in Medicine Art Therapy Program (25%) with specific supplies on their wish list so that they can continue to provide bedside and small group therapy using drawing, painting, sculpting, collage, and digital media as tools to help:



- Process feelings about a new diagnosis,
- Cope with a long-term hospital stay,
- Help patients participate in and cooperate with their treatment,
- Rebuild self-esteem
- Help manage pain from a condition or procedure
- Support groups of patients with similar diagnosis
- Support siblings and family members in caring for their loved one in the hospital
- And more!

And, 3) support our own PKY student (25%).

As a thank you, our donors of \$5 will receive a "believe in miracles" purple silicone bracelet to help show support for Mazzy and the many children in our community going through medical care at this time.

We are hoping to get 600 \$5 donations over the next week. Donations of \$5 to this special fundraiser are being accepted as <u>cash only</u>. Students will be allowed to check out <u>four</u> bracelets. The remainder of the bracelets will be sold the week after Thanksgiving at the Scholastic Book Fair. Thank you for your generous support for our PKY and extended community families!

TURN IN ALL DONATIONS AND UNSOLD BRACELETS BY: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>

## **Triple Play Fundraiser**

A PKY 4th and 5th Grade Fundraiser

## Triple Play Wristband Checkout permission Slip

Dear Parents,

As we continue to fundraise for the 2015-2016 trip to Washington, DC, we would like to try a fundraisers that could not only help our own learning community kids have their special trip to our nation's capitol, but also do some good in our local area.

We are taking \$5 donations that will help our 4/5 Learning Community go to Washington DC, the Arts In Medicine Art Therapy program at UF Health Shands Children's Hospital, and our own PKY student going through treatment for Hodgkin's Lymphoma this fall. As a thank you for a \$5 donation, we are distributing a "believe in miracles" purple silicone bracelet to help show support for Mazzy and the many children in our community going through medical care at UF Health Shands Children's Hospital.

In order to participate, we need you to fill out this permission slip and return one to school in order to receive 4 bracelets to use as thank you's for \$5 donations.

## Here are the steps:

- 1) <u>Check out</u> 4 silicone thank you bracelets by filling out and returning the permission slip to school no later than <u>Monday</u>, <u>Nov. 16</u><sup>th</sup>. Each donation <u>of \$5</u> will entitle the donor to a bracelet. *Thank you bracelets are only for donations of \$5*. <u>CASH ONLY. NO CHECKS</u>. Money MUST then be returned to school by Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- 2) Ask PKY students, family, and friends if they would like to donate \$5 for this special fundraiser
- 3) Return the donation money (\$5 for each bracelet/\$20 total for the four bracelets checked out) must be returned to school by Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> along with any unsold bracelets.
  PLEASE BE SURE TO TURN YOUR MONEY IN (and any unsold bracelets) IN THE ORIGINAL PLASTIC BAG THAT THE BRACELETS CAME HOME TO YOU IN AND THAT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS ON THE BAG so we can track it properly!

AND, NO COIN CHANGE PLEASE! Parent volunteers will be counting the money daily. It will take too long to count pennies, nickels, dimes... Please take all change and turn it into bills before turning the money in for the amount you are turning in along with any left over wristbands.

THANK YOU!!! We appreciate your time and help with this special fundraiser!

Check-out Information	
Student Name:	Advisory Teacher:
Parent Signature:	Phone #:
YES, four (4) bracelets may com	ne home with my child for this special fundraiser.

YES, four (4) bracelets may come home with my child for this special fundraiser.

We will return \$20 cash (\$5 for each bracelet) along with any unsold bracelets

by Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>