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Welcome to Armstrong!

We hope this handbook will give new students and their families information not always covered in other publications. The PTA encourages parents to ask questions of their Room Mothers and PTA Board Members (list enclosed). The contact names of the PTA New Families Committee are on that list. It is their job to make your transition to Armstrong as smooth as possible. Please contact them at any time with questions or concerns.

We know that a new school can be a challenging experience not just for the student, but for the entire family. We will do anything we can to help make Armstrong a great experience for all of you.

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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ARMSTRONG

ATHLETICS/PARK CITIES YMCA

The Park Cities YMCA located at 6000 Preston Road offers sports and social programs to the youth of our community. Most students participate in YMCA sports during their school years. Soccer and baseball are offered in all grades including kindergarten. Basketball, volleyball and football are offered in the upper elementary grades. Other programs include track, swimming, gymnastics, karate, and ballet among others. YMCA Guides and YMCA Princesses are offered for kindergarten, first and second grade boys and girls, and their fathers. Armstrong physical education teachers also have information on sports programs offered through the YMCA. In addition, the YMCA has a full scale fitness facility and exercise classes for adults. Please contact the Park Cities YMCA for additional information at 214-526-7293. You may also visit them at http://www.pcymca.org

BIRTHDAY BOOK PROGRAM

This program is designed to enable the school to add books to the Armstrong Library. A check for $20.00 will purchase a new book, your child will select during the month of his or her birthday. Summer birthdays will be recognized during the spring. Sign-up forms for Birthday Books are included in On-Line Registration and throughout the year by contacting the librarian, Lori Riley.

CAFETERIA

The Armstrong cafeteria serves delicious, well-balanced meals. Kindergarteners and First Graders are given the choice of a hot or cold lunch while older students have a great deal of freedom in making selections. Meat, vegetables, salads, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, fruits, milk, juices, and ice creams are available each day. Each class is allotted 30 minutes for lunch. Ask your teacher for your student's designated lunch time. 15 minutes after the beginning of the lunch period, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade students are allowed to purchase ice cream for dessert. Students with food allergies should sit in the designated "Allergy Aware Area" of the table assigned to their class; students with any food that may cause an allergic reaction must sit at the other table assigned to the class.

Parents are invited to eat lunch with their student in the cafeteria. Parents should meet their student in the cafeteria when the class arrives, not in the classroom. They may sit at the designated visitor tables inside the cafeteria or outside on the patio. Unfortunately, there is not room at the class table, and parents may only eat with their own child, not with any of their child's friends.

In addition, the Armstrong PTA operates and staffs the cafeteria with volunteer cashiers and servers (parents, grandparents, etc.) each day. Please look for contact information on your PTA Board list to volunteer!

A daily menu and price list can be found on the website at http://armstrong.hpisd.org , are published twice a year, and are sent home the first week of school and in the first Friday Folder after the Christmas holidays. Parents are urged to go over the menu with children and to help them plan their lunches.

The Armstrong PTA will be using the "Dine Rite" payment system for purchasing food. This automated system will allow parents to set up a pre-paid account for their child's lunch purchases. Information and instructions to set up this account will be mailed to you. Payments may be deposited by giving a check

made out to "Armstrong Cafeteria" to Cafeteria Manager Jeannette Volpe or parents may make deposits using a credit card online at http://parents.dineritedrx.com. Information and registration can be found at the same website. Our school ID is hpsarms. Your student may also use cash daily if you prefer.

CARPOOL GUIDELINES

Carpool lanes are established for A.M. drop-off and P.M. pick-up on Cornell and St. John's. The queuing lane is the curb closest to the school, parking is the curb farthest from school, and the middle lane is for traffic flow *only*. Use the queuing lane, or pull over to a legal curb for your child to exit on the *sidewalk* side of the car. Cars in the middle lane must yield to cars trying to exit the queue lane. Drivers should stop at the front space in the carpool lane and not leave space for other cars to pull in front.

Afternoon pick-up locations are designated as follows:
Kindergarten
Corner of Cornell and St. Johns, southwest corner of the school, **pickup on Cornell *only***
2:20pm – 2:40pm

First Grade
Corner of St. Johns and Byron, northeast corner of the school, **pickup on St. Johns**
2:50pm – 3:10pm

Second Grade
Corner of Cornell and St. Johns, southwest corner of the school, **pickup on Cornell *only***
2:50pm – 3:10pm

Third Grade
Corner of Cornell and Byron, front entrance, **pickup on Cornell**
3:05pm – 3:25pm

Fourth Grade
Corner of St. Johns and Byron, northeast corner of the school, **pickup on St. Johns**
3:05pm – 3:25pm

There is to be **absolutely no parking, idling, loading, or unloading in the middle traffic lanes, yellow curbed areas, or at the designated crosswalks.**

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

The Thursday before school starts you can meet our teacher and see class rosters at "Find Your Place in the Eagle's Nest" from 5 – 6 p.m. If you can not attend, teacher and room assignments are posted on the front door on Cornell Avenue near the corner of Byron Avenue and Cornell Avenue. Teacher and room assignments are also available by logging into your Skyward Family Access account.

School begins at the usual time on the first day (please see page 1 for school hours) - although many students arrive early that day. There will be guides stationed throughout the school to assist youyou're your child in finding his or her teacher's room. School supplies will be distributed to the students (They are usually in each classroom.). A bill for these supplies will be included with On-Line Registration.

FRIDAY FOLDERS

Each Friday your child will bring home a green Friday Folder with important Armstrong and school district information as well as correspondence and parent communication from the classroom teacher. We encourage you to look through this carefully each weekend. Most information will be sent home with only one child in the family, typically, the oldest when several children attend Armstrong from the same family. This promotes utilizing our resources wisely as well as helping parents with "paper clutter." Parents who subscribe will also receive a weekly email newsletter with important school events and dates sent from the office on Mondays. You may subscribe to the weekly email newsletter through myhponline at Online Registration.

GIFTED STUDENTS (TAG PROGRAM – EXPLORATIONS and MATH)

The TAG program serves gifted students in accordance with state mandates. Students meeting district-developed criteria, including standardized test results, are invited to participate in this program. Students participating in the program spend some time out of their regular classroom with the TAG teacher and class. Information and testing for the TAG program takes place in January for entrance into the program for the following year. Parents must submit an application for their child to be tested by the December deadline.

MEDIA CENTER/LIBRARY

The Armstrong Media Center is available to students through classroom visits, as well as before and after school, from 7:50 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Not only does the Media Center act as a traditional library with books and reading-related activities, but it also has CD-ROM materials and e-Books. A student can check out two books at a time; books are due after one week. Parents may also check out books for their children (or themselves!) Students are reminded through notices in their take-home folder if they have overdue books. Volunteer opportunities are available in the library.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION

Armstrong parents must complete On-Line Registration, which will include enrollment information and invoices for school supplies, joining the PTA, purchasing a school directory and birthday book, as well as opportunities for charitable contributions related to the school, and opportunities to volunteer for service in various capacities at Armstrong. Registration will be held August 9-17, 2012. The Help Desk (214-780-4040) will be available 9am-4pm every weekday during OLR. Watch for a bright pink envelope containing your individual password. If On-Line access is unavailable to you, please contact the office to make arrangements for a registration terminal. This web site will also contain information about district-wide policies and procedures. Any information not provided during On-Line Registration will be sent home in the regular Friday Folder. The web site address is www.hpisd.org for Highland Park ISD.

OUTREACH PROGRAM/COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Armstrong PTA is committed to engaging our children in caring for the greater community in which they live. Donation drives are strictly voluntary and take place before the holiday break. More information will come from the classroom representative who volunteers to coordinate the classroom effort. Volunteers may sign up in the classroom during Meet the Teacher night. Other community service projects are sponsored by the PAWS 4th grade service and leadership group throughout the year.

PUBLICATIONS AND MEDIA

Channel 16 HPISD has a public access television station, Channel 16, which is available on the Park Cities cable television system. Information about school events and community activities is broadcast 24 hours a day.

Directory The PTA publishes the Armstrong Directory with class rosters, lists of families, school calendar, lists of faculty and staff, volunteer worker schedules and policies and procedures specific to Armstrong. **The directories are distributed in the early fall to each family that purchases one or more during online registration.** Copies are $15 each and may later by purchased from the Eagle Store….get an extra one to keep in your car!

Eagle News The front office electronically publishes a weekly newsletter called the **Eagle News**, which is sent each Monday. It contains information relating to school events as well as extracurricular activities, reminders of volunteer commitments and news about Armstrong families. Please contact the school office to place items in the newsletter. Articles can be submitted by e-mail. Take time to read the **Eagle News** so you will stay informed on what's happening at Armstrong and in the community.

Memory Book The Memory Book is a yearbook with all of the student class pictures, as well as candid shots taken throughout the year. The book is published at the end of each school year. Order forms for the Memory Book are on the On-Line Registration. Parents are encouraged to take pictures throughout the year at class parties, events and school functions and submit them to the Memory Book Coordinators (see your PTA Board list for contacts).

Newspapers The local newspapers often carry news about Armstrong activities. They are the Park Cities People, the Park Cities News and the NeighborsGo section of the Dallas Morning News.

SCOT DOLLARS

Scot Dollars are gift cards from various vendors that are used like cash. The HPISD Education Foundation purchases Scot Dollars in bulk at a discount. The Foundation then sells them to Armstrong families for face value and the difference comes back to Armstrong.

Scot Dollars are sold at Armstrong every Tuesday and Friday morning from 7:45-8:15. They may also be purchased at the Foundation 8:00-5:00, every school day. Standing Orders can be made as well and will be delivered to your house on a monthly basis. More information can be found at www.hpef.org/scot_dollars.

SCOUTS

Brownies, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts all have active troops at our school. For more information, please contact the school office, or look for information on the community bulletin board.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special education and related services are specifically designed instructional services mandated by the state to support students with disabilities within the general curriculum. The intent of the support services is to enable all students with disabilities to make progress in the general curriculum, to participate in extracurricular and nonacademic activities, and to be educated and participate with peers in the public school system.

SPIRIT ITEMS

The PTA sells Armstrong spirit items, such as T-shirts, shorts, and caps, featuring the Armstrong logo. These items are available in the Student Store everyday from 7:45 – 8:00 a.m. They will also be on display and available for sale at the New Families Coffee in the fall, at "Meet the Teacher" Night, and also online at www.eaglestore.org. Flyers are also put into the Friday Folder on occasion and items are available through the Spirit Item Co-Chairmen.

STUDENT STORE

The Student Store (formally the Supply Room) is located on the first floor next to the clinic. It is stocked with a variety of supplies requested by students and teachers. Every effort is made to keep prices reasonable. The Student Store is open every morning from 7:45 to 8:00 a.m. **Please note that all necessary school supplies requested by your teacher are distributed to all students on the first day of school.** You may purchase these supplies during On-Line Registration.

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ATTENDANCE POLICIES

ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES FOR ILLNESS:

Do not send your child to school if any of these symptoms or signs are present within the previous 24 hours:

- Elevated temperature (100 degrees Fahrenheit or greater)
- Acute cold, sore throat or persistent cough
- Vomiting, nausea or severe abdominal pain
- Repeated diarrhea
- Purulent discharge (anything other than clear discharge) from the nose or eyes resulting from contagious condition
- Red, inflamed or discharging eyes (conjunctivitis)
- Suspected scabies, impetigo, acute skin rashes or eruptions, any skin lesion in the weeping stage or any other infectious childhood condition

There will be times when it is difficult to tell when your child is too ill to go to school. Sometimes there is the worry that he or she will miss important schoolwork. Like adults, children have different tolerances for discomfort and illness. Even with a common cold, some are able to function fine while others are miserable. If your child is coughing continuously, he or she won't be able to concentrate, and will disrupt others in the class. A day of rest at home combined with lots of fluids speeds recovery. If you decide to send your child to school when he or she is on the "borderline" of being ill, it is a good idea to call the school nurse or send a note to the teacher. Be sure to let the school know where you can be contacted in case your child's condition worsens.

If your child complains of headaches, stomach aches, or frequently does not feel well it is wise to mention this to your doctor. Also, it is not uncommon for children to have physical complaints when they are anxious about a test or an event, or even when they have the realization that staying at home brings a little extra attention.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

For general HPISD health and wellness policies go to:
http://www.hpisd.org/ board policies. You can enter a specific key word.

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AND TARDIES

Regular school attendance is essential for a student to make the most of his or her education—to benefit from teacher-led and school activities, to build each day's learning on the previous day's, and to grow as an individual. Absences from class may result in serious disruption of a student's mastery of the instructional materials; therefore, the student and parent should make every effort to avoid unnecessary absences.

In addition, students are expected to be on time for class each morning. Tardies also result in missing important learning, and are disruptive for the classroom and for the student's full participation in learning activities. Students who arrive after the 8:00am start of school must sign in at the front office to receive a

tardy note to be admitted to class. Excessive tardies may result in disciplinary action.

State law requires students to attend 90% of the days class is offered in order to receive credit and be eligible for promotion to the next grade level. If a student's absences (both excused and unexcused) exceed 10%, the student and parent may be called before an Attendance Appeals Committee. The committee may grant credit if extenuating circumstances contributed to excessive absences.

Parents should notify the classroom teacher or the office whenever a student must be absent from school. Please call or email the office, or bring a note to the office upon the student's return to school. The notice should state the reason for the absence.

In addition, whenever a student must leave during the school day for a medical appointment, parents must supply a note from the doctor's office upon the student's return to school.

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GROUPS AND ASSOCIATIONS AT ARMSTRONG

THE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Armstrong PTA meets three times during the school year - September, February and May. These meetings are held in the Armstrong Auditorium, beginning at 8:15 a.m. Parents are invited to attend these meetings. It is a great way to meet other parents and learn more about Armstrong. During the meetings, activities are planned to supplement the school's academic schedule, funds are appropriated to enhance the school budget, and ways to make the school year the most pleasurable for our students are discussed.

We urge you to join the PTA. A membership form will be a part of your On-Line Registration. It is $35.00 for the year and includes one Armstrong Directory, which will be distributed in early fall.

Armstrong's PTA operates both the Cafeteria and the Eagle Store in cooperation with Highland Park Independent School District (HPISD), in addition to supplying volunteers to the Teachers' Workroom and the Library/Media Center. This unique involvement is evidence of the strong tradition of parent participation at Armstrong and throughout the entire school district.

ARMSTRONG-BRADFIELD PRESCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The Armstrong-Bradfield Preschool Association (ABPA) welcomes into its membership all parents living in the Armstrong and Bradfield school districts who have children kindergarten age and younger. They focus on presenting programs that promote training in parenthood and family living and on the healthy development of preschool aged children. They accomplish their mission by providing quality speakers at general meetings, children's parties in the fall and spring, playgroups, social functions for parents, community service projects, and a December fundraiser "Homes for the Holidays" that benefits the Armstrong and Bradfield schools.

This group provides many opportunities for parents of preschoolers to get to know other parents and their families. They have five general meetings on Wednesdays during the school year from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. at members' homes in the district. These meetings consist of a social/refreshment time, committee reports and a guest speaker. Meeting dates, locations and contact information are on an insert sheet with this handbook. That information will also appear on the Armstrong calendar in the school directory, and at www.armstrongbradfield.com. Nursery care is available for meetings. Become a member by going to www.armstrongbradfield.com.

DADS CLUB

The Armstrong Dads Club holds two breakfast meetings a year for dads only, at 7:15 a.m. in the Armstrong cafeteria. In addition, a father/son and a father/daughter breakfast are held each year. The events that include children are each divided into two groups by grade levels, to make the size of the groups more manageable. Dates are on the calendar in the school directory, and reminders are sent home in the Friday Folders. Membership is open to all interested fathers through sign-up during on-line registration. The Dads Club helps with the spring Carnival, raises money to supplement our school's budget, and takes on a campus improvement project.

EVENTS AT ARMSTRONG

FIND YOUR PLACE IN THE EAGLE'S NEST

This event marks the return to school and is held on the Thursday before school starts. Class lists will be posted and students and parents will have an opportunity to meet classroom teachers.

AUCTION PARTY

An online silent auction and also a live auction party will be held in November to raise money for Armstrong. Items to bid on include trips, sports items and tickets, gift certificates and most importantly, custom-made class gifts and the Teacher's Gifts of Time. The Auction is a fun event and a chance to meet and see other parents while supporting Armstrong. The date, time and location of the auction are on the PTA calendar.

ALL- SCHOOL PICNIC

Armstrong's annual Harvest Gathering takes place the Friday before Thanksgiving. Armstrong families and friends never miss an opportunity to celebrate just how thankful we are for our wonderful school.

BICYCLE RODEO

The Bicycle Rodeo takes place during the month of October in conjunction with Safety Week. Children in all grades participate by riding their bikes, roller blades, or scooters and learning safety techniques. Each child who participates will receive a certificate, although participation is voluntary. The rodeo is geared toward building children's confidence and teaching them to make good decisions while riding through the neighborhood streets.

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is a sale of children's books to benefit the Armstrong Media Center. One Book Fair is held each year, in the fall just after Thanksgiving. Books are for sale before and during school. You are encouraged to visit the Fair with your child. The children also visit the Fair with their individual classes. There is a family night where the book fair is open until 7:00 p.m.

SCIENCE FAIR

Armstrong 3rd and4th graders can participate in our school's Science Fair which is held in January. Children can partner with someone or submit an individual project. Informational packets will be distributed to all 3rd and 4th graders weeks prior to event. Prizes are given for participation and distinguished projects.

CARNIVAL

The Armstrong Carnival is a fun fundraising project for the school. It is held in April on the school grounds. The carnival features games, prizes, concessions, entertainment, a cakewalk and a raffle. It is great fun for the whole family! Tickets are sold in advance and also on the day of the Carnival. Raffle tickets are sold in advance to the students at school and through the Friday Folder. Funds raised by the Carnival provide the many 'extras' for the school. The Carnival is always a fun event, and many parents get involved on various committees to help. See the PTA Roster for contacts and let your Room Parent know you want to help.

CLASS PARTIES

December Holiday and Valentine's Day class parties are held before winter vacation, and on or near Valentine's Day, respectively. Room Parents and other class volunteers help with these events. Remember to take pictures and submit them to the Memory Book Coordinators.

FIELD DAY

Field Day is a spring event where the students compete in fun and easy relays. At Armstrong it is traditionally held on the last day of school. Classrooms within each grade compete, and all of the students are involved. Many parents come to assist and cheer on their children. Contact the Field Day Coordinators to sign up to help or let your Room Parent know you are interested.

"GRAND-FRIENDS" DAY

Grandparents and special guests of our students are invited to enjoy a morning or afternoon with their grandchildren or children at Armstrong. Each grade and class will be assigned a specific time to visit on this special day. This event is usually held in the spring around the Easter Holiday. Your child will bring home a reminder or invitation that he or she has prepared.

OPEN HOUSES

There are two Open Houses at Armstrong, one in the fall called **Curriculum Night, for parents only,** and the second in the spring when the entire family is invited to attend. Curriculum Night is generally used as an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, receive information on curriculum, classroom and grade level expectations and upcoming class events. In addition, parents can volunteer to assist with events and activities for their child's class. Look for sign-up sheets in the classroom. At the Spring Open House, which the students usually attend with their parents, the students have an opportunity to show you the special work that they have done during the school year. It is followed by a family picnic dinner.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Parent volunteers are very important to Armstrong. There are a great many ways in which to get involved. If you have a special interest or talent, and are able to help, please contact any PTA Board member and let her know. We always welcome new ideas!

Several of the volunteer jobs are filled in the spring for the following fall. However, many volunteers are still needed and recruited for many committees through On-Line Registration and the Friday Folders. As mentioned earlier, Curriculum Night is usually a time when teachers or Room Parents have sign-up sheets available for activities. In addition, there are openings throughout the year, and substitutes are always needed in every area. Volunteering is an excellent way to become involved in your child's education, as well as meeting parents of other Armstrong students.

SIGN-UP FOR THE FOLLOWING AREAS IS AVAILABLE THROUGH ON-LINE REGISTRATION AND/OR FORMS IN THE CLASSROOMS (ASK YOUR ROOM PARENT.)

ARTS DISPLAY

Volunteers in this program help the art teacher with special projects during school hours. Also, they display student artwork throughout the school and assist with the creation of their class auction item. Look for Sign-Up on the Room Parents sheet and on the web site.

CAFETERIA

Servers - Servers staff the cafeteria from 10:45 to 1:00. The servers do not prepare the food, but serve portions from stations along the serving line or snack bar. Servers volunteer for a set day of the month (1st Monday, or 3rd Friday, for example) You can sign up during On-Line Registration for cafeteria serving positions.

Cashiers - The Cashiers total the cost of a student's meal and take payment at the end of the line. This job has become very simple with the automated "Dine-Rite" system. They are also responsible for preparing the daily deposit at the end of their shift. Cashiers volunteer in the spring for the next fall and are trained before school starts. They work monthly shifts from 10:45 to 1:00 and you can sign up during On-Line Registration.

Note: Parents can volunteer as a server one day and a cashier another, or for positions more than once a month.

Substitutes - Volunteers are solicited to substitute for cafeteria servers on an as-needed basis. If a set monthly commitment is difficult for you, but you would like to serve in the cafeteria from time to time, the substitute's job may be of interest to you.

CARNIVAL

There is a large standing committee for this event. Jobs range from set-up and take-down, to decorating, working the booths, selling tickets, and cleaning up at the end of the day. In addition, there are committees for T-shirts, publicity, games, and prizes, among others. This is really a fun way to get to know other parents. Each class has a spring Carnival Room Parent who recruits volunteers to work the class booth. Contact the PTA Carnival Chairs if you are interested in helping in any other area.

FIELD DAY

Volunteers are needed to work field games, serve refreshments, lead teams, and monitor events. The Field Day Chairs recruit these volunteers in the spring. The event lasts either throughout the morning or throughout the afternoon, depending on the grade level. Field Day is held on the last school day.

HOSPITALITY

This committee is responsible for two faculty parties, one before school starts and the other at Christmas. This committee also handles any retirement parties and provides the refreshments at the PTA meetings and the New Student Round-Up in February.

MEDIA CENTER/LIBRARY

Shifts are two hours long and Media Chairs will try their best to coordinate your day/time slot to correspond with when your child will be visiting the library with their class. These volunteers are asked to work one day a month for two hours, either in the morning or afternoon. The volunteer helps students check books in and out, reshelf returned books, and help the Librarian with various other duties.

MEMORY BOOK

The Memory Book committee will compile the yearbook, which is distributed in the spring. If you get any great pictures of Armstrong students at different events, please submit them to the Memory Book Committee. They would be so happy to receive them.

NEW FAMILIES

This committee is responsible for welcoming new families to our school throughout the year. Members serve as guides on the first day of school. A coffee is given in the fall shortly after school begins for all new families. As new families move in during the year, individual committee members call on them.

OUTREACH/COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteers are needed to help organize the Outreach program in each classroom. Additional volunteers are needed to help with sorting, organization and delivery of the donated goods to the Child Protective Services. Sign-up on the Room Parents' sheet or on the web site.

ROOM PARENTS

These parents help organize parties and field trips throughout the year, as well as recruit volunteers to work for the class on Field Day and at the Carnival. Many additional parents are needed to help with the parties or on Field Trips. Volunteers for Room Parent sign up on the web site and are then contacted by their child's teacher.

SAFETY

This committee handles all the activities connected with safety month such as a school Safety Assembly and the Bicycle Rodeo. Also, they thank all the crossing guards with small gifts or notes.

INNISBROOK CATALOG SALES

Volunteers are needed to help collect and tally order packets for their child's classroom for our annual gift wrap and merchandise sale in September. This is a concentrated commitment for a two to three week period of time. Volunteers may sign up during online registration or on the signup sheet in the classrooms during Curriculum Night. Watch for information in the Friday Folder.

STUDENT STORE

These volunteers work once a month from 7:45 to 8:00 a.m. They sell school supplies and spirit items to the students. Because of the hours, this may be a good service alternative for working parents.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

This committee plans various activities and a luncheon to say thanks to our teachers. Each grade will host a luncheon, organized by the Co-Chairs and designated hosts. Donations are welcomed for gifts, raffles, decorations, etc.

TEACHERS' WORKROOM

These volunteers work one day a month, for two hours (they choose the time). They work in the Teachers' Workroom located on the second floor, helping the teachers with cutting, copying, laminating and other various tasks. This is a good way to get to know the Armstrong teachers, and because of the flexibility of the hours, may be a good service alternative for working parents.

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