



PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION



Dear A. Fantis Families,

One month of school down! September flew by in a blur of new routines, smiling faces, and plenty of excitement around school! Our kids are settled in, teachers are in full swing, and we're now right in the heart of October, one of our favorite months of the year!

Get ready for all things Fall and festive, from Halloween celebrations to spirit days, family events, and community gatherings. There's so much to look forward to, and we can't wait to share it all with you. Keep an eye on your inbox for updates and details on how to join the fun and make this season extra special for our students.

There are always opportunities to get involved, whether by lending a hand at events or sharing your ideas and [talents](#). You can stay up to date through the [School Calendar](#) and the [PTO Linktree](#), and connect with us at any time at pto@afantis.org

Warmly,

Your PTO Board

Save the Dates

- ☐ **Thu, Oct 16:** [Pastries with Parents](#) for G5-8, 7:45am-8:30am
- ☐ **Fri, Oct 17:** Fantis Founders Day - Dress Down - Fantis Colors
- ☐ **Tue, Oct 21:** Early Dismissal; [Shake Shack Day!](#)

- ☐ **Thu, Oct 23:** G3-8 Oxi Day Performance, 5:30pm - [PTO Best Seat Auction](#)
- ☐ **Fri, Oct 24:** [Goya \(G7-8\) Night at Brooklyn Nets Home Opener](#)
- ☐ **Sat, Oct 25:** [Cathedral Pumpkin Patch](#)
- ☐ **Fri, Oct 31:** Halloween - [Contribute](#) and [volunteer!](#)
- ☐ **Mon-Tue, Nov 3-4:** School Closed
- ☐ **Wed, Nov 5:** Winter Uniform Starts
- ☐ **Wed, Nov 5:** PTO Monthly Meeting, 8:30pm
- ☐ **Tue, Nov 11:** School Closed
- ☐ **Fri, Nov 14:** G1-8 English Spelling Bee, 8am
- ☐ **Fri, Nov 14:** G3-4 Family Night, 6-8pm - more info to come!
- ☐ **Tue, Nov 18:** PTO Buddy Day Breakfast
- ☐ **Thu, Nov 20:** Pre-K/UPK Fall Show, 8:30am
- ☐ **Sat, Nov 22:** [Konstantinos Argiros Concert](#)
- ☐ **Wed, Nov 26:** Early Dismissal
- ☐ **Thu-Fri, Nov 27-28:** School Closed, Thanksgiving Break



Halloween Spooktacular

One of our favorite holidays of the year is almost here! On Fri, Oct 31, A. Fantis students, from PK3-8th grade, are invited to come dressed in their favorite costume for a day of fun, including games, activities, and dancing! Starting at 8:30am with a schoolwide parade around the block, parents are invited to stay after dropoff to witness the most adorable procession of the year.

Interested in taking part in the Halloween preparations and Friday fun? Please consider [contributing to supplies & decorations](#) and sign up [here to volunteer](#).

Next Tuesday is Shake Shack Day for Fantis

Mark your calendars (and your appetites): Next Tuesday (Oct 21) is early dismissal and **Shake Shake Day**, which means that every order using code DONATE in Downtown Brooklyn Shake Shack will send 25% back to the PTO. The fundraiser runs all day and applies to dine-in, app orders, and delivery. Anyone with the code can participate - families, staff, alumni, and friends! [Spread the word!](#)



Oxi Day Auction - Grab Your Seats!

Get ahead and secure your spot to watch your kid perform at the annual Oxi Day show for grades 3-8 on Thu, Oct 23. The auction for front-row seats is open until 2pm on the day of the event and we have only eight pairs available. Don't wait, start your bidding [here](#)!

Parent Spotlight - Vikki Rozakis



This October, we are shining a light on Vikki Rozakis, one of our very own PTO members, Fantis alum, and mom to Sofia (G4) and Rafael (G2). As the Sr. Events Manager at [Westville Foods](#) for the past 13 years, Vikki has graciously offered Westville's delicious catering for many Fantis events. During this month, Westville is offering "Kids Eat Free" every Tuesday at any location (dine-in only, with the purchase of an adult entrée).

It's the perfect excuse to take a night off from cooking and support one of our favorite local businesses connected to our Fantis family!



Konstantinos Argiros Concert – Last Tickets!

Dozens of Fantis families have already secured their seats for the **Konstantinos Argiros concert** on **Sat, Nov 22** at 8pm at Barclays Center - and now fewer than 30 tickets remain! Our \$50 tickets in Section 214 are cheaper than Ticketmaster and one of the last ways to get into this nearly sold-out show. It is a great deal for an unforgettable evening. Proceeds will benefit the PTO's support of Cathedral initiatives.

[Purchase your tickets here](#)

Support Fantis with RaiseRight

This fall, let your everyday spending do double duty! With **RaiseRight**, every gift card you buy - whether it's for morning coffee, weekly groceries, or gas - earns money for A. Fantis. It's the easiest way to support our teachers and students without spending anything extra.

Setting it up takes just a minute:

- 1) Visit RaiseRight.com/Enroll
- 2) Enter the code **6KPJTVYVYN9X** to link to **A. Fantis**
- 3) Download the app and start shopping!

Tip: Use RaiseRight gift cards when buying items from teacher wish lists or classroom economy supplies - you'll give back twice in one purchase!

More Ways to Shop, Save & Support Fantis

Did you know you can **save money and support A. Fantis at the same time**? Our yearlong fundraisers make it easy: shop exclusive discounts, and a portion of every purchase goes right back to our school programs.

- **Mabel's Labels:** Durable name labels for gear and clothes. Search our school at www.mabelslabels.com and save on replacing lost items. 20% of all purchases support the PTO.
- **Minted:** Get 20% off cards, gifts & more with code FUNDRAISEAFANTIS while Fantis earns 10% back! Go to www.minted.com.
- **Squadlocker:** Show off your school pride. Our [Squadlocker](#) Spirit gear is always available, and every order helps fund PTO initiatives.
- **Shoott:** Use [our special link](#) to book your photo session, and a portion comes right back to A. Fantis.
- **Box Top\$:** Buy the brands you already love and earn \$5 for A. Fantis. Learn how to earn using this [link](#) and browse all participating brands [here](#).

In Case You Missed It

Here are some of the PTO initiatives from the past month! Look out for our emails, Bloomz posts (including albums & the [October's PTO Meeting notes](#)), and the **PTO Corner** in the *This Week at Fantis* newsletter for the latest updates and opportunities to get involved.



Pre-K-G2 Book Reading - On Oct 10, local author Heather Sanderson visited A. Fantis to share her debut book, *The Dog Who Wanted to Be a Butterfly*, with our little ones. After an adorable Q&A, students (and a few grown-ups!) drew pictures inspired by their own dreams. It was a truly heartwarming event, with parents thanking us for such a special end of the week!

Frost Valley Trip - The PTO helped send off our Frost Valley campers with plenty of energy and care, providing breakfast for chaperones & snacks and water bottles for all students and volunteers. It was a small gesture to make the early morning departure a little easier and ensure everyone started the trip fueled and ready for adventure!



Pastries with Parents K-G4 - Our second Pastries with Parents on Sept 30 drew a wonderful crowd, filling the Church Hall for coffee, sweets, and plenty of conversation. We look forward to wrapping up this series with our **G5-8 event on Thu, Oct 16, at 7:45-8:30am**. Please [sign up to help with setup and cleanup](#).



Welcome Back Social - On what seems like a distant Sept 19, our community got together for our busiest Social ever. With kids entertained, parents were free to dine, toast and relax on a beautiful, warm evening. Congrats to the 50/50 raffle winner, Ethel Coffinas (G4 parent), who got \$695, and thanks [Westville](#) for the delicious dinner. Cheers to more events like this!
