

# Who is the PTA?

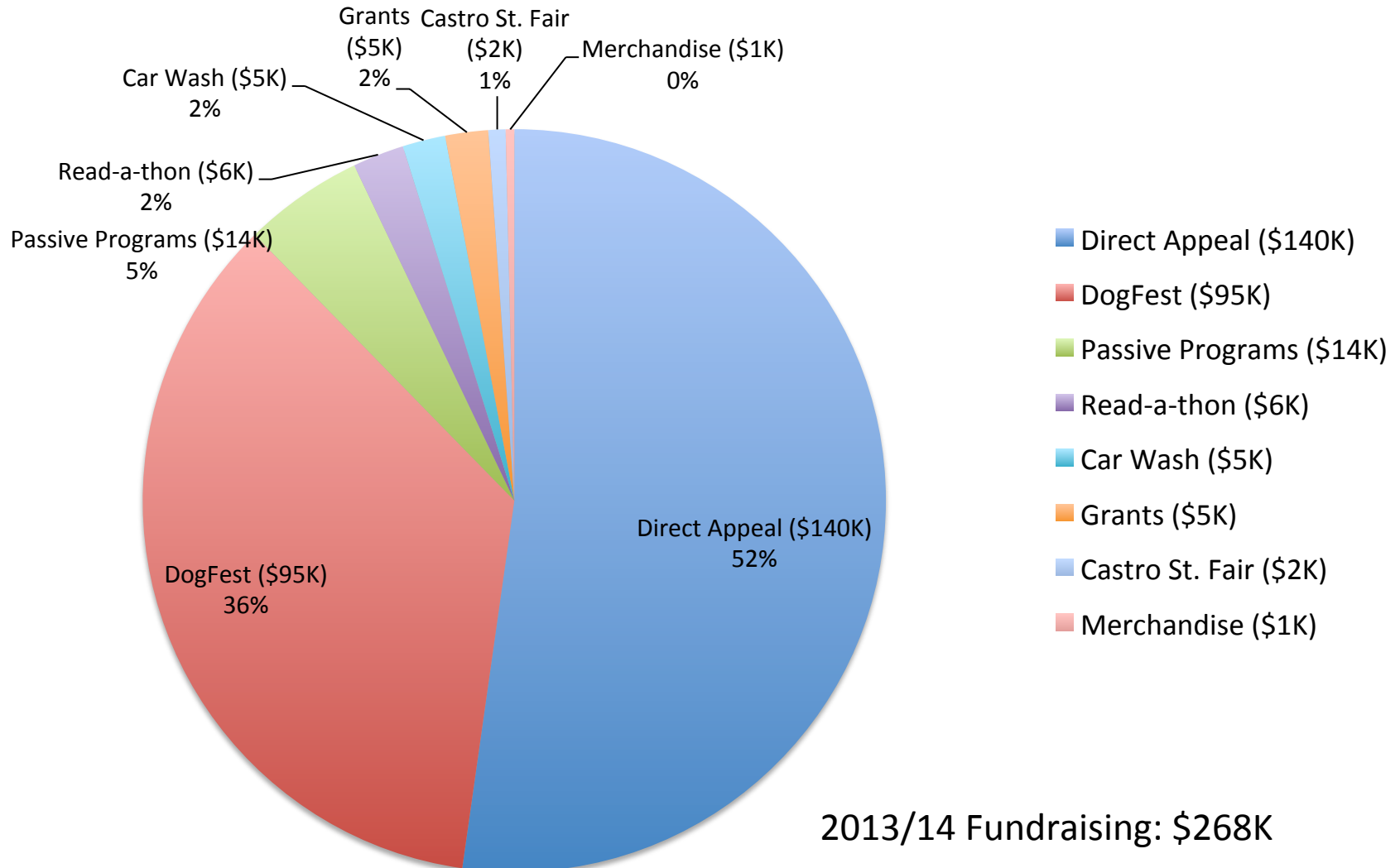
- You and me, we and us.
- It's anyone who pays their \$4 to the CA PTA (including our dear grandmas). If you don't have \$4 for the CA PTA, the PTA has a fund for that.
- It's the board that you, me, we and us elected.
- But the board can't do anything without the express permission of you, me, we and us.
- So the PTA decisions are OUR decisions.

# What does the PTA do?

- We raise money to help pay for school programs.
- We also are charged with fostering community at MCK. How do we do that?
  - Coffee Klatch, Back to School night, SSC community meeting, support the Mosaic, Hospitality and Recruiting committees, Black History Month events, Chinese New Year Parade, Author day, United Nations days, Junior Olympics, HarvestFest. Middle School Preview Night. Phew.

Speaking of money,  
You and me and we and us  
raised \$268,000 last year  
to support our PTA-funded  
programs!!

# That's a LOT of scratch!

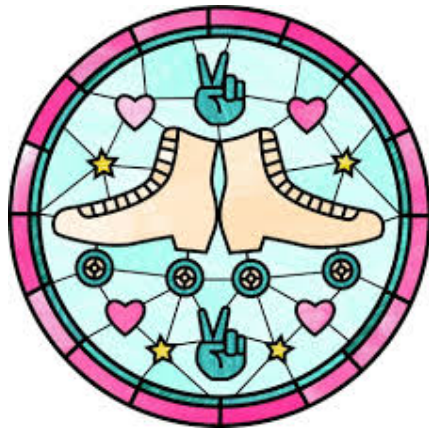


How do we get all of that



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# We run some amazing programs!



And other organizations help...

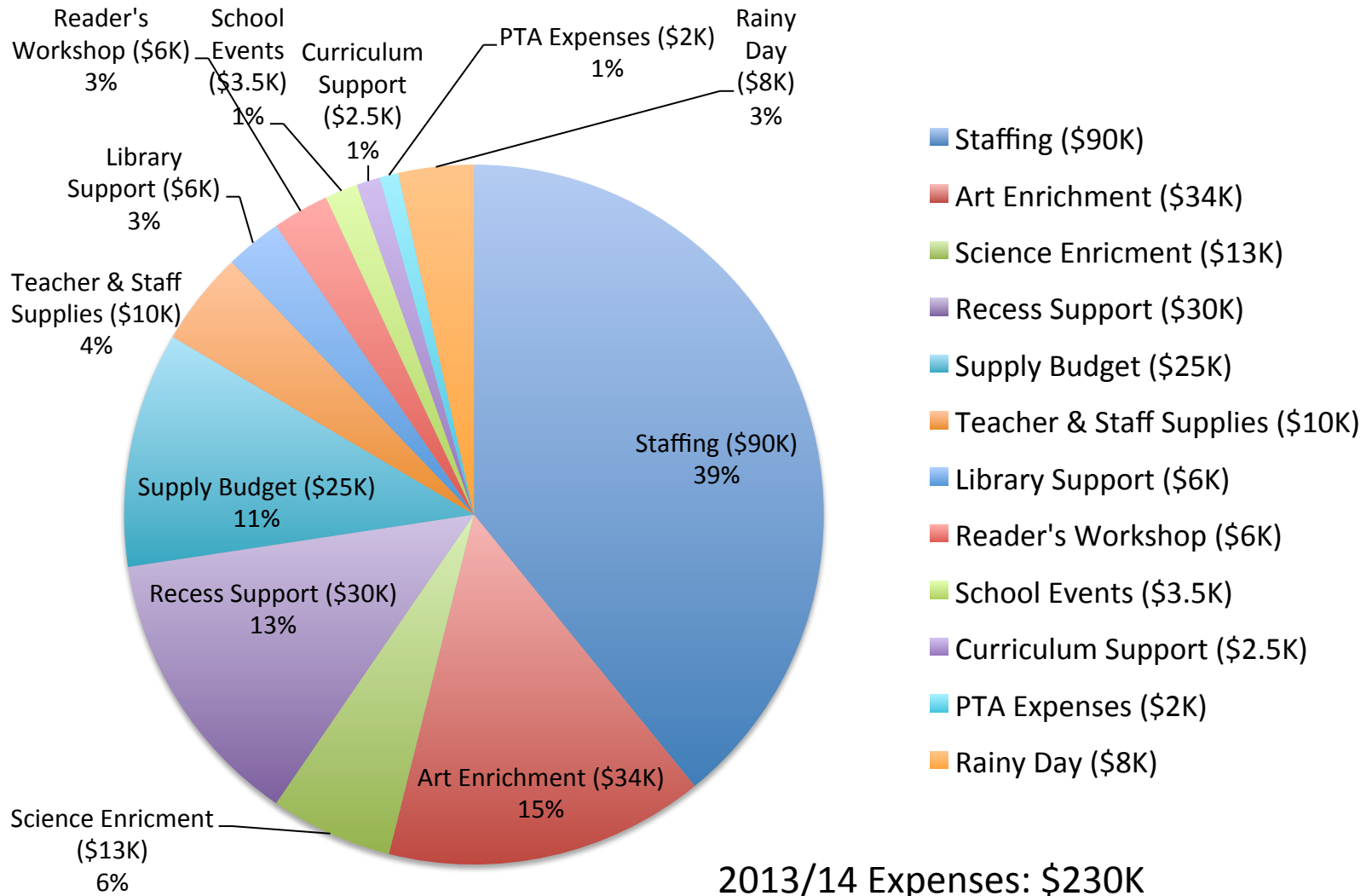


# So Mck can:

- Pay for a FULL TIME Student Advisor
- Pay for a FULL TIME Class Size Reduction Teacher
- Pay for a FULL TIME Literacy & Resource Specialist
- Support Arts & Science Programs
- Support the Lunchtime Wellness Program
- Support Reader's Workshop Implementation
- Help Teachers out with supplies!



# And, before you know it, it's gone....



So now, you must take your place in  
the Circle of Life



# And take a stand for McK!

- Give time:
  - DogFest ([dogfest@mckinleyschool.org](mailto:dogfest@mckinleyschool.org))
  - Volunteer at upcoming events and in the classroom ([volunteer@mckinleyschool.org](mailto:volunteer@mckinleyschool.org))
- Give dough:
  - Direct Appeal is still taking donations! ([fundraising@mckinleyschool.org](mailto:fundraising@mckinleyschool.org))
  - Dine out for McK, shop through the Amazon link & with our shopping partners

# What does a Student Advisor Do?

- Remember when Johnny pushed Jackie on the yard?
- And then Jackie pushed Johnny back two days later because she was still mad?
- Ms. Raye (our Student Advisor and a Saint in regular people clothes) can help!
- She deals with all kinds of conflicts – how to fix them, how to avoid them and how to make sure our school remains a respectful, happy and calm place where all students can learn safely.

# What does a Class Size Reduction (CSR) Teacher Do?

- K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade: 22 students per class.
  - Per SFUSD
- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade: 33 students per class.
  - Per SFUSD
- That's a lot of kids in one classroom with varying social and academic levels.
- Enter our amazing CSR, Ms. Franzblau!
- She pulls out kids from 4/5 to focus on literacy skills, particularly Reader's Workshop.

# What does a Literacy & Resource Specialist Do?

- Need some extra support in reading or math?
- Mr. Rich in the Learning Center is YOUR MAN!
- Mr. Rich can help kids in reading and math using many different methodologies... he can find one that works!
- The Learning Center is also available to all kids for word processing, research for papers, games to improve reading, handwriting fluency, and math skills, or simply to break out a book and read.

# What is our Science Program?

- Ah Mission Science - where a kid can be vacuumed into a plastic bag (no, not their head), handle live snakes, create chemical reactions and drop an egg from a precipice, all FOR SCIENCE!
- Mission Science comes to McK to run science programs and our kids to go to Mission Science Workshop.
- If you haven't had a chance to go, you should. It's full of bones, creepy crawlies, gears, potions & more!

# What is our Arts Program?

- Dance, chorus and artists-in-residence. Art in language arts, social studies, critical thinking and problem solving. Art in experiential and sequential learning.
- SFArtsEd and VAPA facilitates all of these experiences for our children.
- So next time you attend a dance performance with Mr. Tom leading, or a rousing chorus performance with Ms. Bouc, turn your cell phone to the off position, sit back and enjoy the show!



# What is Lunchtime Wellness?

- No, it's not about nutrition. It's about ensuring a safe and fun environment during lunch recess! No broccoli is involved.
- Our teachers have to eat too, right? So, what happens on the yard during lunch recess when no one's watching? CHAOS!
- The Lunchtime Wellness Program is staffed by our amazing ASEP folks who help to maintain order while still letting the kids run (a bit) wild on their "time off".

# What is Reader's Workshop?

- It's reading at your child's level, with books and materials that span across levels.
- So everyone is on the same page, but with different levels of books.
- No one is left out, no one is bored.
- It's a proven, researched-based program that allows all children to become successful readers in and outside of the classroom.

# How much more supplies does a teacher need?

- So many supplies. Crayons, paper, stickers, celebrations of success parties, magazine subscriptions...
- SFUSD does not give a per teacher supply budget.
- It's the job of our SSC to provide a supply budget in the whole school budget ask.
- The PTA makes up any deficit with a per teacher supply budget so our teachers and staff don't have to pay out of their own pockets.
- Wait, why am I belaboring this point? You, me, we and us are behind our teachers 100%.