September 14, 2006
Dear Edgemont Parents,

Fall Direct-Donation Drive

The school year has begun and it’s time for us to come together as a Parent/Teacher Association, to welcome back returning members and to warmly invite new families to become involved in our school community. The PTA represents the body and soul of our school. Working together, we can help build a stronger, more effective learning environment for our children. So please, take the leap, join the PTA this year and become part of the “One World—One Edgemont” idea. In the PTA your efforts will count, your opinions will matter and your time spent will most certainly be rewarding.

In order for us to meet our commitments to our programs, teachers and students, we need to ensure that our budget is sustainable and sufficient. This is where you can immediately lend an important supporting hand, by contributing to the PTA’s Fall Direct-Donation Drive. This opening fundraising drive will let us get the ball rolling with the many exciting programs and options we are hoping to implement this year.

We have set a goal of $7,500.00 to be raised through this drive, relying on the parents and families of our Edgemont students, to donate what you feel is appropriate, keeping in mind that circumstances vary among families, and that some can comfortably give more than others. Any amount, of course, is most welcome. (A donation above $50.00 will entitle the donor to automatic eligibility for PTA membership, with the registration fee waived.)

We would like to reach our Fall Direct-Donation Drive goal by November 4th. With luck we can even surpass the goal. Do you realize that with just a $50.00 average donation per child, we could raise $15,000.00 for our classrooms, materials and programs? And with a little creativity we can increase the power of our contributions. For instance, many of you may work for companies that offer matching funds for their employees’ charitable donations—money that would directly benefit Edgemont students. Please try to take advantage of any such resources available to you, and help us meet our common goal of creating a richer and more varied learning experience for our kids.

Shirley Gentry  
V.P., Fundraising, Edgemont PTA

Please make out checks to “Edgemont PTA” and return with this slip in your child’s backpack:

Family Name ...............................................Phone # ......................................................
Child’s Name ............................... Teacher ........................................................
Child’s Name ............................... Teacher ........................................................
Donation Amount ................................. Check # .....................................................

I am interested in PTA membership. (If donating less than $50, please enclose $10 for individual, or $15 for family membership.)