

Dear 5SH Families,

The Driscoll PTO has created a fundraising project that involves each classroom choosing a theme and having items related to that theme put into a basket. All the baskets from each classroom will be auctioned off at a big event on Saturday, April 27th.



Based on the fact that a yearlong goal for 5SH is to see how the information they study in school can be applied to real life, we are not only learning about animals but also *how to protect them and the earth that we all need*. With this in mind, we decided that the 5SH basket will be a "Going Green Basket of Action"

The basket will contain the following:

1. **A BOOK MADE BY 5SH:** 5SH will be creating a book together explaining some problems happening to animals due to poaching and climate change and what people of all ages can do to make things better. It will be a call to action. The book will be put into the basket.

2. **GREEN ITEMS:** Each family in 5SH is invited to donate an object that promotes a healthy planet. There are many items to choose from. For example- cool water bottles, effective 'green' cleaning supplies, items made from recycled materials, tree planting guides, solar powered objects, 'endangered animal adoptions' crank operated radios... you and your family could talk about what you might do. There are also plenty of sites where you can get ideas. .... [Link](#) or [Link](#)

3. **GREEN MONEY:** 5SH is going to have a craft fair. Students will make a variety of objects to sell based on their interests. Day 1 of the craft fair will be at our 'Animal Book Share' on Tuesday, April 30th. We may also find a few other times to sell the goods. All the proceeds from the craft fair will be donated to a conservation organization or animal protection group chosen by the winner of the basket.

Soon we will have an actual basket in our room for the green items. 5SH has some ideas about how to decorate it. Our wonderful room parents Sharon Jason and Fran Rota will be helping us organize our *Green Basket of Action*. More information will be coming soon.

Thank you for your participation and help with this project.