



“What to know about the Donaldson PTO” Monthly New Letter for February 2020

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48ABAD29ABFC1-parent>

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- **3/25: Spring pictures**

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we have:**

**Provided teachers
with \$120 for
classroom supplies
from Donaldson Day
proceeds**

**Provided \$30 per
teacher for books &
over \$500 dollars in
books to the library
during the book fair**

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instruments for
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upcoming 2019/2020
Donaldson yearbook**

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