

Panther Paw Prints

The Pebble Creek PTO Newsletter
September 2013



Welcome Back Panthers!

Keep in Touch with the PTO

This will be the only newsletter sent out in Monday folders. To sign up for online editions of the newsletter, go to www.pebblecreekpto.org. Also, be sure to "like" us on Facebook; just search for Pebble Creek PTO.



Reading Oasis Book Fair is coming!

This year's Scholastic Book Fair is September 30 - October 4.



Join us for Family Dinner Night October 3rd from 5-7:30pm featuring Texas Roadhouse and shaved ice from Zack's Shack. Portions of these sales will be donated back to Pebble Creek Elementary. (See flyer for details). ****Plan on coming to eat and shop with your family****

Help Supply Wee Deliver

Wee Deliver, PCE's internal mail system, will be starting back up soon. Any envelopes, stationary, paper, and stickers you can provide is appreciated. Donations can be dropped off in the office.

Clip Those Box Tops!

The collection date for the fall is October 18th. Place your trimmed Box Tops in the collection bin by the office. The class that collects the most

Box Tops will receive a pizza party!

Trimmers are needed-- Please contact Beverly Kuhn at

btkuhn@gmail.com to help.



Candy Cane Fun Run

Even though winter feels like a long time from now, our annual Candy Cane Fun Run will be here before we know it! Please mark your calendars for December 7, 9-10:30am at the school. It's a fun way to help the Brazos Valley Food Bank with the canned food drive AND to have families enjoy walking or running on the indoor and outdoor courses.

Upcoming Events

- Mon. Sep 23rd - Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Sep 25th - Early Release 12:45pm/No Head Start
- Mon. Sep 30th - Book Fair Week Begins
- Tue. Oct 1st - 4th Grade Blue Bell Trip
- Thu. Oct 3rd - 4th Grade Blue Bell Trip
- Thu. Oct 3rd - Character Dress Up Day
- Thu. Oct 3rd - Family Dinner Night 5:00pm
- Thu. Oct 3rd - Flashlight Reading 6:00pm
- Fri. Oct 4th - Brown Bag #2
- Fri. Oct 4th - End of 1st Six Weeks
- Mon. Oct 7th - Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Oct 9th - 4th Grade Pizza Ranch Field Trip
- Thu. Oct 10th - Fall Pictures
- Thu. Oct 10th - PTO Meeting 12:00pm
- Fri. Oct 11th - Awards Assemblies
- Mon. Oct 14th - Student Holiday, Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Thu. Oct 17th - 2nd Grade Bush Library Field Trip
- Thu. Oct 17th - 3rd/4th Grade Chemistry Road Show
- Fri. Oct 18th - Carnival Kickoff Meeting
- Mon. Oct 21st - Chess/Scrabble
- Mon. Oct 21st - Red Ribbon Week Begins
- Wed. Oct 23rd - Wear Red Day
- Thu. Oct 24th - McTeacher Night at Tower Point McDonald's
- Wed. Oct 30th - 4th Grade Pumpkin Math
- Thu. Oct 31st - Dollar Dress Up Day: Polka Dots and Stripes
- Thu. Oct 31st - Fall Parties

Remember every Friday is
Healthy Heart Jog Day. Feel
free to come to school and
jog with your child!





Island Panther Paradise Carnival...

is the MAJOR fundraiser at Pebble Creek Elementary that directly helps to support educational programs, technology, equipment, and teacher grants. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** There are many ways to get involved. You can volunteer, be a sponsor, or take your family to Carnival. You can also consider donating money, new toys, a silent auction item, or a party planned by you to be auctioned. Our first meeting will be held on October 18th. Please contact Monica Brown at aggiedentist@hotmail.com or Sherry Jennings at sjennings12@verizon.net if you are interested. Helping with Carnival is a great way to enhance your child's experience at Pebble Creek!

Yearbook Pictures Needed

As you take photos of events, upload your favorites to the yearbook website.

Go to images.balfour.com

Project number: 426985

Password: panthers



Give your name and email, then upload your pictures. **PLEASE.....**

1. Crop the photo
2. Orient the photo the correct way
3. Give the grade and teacher's name for each photo
4. Choose just a few of your best from each event
5. No date or time stamps please

Go Krogering

Did you know you can support Pebble Creek just by shopping at Kroger? It's easy when you enroll in Kroger Community Rewards®!



To get started, sign up with your Plus Card at http://www.kroger.com/community/Pages/community_rewards.aspx and select Pebble Creek Elementary PTO. Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for for our school every time you shop and use your Plus Card! Don't forget that grandparents, friends, etc. can also participate.

Kroger Pebble Creek's Organization
Number: 81533

Your PTO Dollars at Work

The PTO has raised money and contributed in many ways over the years to make Pebble Creek Elementary a place where your child will enjoy learning. Smart boards, the big kid playground, and the covered walkway are a few examples of past PTO expenditures. The PTO has approved spending over \$51,000 for programs and school betterment during the 2013-2014 school year. The following are some items you can expect the PTO to fund this year:



Ongoing Educational Programs

- Scholastic News Subscriptions
- STAAR Water and Snacks
- 4th Grade Field Trip to Austin
- First in Math, Quaver, & More Software
- Teacher Wish Lists
- Cla\$\$room Ca\$h Grants for Teachers
- PE Olympian T-Shirts
- Literacy Library

New Programs/School Betterment

- Poster Machine
- Smartboard Ladibugs
- Teacher Grants Program
- Grade Level Field Trips

Review the PTO meeting minutes at www.pebblecreekpto.org for more details!

Your Support Counts



Thank you to all our t-shirt sponsors for supporting our school!

Stay Connected

All future newsletters will be distributed by email and posted to the PTO website, www.pebblecreekpto.org. If you do not already receive PTO news via email, go to the website and click on "Email Signup" to register.