



# Panther Paw Prints

The PTO Newsletter  
April 2015



## Thanks for Supporting Pebble Creek Elementary!

### Join us for Spirit Night all Day!



Join us at Spoons anytime Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. PCE receives 25% of the profits!

### Coins and Cans for the

The School's Out Food Drive, organized by the CSISD City-Wide PTO, takes place April 27<sup>th</sup> - May 1<sup>st</sup> and benefits the Brazos Valley Food Bank. Bring in your spare change and/or non-perishable food items. Look for details on our [Facebook](#) page or the flyer sent home in Monday's folder later this month.

### Pass on a Pack



Beginning this month, we are collecting new and gently used (even if minor stains), non-monogrammed backpacks. Look for the donation box in the entrance area. Thanks in advance for helping our Panthers!

### Carnival Parties

Although Carnival is over, we still have openings available for many of our Panther Parties. For more information, email Monica Brown at [aggiedentist@hotmail.com](mailto:aggiedentist@hotmail.com).

### Pre-order School Supply Kits

The PTO is offering pre-ordered school supply kits for next school year. Look for the order form in your child's Monday folder next month!



### BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE BOOK FAIR!

**STOCK UP FOR SUMMER READING!** The PCE library will host a Scholastic Book Fair to promote summer reading Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> (7:45am - 5:30pm) and Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> (7:45am - 3:30pm). All books will be BOGO free (of equal or lesser value). See school flyer for more details. To help with the Book Fair, please contact Michele Colburn at [designsbymichelec@yahoo.com](mailto:designsbymichelec@yahoo.com).



### Join us for Spirit Night

Join us at Blue Baker on Wed., May 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 pm. PCE receives 10% of sales + 50% of cookie sales!

### The 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Rain Forest Musical



### Upcoming Events

- Tue. Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> - VIPS Luncheon
- Wed. Apr. 15<sup>th</sup> - Early Release @ 12:45pm/ No Head Start
- Wed. Apr. 15<sup>th</sup> - Report Cards Sent Home
- Fri. Apr. 17<sup>th</sup> - Brown Bag #8
- Tue. Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> - STAAR 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Math
- Wed. Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup> - STAAR 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Reading
- Thu. Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip
- Fri. May 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip
- Sat. May 2<sup>nd</sup> - District Art Show
- Tue. May 5<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Appreciation Day
- Wed. May 6<sup>th</sup> - Nurse's Day
- Wed. May 6<sup>th</sup> - Student Council Meeting
- Thu. May 7<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip
- Thu. May 7<sup>th</sup> - Variety Show @ 6:00pm
- Fri. May 8<sup>th</sup> - End of Year Celebration
- Tue. May 12<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Pool Party
- Wed. May 13<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Living Museum
- Thu. May 14<sup>th</sup> - PTO Meeting @ Noon
- Thu. May 14<sup>th</sup> - Sing-A-Long
- Wed. May 20<sup>th</sup> - Field Day (HS, Kinder, 1<sup>st</sup>)
- Thu. May 21<sup>st</sup> - Field Day (2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>)
- Thu. May 21<sup>st</sup> - Kinder Field Trip
- Thu. May 21<sup>st</sup> - BOGO Book Fair
- Fri. May 22<sup>nd</sup> - BOGO Book Fair
- Fri. May 22<sup>nd</sup> - Kinder Field Trip
- Fri. May 22<sup>nd</sup> - Last Day of Head Start
- Mon. May 25<sup>th</sup> - Student Holiday
- Fri. May 29<sup>th</sup> - Kinder & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebrations
- Fri. May 29<sup>th</sup> - Early Release @ 12:45pm
- Fri. May 29<sup>th</sup> - Report Cards Sent Home

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



## Panthers Around the World Carnival



The 2015 Panthers Around the World Carnival, Pebble Creek Elementary's Spring fund raiser, was a big success thanks to all those who participated, sponsored, donated, and volunteered their time!

It was a great day for this year's Carnival. From bounce houses to the Soda Pop Ring Toss to yummy eats and more, we had a fantastic day filled with lots of smiling students, families, and friends of PCE enjoying Carnival!

Most importantly, we raised \$47,000 for our school!

We would like to thank all the students and parents for their overwhelming generosity and for coming out to support Carnival!



With your help, we were able to meet this year's goal - to raise enough funds to support new or ongoing important educational programs and school betterment for the 2015-2016 school year.



A big thanks to everyone that supported and volunteered to help during this event! And a huge THANK YOU goes out to the Carnival Committee, who worked tirelessly for months to make Carnival a success! We truly couldn't have done it without you!



## 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, Mini iPads for classroom use, and the covered walkway are a few examples of past PTO expenditures. School year to date, the PTO has spent over \$53,000 on the following items and more:



### Educational Programs:

- Teacher Wish Lists
- Scholastic News Subscriptions
- 4th Grade Field Trip
- Grade Level Field Trips
- Literacy Library
- PE Olympian Shirts
- First in Math Programs

### School Betterment:

- Teacher Grants
- RedCat Audio Systems
- Classroom Computers
- Fold-up Tables for School Use

The PTO is expecting to spending over \$50,000 on educational programs and school betterment for the 2015-2016 school year. For more details, review the minutes from the upcoming April 16<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting at [www.pebblecreekpto.org](http://www.pebblecreekpto.org).

## Thanks to Our Local Sponsors for Supporting Us Year After Year!

