



Panther Paw Prints

The PTO Newsletter
January 2015



Support Panthers Around the World Carnival!

Panthers Around the World

Carnival is Pebble Creek's Spring fundraiser that directly supports programs, technology, teacher grants and more! This year's Carnival takes place Saturday, Mar. 7th from 11:00am - 4:00pm at PCE. **We need every PCE family involved to make Carnival a success!** To help, please see the Carnival menu [online](#) or on the last page of this newsletter.

Jason's Deli Spirit Night



Come support our school at Jason's Deli on January 22nd from 5-10:00 pm. PCE receives 15% of total sales.

Last Call For Yearbook Orders!

Don't miss the chance to order your Panthers Around the World yearbook! Order online at balfour.com by January 23rd. Use project number 526985.

Parent Volunteers Needed!

Our Kindergartners still need your help during lunch (12:00-12:50pm). Please email Amanda Crisp at acrispmom@yahoo.com or Kim Russell at kmerussell@hotmail.com to participate.



50 Men Who Can Cook



The 8th Annual 50 Men Who Can Cook takes place Feb. 6th from 6:30 - 9:30pm at the Brazos County Expo. Tickets are now being sold in the school office.

Clip Those Box Tops!



The collection date for winter is February 25th. Place your trimmed Box Tops in the collection bin by the office. The class that collects the most Box Tops will receive a reward!

Save the Date - BOGO Book Fair!

The BOGO Scholastic Book Fair will be held on May 21st and 22nd during the day in the school library.



The Candy Cane Fun Run Poster Winners!

Upcoming Events

- Thu. Jan. 22nd - Jason's Deli 5-10:00pm
- Fri. Jan. 23rd - 4th Grade Science Fair
- Mon. Jan. 26th - Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Jan. 28th - Early Release @ 12:45pm
- Fri. Jan. 30th - Enrichment Day: 100th Day
- Fri. Jan. 30th - Family Movie Night 6:00pm
- Wed. Feb. 4th - Counselor's Day
- Thu. Feb. 5th - PTO Meeting 12:00pm
- Fri. Feb. 6th - Brown Bag #6
- Mon. Feb. 9th - Chess/Scrabble
- Fri. Feb. 13th - Dollar Dress Up Day: Polka Dots & Stripes
- Fri. Feb. 13th - Valentine's Day Parties
- Mon. Feb. 16th - Student Holiday
- Tue. Feb. 17th - Spring Pictures
- Tue. Feb. 17th - Healthy Heart Jog
- Fri. Feb. 20th - End of 4th Six Weeks
- Mon. Feb. 23rd - Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Feb. 25th - Report Cards Sent Home
- Thu. Mar. 5th - PTO Meeting 12:00pm
- Fri. Mar. 6th - Brown Bag #7
- Sat. Mar. 7th - Carnival 11:00am - 4:00pm
- Mon. Mar. 9th - Chess/Scrabble
- Thu. Mar. 12th - Kinder Rodeo
- Thu. Mar. 12th - 1st Grade Musical 6:00pm
- Mon. Mar. 16th - Spring Break Begins
- Mon. Mar. 23rd - Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Mar. 25th - Report Cards Sent Home
- Thu. Mar. 26th - 2nd Grade Musical 6:00pm
- Mon. Mar. 30th - STAAR: 4th Grade Writing
- Tue. Mar. 31st - STAAR: 4th Grade Writing

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



The Candy Cane Fun Run



The 2014 Candy Cane Fun Run, benefitting Brazos Valley Food Bank, was a great success! We had a fun morning with PCE kids running the halls and

outdoor track. It was a great time for students, siblings, parents and grandparents to run, enjoy a drink, sit with Santa, and visit with friends.



Most importantly, we reached our goal of more than 6,000 pounds of food for the Brazos Valley Food Bank and KBTX Food for Families.

Since we reached our goal, the entire school was able to participate in duct-taping Mrs. Z to the wall during the lunch hour on January 9th.

The kids had fun, and Mrs. Z "hung in there" for 1½ hours! Way to take one for the team, Mrs. Z!



Our 4th graders won an ice cream and cookie party by contributing the most pounds per student in our grade-level contest. Congrats to all the grades for contributing. It all added up!

Many thanks to HEB, Daniela Weaver Photography, Theresa Mangapora/BVFB, PCE office and cafeteria staff, AMCMS National Junior Society students, AMCHS track athletes, Girl Scout Troop 9024, Boy Scout Troop 60, and Mr. Claus. A special shout out goes to all of the parents who helped. All in all, it was a wonderful event that helped make a difference in our community!



Stay Informed of PCE Events

The Information You Need..

is just a click away! The PTO offers several great ways to stay informed of PCE events:

- ✓ PebbleCreekPTO.org - Our website is packed with useful information, such as the school calendar, upcoming events, meeting minutes, program/event information, and more. Plus, it's easy to navigate!
- ✓ [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/PebbleCreekPTO) - Looking for timely information on save-the-dates and current PCE events? Then friend us at www.facebook.com/PebbleCreekPTO and get valuable information about PCE on your Facebook News Feed.

You can also follow Pebble Creek Elementary's Twitter feed at twitter.com/pc_elementary.

We Need Your Pictures

Yearbook Pictures Needed

As you take photographs of events throughout the year, please pick a few of your favorites and upload them to the yearbook website. Here's how:

Go to images.balfour.com
 Project number: 526985
 Password: panthers



Give your name and email, then upload your pictures.

Important things to remember before you upload:

1. Crop the photo (no dates showing)
2. Orient picture correctly
3. Give the grade and teacher's name
4. Choose the best pics of each event
5. Make sure to upload pics of various students so that everyone is included.
6. No date or time stamps please

Thanks!

Thanks for Your Support!

Thanks to all our sponsors! From donating food & supplies to supporting Profit Share Nights, your support counts here at PCE!





Wow, it's hard to believe Winter Break is over! We hope your family enjoyed the holidays and want to remind you that Pebble Creek's Spring Carnival, Panthers Around the World, is coming up March 7, 2015.

The money raised in this year's carnival will help Pebble Creek to purchase technology upgrades that enhance classroom learning and to make improvements to the school campus. We will purchase the items by next year, if we raise enough money, so your children can directly benefit from our efforts at Carnival!

In order to do this, we need ALL Pebble Creek families to review the Carnival Menu and select some ways you can enhance the education of all Pebble Creek Panthers by circling the item(s) below. Please return this form back to your child's homeroom teacher by January 23, 2015.

- Be a sponsor of the Pebble Creek Carnival (\$1 all the way to \$2500)
- Donate a Silent Auction item (\$1 - Priceless)
- Donate 3 one liter bottles of Coke, Pepsi, etc. for the Soda Pop Toss
- Donate a party with friends that people can pay to attend (Priceless)
- Donate a baked item for the cake walk (homemade or store-purchased goods)
- Donate a new toy or book for the Kids Raffle (pick up after Christmas on sale)
- Donate a gift card or money for class baskets (from anywhere, any amount)
- Volunteer your time to work a shift the week of Carnival
- Buy a Pebble Creek Carnival T-shirt (\$10-\$15)
- Volunteer your time to decorate or pick up silent auction items
- Volunteer to fill water balloons
- Buy a picture of your child to be used in decorations at Carnival (\$5- \$20)
- Send pocket change to support your teacher in the Basketball Shooting Contest
- Donate a trip, time-share, or hunt to the Carnival
- Volunteer your time to make casts in the cast room if you are a doctor or nurse
- Tell your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers about the Pebble Creek Carnival
- Attend the Pebble Creek Carnival and have a great time!

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Please return by **January 23, 2015** or click [here](#) and fill out the menu online! Let's have a great Carnival!!