



Panther Paw Prints

The PTO Newsletter
January 2016



Support Panthers Take the Gold Carnival!

Panthers Take the Gold!

Carnival is Pebble Creek's Spring fundraiser that directly supports programs, technology, teacher grants and more! This year's Carnival takes place Saturday, Mar. 5th from 11:00am - 4:00pm.

We need every PCE family involved to make Carnival a success! To help, please fill out and turn in the Carnival Menu sent home in Monday folders or located on the last page of this newsletter by Friday, January 22nd.

Your Help is Needed!



Groovy Panthers Celebrating Decades Day!



50 Men Who Can Cook

The 9th Annual 50 Men Who Can Cook takes place Feb. 5th from 6:30 - 9:30pm at the Brazos County Expo. Tickets are now being sold in the school office.



Join us for Spirit Night ALL Day!

Join us at Spoons anytime Thursday, February 11th. PCE receives 25% of the profits!

Clip Those Box Tops!

The collection date for winter is February 19th. 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 Up Your Gently-Used Books

Please start checking your shelves for gently-used books to donate to our end-of-April book drive. Last year, we helped bring more than 1,500 books into the homes of PCE students. Stay tuned for more info!



Save the Date - BOGO Book Fair!



The BOGO Scholastic Book Fair will be held on May 12th and 13th during the day in the school library.

Upcoming Events

- Mon. Jan. 25th — Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Jan. 27th — Early Release @ 12:45pm
- Fri. Jan. 29th — Family Movie Night 6:00pm
- Mon. Feb. 1st — Enrichment Day: 100th Day (Kinder, 2nd & 3rd Grades)
- Wed. Feb. 3rd — Counselor's Day
- Thu. Feb. 4th — PTO Meeting 12:00pm
- Fri. Feb. 5th — Brown Bag #6
- Mon. Feb. 8th — Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Feb. 10th — 3rd Grade Math Club
- Thu. Feb. 11th — Spoons Profit Share All Day
- Thu. Feb. 11th — 4th Grade Math Club
- Fri. Feb. 12th — Dollar Dress Up Day: Crazy Socks
- Fri. Feb. 12th — Valentine's Day Parties
- Mon. Feb. 15th — Student Holiday
- Wed. Feb. 17th — Spring Pictures
- Fri. Feb 19th — Enrichment Day: U.S. Symbols & Cities (1st Grade)
- Fri. Feb 19th — 4th grade Field Austin Trip
- Fri. Feb. 19th — End of 4th Six Weeks
- Fri. Feb. 19th — Turn in Box Tops
- Mon. Feb. 22nd — Chess/Scrabble
- Wed. Feb. 24th — Report Cards Sent Home
- Thu. Feb 25th — 4th Grade Parent Meeting
- Wed. Mar. 2nd — 3rd Grade Math Club
- Thu. Mar. 3rd — PTO Meeting 12:00pm
- Thu. Mar. 3rd — 4th Grade Math Club
- Fri. Mar. 4th — Brown Bag #7
- Sat. Mar. 5th — Carnival 11:00am - 4:00pm
- Mon. Mar. 7th — Chess/Scrabble

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 2015 Candy Cane Fun Run, benefitting Brazos Valley Food Bank, was a wonderful event! We had a fun morning with PCE kids running the halls and outdoor track. It was a great time for our Pebble Creek families to run with Rudolf and an elf, enjoy a drink, and visit with friends.

Most importantly, we collected 900 pounds of food and \$470 for the Brazos Valley Food Bank and KBTX Food for Families.

Fourth Grade barely beat out 1st Grade to collect the most canned food at over 100 pounds and won a cupcake party!



Congrats to all the grades for contributing. It all added up!

Many thanks to HEB, The Texas A&M Aggie Dance Team, BVFB, Cub Scouts Pack 1069, PCE office, cafeteria staff and Coach Kap.

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!



Wee Deliver is Open for Business!

Wee Deliver is now open for the spring semester. We encourage you to write letters to your students often. They love your notes and encouragement!

Write your letters at home and come to PCE to place a stamp (designed by students) on your envelope and mail in our "school mail only" mailbox located in the main hallway. Access your student's classroom address [online](#).

Congrats to our Spring 2016 4th Grade Postmasters: Elaina Sawyer, Jake Kriel, Foster Scott, Arleth Malacara, Carter Noynaert, Cassidy Rich, Zoe Hyman, Collin Nesbitt, Brandon Jennings, Maleigh Morawietz, Braelon Ray & Eva Caverlee!



Pictures Needed for Yearbook!

Please share your photos of school events throughout the year.

Here's how:

Email to pceyearbook@hotmail.com

OR

Download the *Balfour Image Share* App from iTunes or Google Play

Project number: 626985

Password: panthers

Please include the teacher's name, names of the people in the photo and the name of the event.



Thanks for Your Support!

Thanks to our local restaurants that support our Profit Share Spirit Nights! Your support makes a difference here at PCE!!





Panthers Take The Gold Carnival Menu








Wow, it's hard to believe 2016 is here! We hope your family enjoyed the holidays and want to remind you that Pebble Creek's Spring Carnival, Panthers Take the Gold, is coming up March 5, 2016. The money raised in this year's carnival will help Pebble Creek to fund our annual commitments, such as grade-level field trips and teacher wish lists and grants, as well as fund technology upgrades and school improvement projects!

To do this, we need **ALL** Pebble Creek families to review the Carnival Menu below and **circle** some ways you can enhance the education of all Pebble Creek Panthers. Please return this completed form back to your child's homeroom teacher by **January 22, 2016**.







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is Needed!









Donate

-  A silent Auction item (\$1 – Priceless)
-  Three-liter bottles of Coke, Pepsi, etc. for the Soda Pop Toss
-  A party with friends that people can pay to attend (Priceless)
-  A baked item for the cake walk (homemade or store-purchased goods)
-  A new toy or book for the Kids Raffle
-  A gift card or money for class baskets (from anywhere, any amount)
-  A trip, time share or hunt to the silent auction

Volunteer Your Time

-  Join a Carnival committee
-  Work a shift the week of Carnival
-  Help decorate for Carnival
-  Pick up silent auction items, food items, etc.
-  Make casts in the cast room if you are a doctor or nurse
-  Not sure, but just want to help!

Get Involved

-  Become a sponsor of the Pebble Creek Carnival (\$100 - \$2,500)
-  Buy a Pebble Creek Carnival t-shirt
-  Buy tickets to Carnival and have a great time!
-  Buy a picture of your child and/or your child's teacher to be used in decorations at Carnival (\$5/picture)
-  Send pocket change to support your teacher in the Basketball Shooting Contest
-  Tell your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers about the Pebble Creek Carnival

Get Involved and Support our Children's Education!

After meeting our annual commitments, available funds will be used for **technology upgrades** to enhance classroom learning and **school campus improvements**. In previous years, the PTO raised enough money for these **special projects**: covers for playground equipment, covered walkway into school, SmartBoards for every class, electronic exterior sign, classroom iPad technology and classroom RedCat microphone systems. Thanks for your support of Pebble Creek!



Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please return to your child's homeroom teacher by January 22, 2016! Let's have a great Carnival!!