



PANTHER PAW PRINTS

THE PTO NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2017

SUPPORT THE activate OUR SUPERPOWERS CARNIVAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

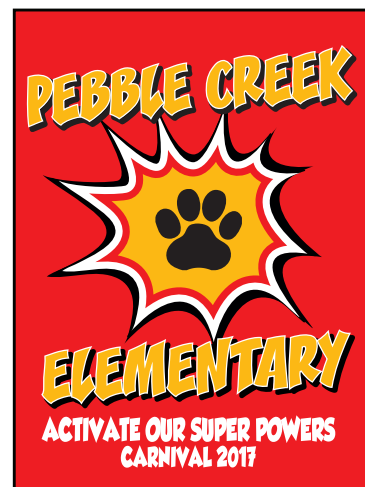
Fri. Jan. 20 - United Way PJ Day
Mon. Jan. 23 - Chess/Scrabble 2:30PM
Fri. Jan. 27 - Family Movie Night 6:30PM
Tue. Jan. 31 - \$! Dress Up - Team Jersey
Mon. Jan. 30 - 4th Grade Field Trip
Wed. Feb. 1 - 3rd Grade Math Club
Wed. Feb. 1 - Student Council 3:15PM
Thu. Feb. 2 - PTO Meeting 12:00PM
Thu. Feb. 2 - 4th Grade Math Club
Fri. Feb. 3 - Brown Bag #6
Fri. Feb. 3 - 50 Men Who Can Cook
Mon. Feb. 6 - Chess/Scrabble 2:30PM
Wed. Feb. 8 - Counselor's Day
Wed. Feb. 8 - Spring Pictures
Fri. Feb. 10 - 4th Grade Living Museum
Tue. Feb. 14 - Valentine Parties
Wed. Feb. 15 - Spoon's Spirit Night
Fri. Feb. 17 - Box Tops Collection
Fri. Feb. 17 - 2nd Grade Field Trip
Mon. Feb. 20 - Student Holiday
Fri. Feb. 24 - 4th Grade Austin Trip
Wed. Mar. 1 - 3rd Grade Math Club
Wed. Mar. 1 - Student Council 3:15PM
Thu. Mar. 2 - \$! Dress Up - Super Hero
Thu. Mar. 2 - PTO Meeting 12:00PM
Thu. Mar. 2 - 4th Grade Math Club
Fri. Mar. 3 - Brown Bag #7
Sat. Mar. 4 - Carnival
Mon. Mar. 6 - Chess/Scrabble 2:30PM

Healthy Heart Jog takes place every Monday, weather and school schedule permitting. Feel free to come to school and jog with your child!

PCE CARNIVAL IS ON ITS WAY

Carnival is Pebble Creek's Spring fundraiser that funds the PTO budget, which includes educational programs, school betterment, technology, teacher grants and more! This year's Carnival takes place Saturday, March 4th 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 20th.



CLIP THOSE BOX TOPS!

The collection date for winter is February 17. Place your trimmed Box Tops in the collection bin by the office. The class that collects the most Box Tops will receive a reward!

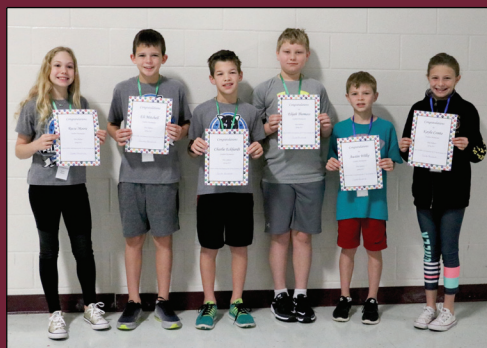
SAVE THE DATE FOR THE BOGO BOOK FAIR!

The BOGO Scholastic Book Fair will be held Thursday, May 11 and Friday, May 12 during the day in the school library.

WEE DELIVER NOW OPEN FOR SPRING SEMESTER

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 it in our "school mail only" mailbox located in the main hallway. Access your student's classroom address at www.pebblecreekpto.org.



Congrats to our Spring 2017 4th Grade Postmasters who were sworn in on Thursday, January 12th: Reese Moore, Eli Mitchell, Charlie Eckhardt, Elijah Thomass, Austin Wilke, Kayla Comte, and Abigail Hwang (not pictured).



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SPRIT NIGHT AT SPOONS YOGURT: ALL DAY FEBRUARY 15TH

OVER 4,000 POUNDS OF FOOD DONATED AT CANDY CANE FUN RUN

The 2016 Candy Cane Fun Run was a great day for Pebble Creek Elementary and the Brazos Valley Food Bank! We had a fantastic morning filled with lots of energetic students, siblings and parents who came out to run the hallways of PCE and enjoy lots of fun together!

Most importantly, we shattered our goal and raised 4,227 lbs. of food for the Brazos Valley Food Bank! The grade level winner was second grade bringing in 1302 lbs. of food. They received a popcorn party earlier this month! Since our kiddos reached our overall food drive goal, Mrs. Roraback and Mr. Whileyman competed in a Scooter Sleigh Race on the last day before Christmas break. Mr. Whileyman took the gold this time so now they are tied 1-1! We are thinking

a tiebreaker will be necessary! Thanks, Mrs. Roraback and Mr. Whileyman, for being such good sports!

We would like to thank HEB, Daniela Weaver Photography, Theresa Mangapora from the Brazos Valley Food Bank, Coach Kap, Mrs. Roraback, Mr. Whileyman, Ms. Watson, PCE Student council, PCE office staff, Ms. Martinez in the cafeteria, Mr. Woods our janitor, Denise Wood and the Daisies Girl Scout Troop, TAMU track & cross country athletes, AMCMS NHS, A&M Consolidated Bengal Belles, PCE parent volunteers, and all the students and parents for their overwhelming generosity!

What a fun Saturday! A huge THANK YOU to everyone who attended and helped make this event so successful.



YOUR PTO DOLLARS AT WORK

We want to thank PCE friends and families for participating in programs and events, including Fall Fun Runs, Spirit Nights, Box Tops and fundraisers like Carnival that support PCE.

As a result of your generous donations, the PTO has already purchased the following items this school year to help foster your child's learning here at PCE:

TeacherWish Lists \$5,800
K-4th Grade Level Field Trips \$5,730
Scholastic News Subscriptions \$2,428
Teacher Grants/Educational Programs \$3,480
Cafeteria Sound System \$8,368
Library Furniture \$5,000



50 MEN WHO CAN COOK EVENT TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 3

The 50 Men Who Can Cook event is the signature fundraiser for the CSISD Education Foundation. Over the past 9 years, over \$1.1 million has been raised to support our local teachers and students.

Save the date for the 10th annual 50 Men Who Can Cook on Friday, February 3, 2017 from 6:30-9:30pm at the Brazos County

Expo. Tickets are \$60 each which gets you entrance into the event and includes all the food you can taste and adult beverages of your choice. Local community and school leaders are selected for the event to prepare their recipe of choice including salads, soups, sides, entrees or desserts. Come out and taste Mr. Whileyman's potato soup!

PICTURES NEEDED FOR PANTHER YEARBOOK!

Please share your photos of school events throughout the year.



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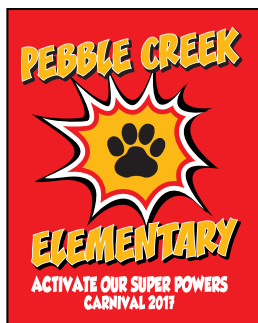
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Download the Balfour Image Share App from iTunes or Google Play. Use project number 726985 and password "panthers".



Include the teacher's name, student's photographed and event name.

ACTIVATE OUR SUPER POWERS CARNIVAL MENU



Wow, it's hard to believe 2017 is here! We hope your family enjoyed the holidays and want to remind you that Pebble Creek's Spring Carnival, Activate Our Super Powers, is coming up on March 4, 2017. 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 school improvement projects, technology, and educational programs!

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 **Friday, January 20, 2017**.

DONATE

- 🐾 A silent auction item, e.g. gift cards, gift items, services, food items (\$1-Priceless)
- 🐾 Two-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 check made out to Pebble Creek PTO 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 day of Carnival
- 🐾 Help decorate for Carnival
- 🐾 Make calls to local vendors for silent auction items
- 🐾 Pick up silent auction items, food items, etc.
- 🐾 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 **educational programs, technology, and school betterment**, such as replacing the art room furniture. In previous years, the PTO raised enough money for these **special projects**: covers for playground equipment; the covered walkway into school; classroom SmartBoards, iPads, and microphone systems; and the electronic exterior sign. Thanks for your support of Pebble Creek!

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____



Please return to your child's homeroom teacher by January 20, 2017! Let's have a great Carnival!