



# PANTHER PAW PRINTS

THE PTO NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2017

## BE INVOLVED AT PEBBLE CREEK ELEMENTARY

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Tue. Nov. 21 - Math Day

Wed. Nov. 23 - Fri. Nov. 25 -

Thanksgiving Break

Mon. Nov. 27- Chess/Scrabble 2:30PM

Wed. Nov. 29 - Glow Light Fun Run

Fri. Dec. 1 - Brown Bag #4

Wed. Dec. 6 - PK to 1st Author Visit

Wed. Dec. 6 - 2nd Gr. Field Trip

Wed. Dec. 6 - 3rd Gr. Math Club 3:15PM

Wed. Dec. 6 - Student Council 3:15PM

Thu. Dec. 7 - 4th Grade Math Club

Thu. Dec. 7 - Profit Share: Taco Casa

Sat. Dec. 9 - Candy Cane Fun Run

Tue. Dec. 12 - Spelling Bee

Wed. Dec. 13 - 3rd Gr. Musical Rehearsal

Wed. Dec. 13 - Kindness Club

Thu. Dec. 14 - 3rd Gr. Musical 6:30PM

Fri. Dec. 15 - 1st Gr. Birthday Celebration

Thu. Dec. 21 - 2nd Gr. Polar Express

Fri. Dec. 22 - Dollar Dress Up: Pajamas

Fri. Dec. 22 - Winter Parties

Fri. Dec. 22 - Early Release 12:45PM

Mon. Dec. 25 - Fri. Jan. 5 -

Winter Break

Mon. Jan. 8 - Chess/Scrabble 3:15PM

Wed. Jan. 10 - 3rd Gr. Math Club 3:15PM

Wed. Jan. 10 - Student Council 3:15PM

Thu. Jan. 11 - PTO Meeting Noon

Thu. Jan. 11 - 4th Gr. Math Club 3:15PM

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



### THE CANDY CANE FUN RUN AND FOOD DRIVE

Join the Candy Cane Fun Run on Saturday, December 9th at 9:00am. "Admission" to the event is a canned food item. Food and cash donations will be accepted starting November 29th. See the back page for all the fun details!

### YEARBOOK NEEDS YOUR PHOTOS

Please share your photos of school events throughout the year. Email them to [pceyearbook@hotmail.com](mailto:pceyearbook@hotmail.com) or download the Balfour Image Share App from iTunes or Google Play. Use project number 826985 and the Upload Code "panthers".

Before emailing or uploading pictures, please:

- Choose just a few of your best from each event
- Include the teacher's name, the event, and the names of people in the photo
- No date or time stamps please

### SPIRIT NIGHT AT TACO CASA

Join us at Taco Casa at any time on Thursday, December 7th to earn money for PCE. Be sure to turn in your receipt and PCE will receive 20% of your check!

### PANTHERS HOLIDAY TREE

If your family is interested in providing toiletries, clothing and/or a want for a Panther this holiday season, the Panthers Helping Panthers Holiday Tree is set up in the office. You can choose to sponsor a child's entire gift, or a specific part.

### PCE SAYS THANK YOU TO VETERANS

Pebble Creek students thanked our veterans through song on Friday, November 10th. Family members who have served our country were invited to be celebrated at morning assembly.



### WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN PCE FUNDRAISING CONTESTS

Congratulations to Mrs. McGuire's 2nd Grade Class for submitting the most Box Tops this October with 541. They will be celebrating with an ice cream party. The next collection date is February 14, 2018.

Congratulations are also in order for Mrs. McKinney's homeroom for bringing in the most money at the Marco's Pizza Spirit Night. They will receive a pizza party.



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## RUN THROUGH THE HALLS AT THE CANDY CANE FUN RUN ON DECEMBER 9TH

This year's Candy Cane Fun Run will be held on Saturday, December 9th from 9:00-10:30AM at PCE. This annual event helps collect food for the Brazos Valley Food Bank. It is a great opportunity for students, parents, siblings and friends to truly make a difference in the community.

Admission to the event is one can of food, or more! Monetary donations are also accepted; please make checks out to the Brazos Valley Food Bank. If you cannot attend the Fun Run, you can make donations beforehand. Boxes for each grade will be located by the office beginning Wednesday, November 29th.

Items most needed at the Food Bank include beans (canned or dried), canned meats (tuna, chicken, ham, etc.), boxes of cereal (all sizes), cereal bars, chili, coffee, canned fruits/ vegetables, peanut butter, rice, ravioli, pasta and soups.

The morning of the Fun Run, students, parents and siblings run or walk the halls of the school or the outside track while collecting candy canes! Experience the

"Santa's Super Course" – an outside course specifically designed for kiddos 2nd grade and older! First grade and younger can run or walk through the halls of Pebble Creek on "Santa's Little Helpers" inside course or challenge themselves on "Santa's Super Course!" Cookies and hot chocolate will be served.

Be sure to bring your camera and take some fun photos! Santa will be there to visit with your children and a professional photographer will be available to snap pictures of your family with Santa and Mrs. Claus! Order forms will be going out in Monday folders soon!

This year we have two fun contests going on. First, the grade that collects the most canned food (based on weight) will receive an extra recess! Second, if Pebble Creek Elementary collects at least 1 TON of food, Mrs. Roraback and Mr. Whileyman will compete in a Scooter Race!!! Donations of non-perishable food or money will be accepted (\$1=5 pounds of food). All canned goods and



money will be donated to the Brazos Valley Food Bank.

Overall, it's a fun, festive event where PCE Panthers and families can truly make a difference in our community. We look forward to seeing you at the Candy Cane Fun Run. Volunteers are needed to help make the Fun Run a success. From set-up to clean-up and everything in between, we need you! For volunteer opportunities or more information about the event, please contact Brittany Bruggman at [brittany\\_bruggman@yahoo.com](mailto:brittany_bruggman@yahoo.com).



of raising \$5,000 to help Hitchcock "Kids First" Head Start recover from Hurricane Harvey. With the financial assistance you provided, Hitchcock Head Start will soon be on their way to replacing much-needed classrooms items damaged in the floods, including furniture, rugs, books and more. We will also be providing 8 boxes filled with pre-k books and musical CDs from our student-run book drive. Thank you to all those families who sponsored items, donated money and provided books and musical CDs.

To celebrate our act of kindness, Panthers will enjoy a Glow Light Fun Run during CAMP time later this month! Please look for the SignUpGenius link for opportunities to volunteer.

Thanks for racing to the rescue, Panthers! As a result of your generosity, we met our goal



Pebble Creek needs you as a sponsor for our biggest fundraiser of the year - our spring Carnival!

Earnings will be used to fund the PTO's annual budget, which includes educational programs, grade-level field trips, teacher wish lists and more. Leftover funds will be spent on school upgrades, furniture replacement and classroom technology.

Anyone can be a sponsor: families, individuals, organizations, and businesses. Please contact Maegan Jackson at [maeganjackson01@gmail.com](mailto:maeganjackson01@gmail.com) if you are interested.

The Panthers Walk of Fame Carnival will be held Saturday, March 3, 2018.