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The Newsletter of the Pebble Creek PTO October 2012



Mrs. Guest's students using "letter vests" to spell words Keep Track of the Curriculum

The CSISD and Pebble Creek Elementary websites are great places to look when wanting to learn more about the curriculum your children will be taught this year. The curriculum websites can be easily accessed by going to: <u>http://csisd.org/</u> (curriculum tab) or <u>http://pc.csisd.org/</u> (academics tab). Check out the resources available to students and parents within these websites.

Clip Those Box Tops

Box Tops are due **Friday, October 19th**. Please trim each Box Top on the dotted line and put them in a sandwich bag labeled with your child's name and teacher. You can send them to your child's teacher or put them in the collection bin in the front hallway.

Shoes and Silly Socks Fri. Oct 19th—Enrichment Day: Celebrate America Mon. Oct 22nd—Red Ribbon Week Wed. Oct 24th—Wear Red Thu. Oct 25th—4th Grade Living Museum Mon. Oct 29th—Chess/Scrabble Club Wed. Oct 31st—Fall Parties Wed. Oct 31st—Early Release 12:45pm Thu. Nov 1st—PTO Meeting 12:00pm Thu. Nov 1st—Chick-fil-A Spirit Night Wed. Nov 7th—Dollar Dress Up: Paper Bag Day Fri. Nov 9th—Brown Bag #3 12:00pm Fri. Nov 9th—End of 2nd Six Weeks *Remember every Friday is Healthy Heart Jog. Feel free to come to school and jog with your child.

Upcoming Dates Wed. Oct 17th—Dollar Dress Up: Mismatched

Did you know... CSISD was one of 23 districts invited to participate in the Texas High Performing Schools Consortium <u>(click for details)</u>.

Teacher Grants Awarded

The PTO is excited to launch a teacher grants program this year called Classrom Cash. Using PTO funding and contributions from HEB and Chick-fil-A, we were able to award the following grants for the Fall semester:

- Interactive Learning Garden
- Classroom Games for Dyslexia Reading Lab
- 4th Grade CORE Program
- Teacher Training Materials for Math Specialist
- Bus Behavior Panther Style Program
- 4th Grade Presidential Election Booklets
- Hand Sanitizer Stations

If you would like to learn more about the Classroom Cash program, please contact Kara Holmgreen karamh@suddenlink.net or Jodi Warner jodiwarner@gmail.com

Thank you to Dickey's Barbecue for supporting our school!

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PCE Student Council is Back!

Congratulations to our new Student Council Representatives! This year they will be learning leadership through organizing the Dollar Dress Up Days to raise money for the Pebble Creek scholarships and by assisting other Pebble Creek groups in their philanthropic events.

Our 4th grade representatives are:

Ashlyn Abegglen Cade Cannon Cate Killingbeck Azlee Mann Elise Sawyer Libby Scott Kavla Tomlinson Lauren Turner Kendall Waguespack Alex Wall

Yearbook Photos Needed!

favorites to the yearbook website.

Go to images.balfour.com Project number: 326985

Password: panthers

Give your name and email, then upload your pictures.

PLEASE...

- 1. Crop the photo.
- 2. Orient the photo the correct way.
- 3. Choose just a few of your best of each event.

Relay for Life Fundraiser

This year the Relay for Life team will begin collecting & recycling used cell phones, ipods, game systems, laptops, & digital cameras. The cell phones are either recycled for their precious metals, or refurbished for re-use. You can drop those items off in our Cell Phone Recycling box on your way to Morning Assembly. Our Relay for Life team will receive **\$1-\$3** for every item recycled, which adds up fast!



Our 3rd grade Representatives are: Maura Ballard **Christian Dalsing** Porter Garner Kellv He Will Sharpe Zachary Wang Mason Wareing

Order Your Yearbook Now!

As you take photographs of events, upload your YEARBOOK ORDERS WILL ONLY BE OFFERED AT THIS TIME, SO DO NOT MISS THE CHANCE TO ORDER! Your child's yearbook of memories is being sold for **\$18**. Order form and payment are due back to your child's teacher by Friday, October 26, 2012. Checks should be made out to Pebble Creek PTO. You can also order online at balfour.com.

> If you choose to order online there is a \$1.00 convenience fee that will go directly to Balfour.

ORDER DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26TH. Download the order form here.

Candy Cane Fun Run

The Candy Cane Fun Run is Saturday, **December 1st** from **9-10:30**. Santa will be there to take pictures and children visits. We will also be collecting food for the Brazos Valley Food Bank the week and the day of the event. The grade that collects the most food will win a popcorn party! T-shirt order forms will be sent home **Oct 22nd** and due back to the school on Nov 9th.

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Be Part of the Giving Tree

Make a difference in someone's day and be a part of our Giving Tree. The Giving Tree project began October 1st and will continue through the semester. This project encourages our students to embrace the idea "You are never too young to help others!" Be creative in thinking about your random act of kindness. Fill out an apple located by Mrs. Z's office describing what you did to benefit someone else. We will add your apple and picture to our Giving Tree! Here are some ideas to get started:

- Return shopping carts for other shoppers
- Volunteer at the local food bank or animal shelter
- Bring in a neighbors trash can
- Pick up trash at a local park
- Allow someone to go ahead of you in line
- Participate in a charity run/walk
- Collect items to send to soldiers overseas
- Write thank you notes to our policemen and firefighters

Wee Deliver has Started, Stamps Selected, Fall Postmasters Elected

Wee Deliver is open! A writing station with writing supplies is available in the front hallway next to the blue mailbox. We encourage everyone, students, parents, faculty and staff, to write letters. Remember to properly address your envelope with the recipient's name and address. All letters must have a return address. And don't forget the stamp! Pebble Creek stamps and a list of classroom addresses are available at the writing station. **Write On, Panthers!**

Wee Deliver October Stamp Winners:

Maggie Whitten (1st Guest) Avery Abegglen (1st Bohne) Ryker Rich (1st Edelmon) Alex Tucker (2nd Hay) Kateria Gooden (2nd Hay) Campbell Gattis (2nd Perez) Isabella Thompson (3rd Davidson) Madeline Holmgreen (3rd Walker) Alina Maknojia (3rd Hogg) Barton T. Melder (3rd Musser) Ally Pulnik (4th Anderson)



4th Grade Fall Postmasters (Pictured Above Left to Right)

Jude Lake (Adair) Davis Harrell (Adair) Abby Ross (Averitt) Jack Hamilton (Anderson) BJ Creighton (Anderson) Cooper McKenzie (Averitt) Julian Haynie (Westbrook) Jayce Ratliff (Westbrook) Brandon Bishop (Wier) Sutton Lake (Wier)

Review the PTO meeting minutes at <u>www.pebblecreekpto.org</u> for more details!