

Wallace Elementary

PTO Newsletter

Parents and Teachers working together to create Opportunities for our students

2014-15 School Year

April/May Edition

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 22
PBIS Celebration

May 26
**Last Day of School and
Wallace Picnic**

August 24
First Day of School

June 1
Leftover yearbooks to be
returned. We have a few extra
copies if you'd still like to
purchase one.

Recent Fundraisers' Impact on Wallace

We saw some great success from fundraisers this spring.

Original Works raised just over \$2,000 for our art department this year.

Our **Move-A-Thon** got the kids active and raised money to purchase STEM Makers Spaces for the school. Our kids worked hard to raise almost \$5,700!

Profits from our **BOGO Scholastic Book Fair** earned a little over \$100 that will be used to purchase rewards that kids can earn this summer through our Summer Reading Program (look for information coming home with your child and also via email).

Our last **Scrip** order of the school year earned just over \$200 that will go into our PTO budget for 2015/16.

More Ways to Help

Last call for Box Tops for Education for this school year! Send your Box Tops to school ASAP to ensure Wallace gets credit for those that will expire this summer and to prevent losing the stash you've been saving.

You can support Wallace PTO programs without even leaving your house by shopping at **AmazonSmile** (smile.amazon.com) and selecting Henry A. Wallace Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization Inc as the charity you'd like to support.

Another easy way to help is through **Target's Take Charge of Education®** program. Just select Wallace as your school and Target will donate 1% of your Credit or Debit REDcard purchases made at Target and Target.com.

Field Day Thanks

Mr. Johnson would like to thank everyone who volunteered and made Field Day a success this year. The kids wouldn't have this day if it weren't for our volunteers.

Safe Summer Tips

Helmet Safety

- Have your child wear a properly fitting helmet whenever he or she is “on wheels.” This means bicycles, scooters, skates, rollerblades, skateboards and more!
- Helmets can protect your child from serious injury and even save his or her life.
- Be a good example by wearing your helmets as well.

Dehydration and Heat-Related Illnesses

- Keeping well hydrated is very important.
- Do not wait until a child says he is thirsty before offering fluids. At this point, he is already dehydrated, so be sure to provide plenty of fluids before going outside, while out in the heat and afterwards.

Sun Protection

- Avoid sun exposure during peak sun hours (10 AM – 6 PM).
- Sunscreen is a must (on sunny and cloudy days)! Look for products with UVA and UVB protection and an SPF of at least 15 (according to the American Academy of Pediatrics and American Association of Dermatology).
- Sunscreen should be applied liberally 30 minutes before going out in the sun, and reapplied every two hours or sooner if swimming, sweating or towel drying off.

Water Safety

- Practice “touch supervision” (a term used by the American Academy of Pediatrics). This means that at all times, the supervising adult is within an arm’s length of the child being watched, when near or in the water.
- Remember, no child or adult is “drown proof.”
- Keep in mind that children can drown in many different water sources including: bathtubs, toilets, buckets, baby pools, backyard swimming pools, community pools, streams, creeks, lakes, rivers, oceans and other places.

Summer First Aid Kit

- Have at least one first aid kit at home that is well stocked and easily accessible, and keep one in your car.
- Don’t forget to restock the kit once an item has been used.
- Be sure to keep a list of emergency numbers where they are easy to find. This list should include: emergency medical services (911), the doctor’s number, the dentist’s number, poison control, a number where mom and/or dad can be reached and any other important phone numbers.

Everything is Awesome When You Donate to Our Future LEGO Club!

Wallace wants to start a LEGO club and needs your help! Please consider making a donation of new or used LEGO bricks. All donations are welcome and appreciated! Ebay is a great place to buy used ones if you’d like to donate but don’t have any lying around! (If you do have some lying around, watch your step!)



2015/16 Officers

At the May meeting, we elected our PTO officers for next year. They are:

Jackie Johnson, President
Marian Stimson, Vice President
Kristy Hoelscher, Secretary
Stacie Randall, Treasurer

Thanks for a Great Year!

Thanks to everyone who volunteered throughout the school year. Without you, our kids wouldn’t have nearly as many opportunities.

A special thank you to Cub Scout Pack 62 and everyone else who volunteered at last month’s Wallace Clean Up.