

2014-2015 School Year

October Newsletter

Wallace Elementary PTO

PTO Newsletter



Important Dates:

10/27-10/31- Red Ribbon Week

Monday- Wear Red

Tuesday- Work out clothes

Wednesday- Favorite Team

Thursday- Dress for Future Career

Friday- Dragon Spirit Gear or Wallace apparel

11/4- PTO Meeting
6:45pm LMC

11/10-11/18- Wallace Book Fair

11/11- 4th/5th Grade Chorus
Concert, 6:30pm JMS

11/13 and 11/18 – Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Please note that our November PTO meeting has been pushed up a week due to the 4th and 5th grade music concert on the 11th. The meeting will be Tuesday, November 4th at 6:45pm in the LMC at Wallace. Please join us if you are able! The new JCSD superintendent, Dr. Corey Lunn, will be speaking with us.

Also on the agenda: Fall Book Fair, Playground Equipment Update, Fall PTO Event.



Calling all Book Lovers!!!

Wallace Fall Book Fair is coming soon!

November 10th-18th to be exact.



Our Fall Book Fair profits are given to the Wallace teachers to add to their classroom libraries. During the fair, we will also be collecting money for the "All for Books" program. Money collected will be used in our community for donation of books to Johnston children.

Watch for a flyer with more details coming soon!

If you are able to help with the success of the fair by working a shift please visit:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4ca4a92ca7f58-fall>

New this year: Volunteers will receive a "buy 3 get 1 free" incentive for working the fair!

Box Tops are due for our
Fall collection!

Please return them to school
ASAP.

If you have a large donation it is very helpful if you check expiration dates and bundle in groups of 50. Please label the envelope - dates checked and the number of box tops- before sending to school.

Thanks!



Wallace Work Night is cancelled for November!

**We are looking into ways to increase attendance in coming months.
If you have any ideas please let us know. Thanks!**

October PTO Meeting Recap

These are not meant to be official meeting minutes, just meeting highlights

- There are multiple positions still open this year. If you are interested or would like to learn more contact us at wallaceptopres@yahoo.com for more information.
- We need a theme day chairperson! The theme is Science this year. We are looking at early February for the date.
- We are in need of a bylaw update. A committee will start work this month. If you are interested contact Jackie Johnson.
- Spring Read-A-Thon proceeds from last year will be used to purchase 5 or 6 Mimeos for Wallace. The remainder will be used to help fund Raz Kids purchase for all K-2 classrooms in the building.
- FAST Assessment details presented by Mrs. Pearson. These are reading only screenings that are done for K-3 grades. They will be assessed 3 times yearly. Student nonproficient in the standards will get intervention, including weekly progress monitoring. Wallace had a relatively low number of nonproficient students in the first round of screening. Nonproficiency will be addressed at fall conferences.
- Grant requests were reviewed and voted on. Total requested grant funds were less than the budget of \$3,000. All grants but 1,2 and 10 were fully funded. Raz Kids will be purchased for all classrooms in K-2 instead. We will look at feasibility of funding request # 10 for all students or not at all.
- Join us next month! Dr. Corey Lunn will be speaking at our meeting.

PTO Grant Request Summary

The description in () illustrates who would benefit from this grant.

- 1- Amy Thilges, Raz Kids subscription. \$99.95 (2nd grade classroom).
- 2- Kara Paulson, Raz Kids subscription. \$99.95 (2nd grade classroom).
- 3- Sonya Goodrich/Cindy Sonner, Reading A-Z website subscription. \$99.95 (Reading support students in focus groups).
- 4- Lisa Crotts, PBIS incentive prizes. \$300 (All Wallace students demonstrating wallace ways this year).
- 5- Lisa Tegels, Kindle E-Reader. \$113.99 (Can be checked out for any classroom in the building).
- 6- Mike Sandberg, Electric pencil sharpener. \$44.25 (5th grade classroom and teacher for this year and years to come).
- 7- Amber O'Brien- 3 Sets of Units of Study. \$532.50 (Entire 3rd grade team will use these materials).
- 8- Sarah Clausen- Rug for the classroom. \$161.46 (1st grade classroom this year and years to come).
- 9- Katie Young- Books for the classroom library. \$202.00 (4th grade classroom this year and years to come).
- 10- Katie Young- Scholastic book coupons. \$34.00 (4th grade classroom to take home reading material for summer).
- 11- Melissa Johnson- Books for the professional library at Wallace. \$395.71 (Resources for all K-5 teachers in the building).
- 12- Lisa Tegels- Lego Club start up materials. \$300 (Students interested in joining the club).

Do you like to shop Amazon? Did you know you could support Wallace PTO at the same time?! Visit: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/42-1527181> and shop Amazon as you normally would. 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be donated to Wallace PTO!



To our volunteers!

