

PTA FRIDAY BULLETIN

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September 25, 2009

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 28: Teacher Workday: No school

September 29: PTA Meeting: 8:30 a.m.

October 1&2: Picture Days

October 12-16: Book Fair

October 13: Pajama Night

October 15 & 16: Doughnuts with Dads and Dudes

October 21: Early Release: 12:30 p.m.

October 22: Chick-fil-A Night: 5:00-8:30 p.m. at Beaver Creek

October 23: Science Spectacular for grades 3-5

October 28: PTA Meeting: 8:30 a.m.

October 30: Teacher Workday: No school

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

*A student is counted tardy if he/she is not in class by the 8:20 a.m. bell. **Carpool closes at 8:17 a.m. in order to allow students to get to class in time.** If your child arrives later than 8:17 a.m., a parent/guardian needs to accompany the child into the office to be signed in.

*We kindly ask you to remember to sign in if you would like to accompany your child to class in the morning. We understand this can be a minor inconvenience; however, it is important to remember that this policy is to protect the safety of **ALL** students and staff at Apex Elementary.

REFLECTIONS CHAIR NEEDED

Apex Elementary needs a chair for Reflections. This year's theme is "Beauty is," and students would be encouraged to submit art based on this theme. We have two grade categories: Primary (K-2) and Intermediate (3-5). We also have these six possible art categories: literature, visual art, photography, musical composition, dance choreography, and film/videography. Both primary and intermediate students may submit an unlimited number of works in each category. If this sounds like something you would be interested in chairing, please contact Mary Casey at mimicasey@bellsouth.net.

2009 WAKE PTA HEALTHY LIFESTYLES 5K RUN/WALK

Wake PTA Council is happy to announce that online registration for the 2009 Wake PTA Healthy Lifestyles 5k Run/Walk is now open. This event, which is slated for Sunday, November 22, 2009, will take place once again at the NC State Centennial Campus in Raleigh. Race time is 3:30 p.m. with packet pick-up running from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at the race site. The PTA unit at the single elementary school, single middle school, and single high school with the highest number of registered participants for the Healthy Lifestyles 5k will win Healthy Lifestyles grant funding from the Wake PTA Council. Please visit www.pta5k.org for more details.

SCHOOL PICTURE DAYS

Thurs, October 1, GRADES K-2

Fri, October 2 GRADES 3-5



All students will be photographed; however, picture packages will be printed only for students that *bring their on-line order receipt OR their payment on picture day* (checks should be made out to Lifetouch). New for this year, there are two ways to order:

1. Pay on-line by credit card at mylifetouch.com, then print out your order receipt & send it to school on picture day.

OR

2. Enclose payment in the order envelope & send it to school on picture day.

The order envelopes with package pricing and information are being sent home in today's Friday folders.

Contact Lifetouch at 866-955-8342 with any questions.

PLEASE NOTE: IN CASE OF WCPSS DELAYED OPENINGS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, PICTURE DAY WILL BE RESCHEDULED.

CONTACT: Friday Bulletin deadline is each Wed. @3:00pm. Contact Diana Fierst at 362-9953 or dmfierst@yahoo.com. Our PTA President this year is Mary Casey at mimicasey@bellsouth.net

BOOK FAIR ART CONTEST!

Help us bring places around the world to Apex Elementary. This year's Scholastic Book Fair is "Destination Book Fair: Read around the World!" We are looking for student artwork showing foreign locations, people, or animals to help decorate the hallway walls. We will accept items no larger than 8^{1/2} x 14 inches with the student's name, grade, and teacher on the front. Please bring your entries to the front office no later than **Wednesday, September 30th**. Two winners will be chosen; one from grades K-2 and one from 3-5. Each winner will receive \$5.00 in Book Fair Bucks.



THE PTA NEEDS TUTORS!

The PTA offers a tutoring program for students who need extra help. Tutors can help by reinforcing letter sounds with kindergartners, helping second graders learn math facts, building confidence by listening to students read, and in many other ways. If you are interested in helping a child or a small group of children, please contact Deb Julian at 303-7186 or dmjulian1@earthlink.net. All it takes is a minimum of 1/2 hour to an hour per week and you can really make a difference in a child's life!

WONDERING WHAT TO HAVE FOR DINNER TONIGHT?

It's your lucky day! **Cougar Cuisine cookbooks** are now on sale in the office for only **\$1.00 each**. Contact Mary Casey at mimicasey@bellsouth.net if you have any questions. **Bon appétit!**

HELP! SANTA NEEDS A SLEIGH

Our 3rd graders need a few good elves (parents will do!) that could fashion a sleigh out of cardboard. They need 2 cardboard sidepieces for the sides of the sleigh and a front piece for the front of the sleigh. They also need 2 signs: one with "North Pole" and one with "Western Territory" written on them. If you can help please, email Mrs. Baas, Apex Elementary's music teacher, at jbaas@wcpss.net.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB INSTRUCTOR VOLUNTEERS

We are in the process of planning our fall after school clubs for grades 3 - 5. Do you have a passion, talent, or interest that you would like to share with our Apex Elementary students? Why not become an instructor for one of our after school clubs? We are looking for ideas for clubs, or perhaps you would like to be an instructor at one of these clubs: *cooking, robotics, science, lacrosse, jump-rope, drama, or cheerleading.*

We need volunteer instructors to make our after school club program a success, and, without you, it will not be possible. We are planning the following club dates:

October 22nd and 29th, and November 5th and 12th from 3-4 p.m.. Please

e-mail Jean Erlemann at gerlemann@aol.com or Karie Garner at krq@nc.rr.com by **Friday, Sep. 25th**. This is a great way to make a huge contribution to our school. Thank you!

**All volunteers must be cleared by the Wake County School System with a level four clearance.
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CAROLINA BALLET

Carolina Ballet is once again offering special student rates for students and their families to attend Carolina Ballet performances. All performances will be held at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. Performances include:

Nutcracker - \$25

Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 26, at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 27, at 2:00 p.m.

Messiah - \$20

Wednesday, Nov. 25, at 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 28, at 2:00 p.m.

Romeo and Juliet - \$20

Saturday, April 24, at 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 8, at 2:00 p.m.

In addition **Raleigh Dance Theatre** will present Story Book Tales and Spring Repertoire to students and family members.

Story Book Tales - \$12

Saturday, Oct. 10, at 11:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 11, at 3:00 p.m.

Spring Repertoire - \$12

Saturday, Mar. 20, at 2:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

North Carolina Symphony is offering discount tickets for select performances of Phantom of the "Orchestra." Performances to be held on Oct. 31st at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10. For more information on any of the performances please contact Liz Duin at 468-7166 or e-mail derekkliz@bellsouth.net.



NO SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 28 TEACHER WORK DAY