

PTA FRIDAY BULLETIN

APEX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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November 9, 2007



DATES TO REMEMBER

November 2007 Important Dates

12 Veteran's Holiday - NO SCHOOL

13 Family Reading Night 6-7:30 pm,
Media Center

21-23 Thanksgiving Holiday - NO
SCHOOL

28 After School Club Day 3:05-4:10

AN INNISBROOK THANK YOU!!

Thank you, to everyone who participated in the Innisbrook Fundraiser this year!!

Innisbrook orders have been picked up or sent home with your child (if the child was old enough to manage the order). Please review the order this week, and contact us if any items are damaged or missing. Innisbrook will work with us to fix any orders this and next week. You must contact us by Friday, November 16th, with any issues, questions or returns.

Again, thank you for helping Apex Elementary raise funds for the many programs the PTA runs for your children!

ATTENTION 4TH GRADE PARENTS

Do you want to know more about the North Carolina 4th Grade Writing Test that is given March 4, 2008? Do you want to know more about 4th Grade writing at Apex Elementary? Do you want suggestions on ways to help your child with 4th grade writing? There

will be a Writing Workshop for 4th Grade Parents on Wednesday, November 28 from 7:00 - 8:15 pm in the Apex Elementary Media Center. Connie Shay, the Instructional Resource Teacher, will present information about 4th Grade writing and the test at this workshop. This workshop is for parents only and there will be no child care provided. Look for the flyer to come home soon and mark your calendars for this date.

SIGN-IN REMINDER

A friendly reminder that *everyone* coming into the school needs to sign in and get a "Visitor" or "Volunteer" name tag. For most of us, that's the routine, but during morning car pool, some forget this step. Mrs. Baas has been doing a great job of reminding us, but many people have questioned her about this. It is the school policy, as well as the policy of Wake County Public Schools, that we use this sign-in process for all visitors and volunteers. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

HELP WANTED

Our school's PBS (Positive Behavior Support) committee is looking for a parent volunteer. The committee meets once a month on Wednesdays from 3:20-4:20. The committee is looking for parent input. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Pratt at bpratt@wcpss.net or 387-2150

GROWTH & PLANNING NOTE

We've scheduled three Community Engagement meetings to discuss potential student assignments for the 2008-09 school year.

The date/time/places are as follows:

Nov 13th, 7-9 p.m.,

Knightdale High

Nov 15th, 7-9 p.m.,

Sanderson High

Nov. 27th, 7-9 p.m.,

Middle Creek High School

At all three meetings we will share information about current school conditions, the locations of the three new schools opening summer 2008, and the multi-year implications of opening 12 additional schools funded in the current building program.

We invite parents, teachers, and interested members of the community to attend the meetings and share with us their questions and suggestions related to how and why and where students are assigned to school.



HELP WANTED

Volunteers needed: Mrs. Barbara Smith, our CCI teacher for 1st and 2nd grade, does not have any parent volunteers this year for her class due to their work schedules. She needs help with her language arts centers M-F from 9:00-11:00 am. You can set your own schedule and work 1x a month or 1 day every week. If interested, please contact Mrs. Smith at bsmith2@wcpss.net

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After school clubs are up and running and I would like to thank all of the volunteers and instructors who helped get them off to a flying start. Our next club date is Wednesday 28th November, so please mark your calendars. If you have any questions regarding after school clubs please do not hesitate to call me on 919 461 2430 or e-mail me at Kazmacg@bellsouth.net

WHAT IS COUGAR CARE?



Cougar care is a babysitting co-op that is run for the use of parents who wish to volunteer at school but have younger children who need to be kept safe and happy while their parent is volunteering. Please contact Sarah White at 303-6638 or dsmv1915@nc.rr.com for more information.

REFLECTIONS

Get Your Reflections Packets!
'07-'08 Theme: *I can make a difference...*

Go to www.apexesreflections.org
to download art contest packets.

It's November, and the national PTA Reflections Art Contest is rolling along. Cougars who wish to participate in this year's annual contest should visit Apex Elementary's official Reflections Website for information, tips, important dates, submission guidelines, and entry packets.

If you can make a difference then it's time to get creative! Express your good deeds or ideas through visual arts, literature, photography, musical composition, dance choreography, and film/videography. Cougars may submit an unlimited number of works in as many categories as they wish. All work will be professionally judged according to age group- Primary (K-2) or Intermediate (3-5).

Submissions are due between November 19-30. Winners and honorable mentions will be announced at the annual **Reflections Gala on December 17.**

Access the AES Reflections Website by clicking on the Reflections link on our school's homepage, or go directly to www.apexesreflections.org .