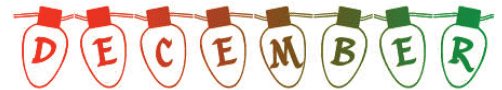


President's Message



The Holiday season is upon us and everyone seems to be busier than ever. Thank you to all those who have taken time out of their busy schedules to support and volunteer for various PTA activities. Your time and support is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the 5th grade teachers and everyone who attended our Buona Beef night on December 1st. Buona Beef donated 25% of our total sales and sent us a check for \$286. Wow what a great turn out. Our next family dinner night will be January 18th at Cici's.

I hope everyone enjoyed the Holiday Shop. Thank you to Janelle White and all the volunteers that worked so hard to make this a success. This was a great opportunity for our children to participate in some safe, fun shopping for their family and friends.

The Holiday parties are scheduled for Friday, December 17th. Thank you to all the volunteers who have been busy planning and organizing these parties. I'm sure the kids are very excited to see what exciting activities are planned for their class.

Our annual Fun Fair will be Saturday, January 22nd from 11-3:00pm. Lots and lots of volunteers are needed. If you can help out from 11:00am-1:00pm or 1:00pm to 3:00pm please contact Maria Deboer at: mebadeboer@yahoo.com. This is a day of fun and games for the kids. Of course, we will have our wonderful raffle baskets too. We hope you can join us for a fun-filled day.

I hope you and your families have a wonderful Holiday break.

Tracy Olivas
PTA President
tracymolivas@comcast.net



Principal's Message

December/January 2010

Dear Wolf's Crossing Families,

I can't believe how quickly this year is flying by! I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving break, full of family and friends and relaxation. Conferences are over, and students are full swing into their classes. One of the many reasons that we have a great school is the way that students, teachers and parents work together to form an educational partnership. When this partnership forms, I have never found an issue that could not be solved. I appreciate the work of students, parents and staff in working together!

While we work hard at the academics at Wolf's Crossing, we also put forth a lot of effort in promoting positive character development in our students. Every Monday our students begin the school day by reciting our "Character Pledge". We also focus on a different character pillar each month, (December is Caring and January is Fairness) with an example of how to show the pillar shared with students each day during our daily announcements. In addition, we have many classroom activities and colorful posters throughout our school reinforcing to our students the importance of positive character.

We truly feel that developing positive character within our students, along with solid academic skills, will give our students the skills they need for future success. We truly appreciate the support our community provides in developing positive character within our students!

I hope that all of our families have a safe and happy holiday season!

Keith Griffin
Interim Principal



PTA NEWS

Rebate Skate at Aurora Roller Skate Center
34W113 Montgomery Road, Aurora 630-898-5830
www.skateaurora.com

On half days or no student attendance days, the Aurora Skate offers "Rebate Skate" to the local school districts. Families can have a fun and entertaining afternoon while earning money for the school. Be sure to say you are from Wolf's Crossing and the school will earn a dollar for each person.

District 308 Rebate Skate - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

January 14th and 17th

February 18th and 21st

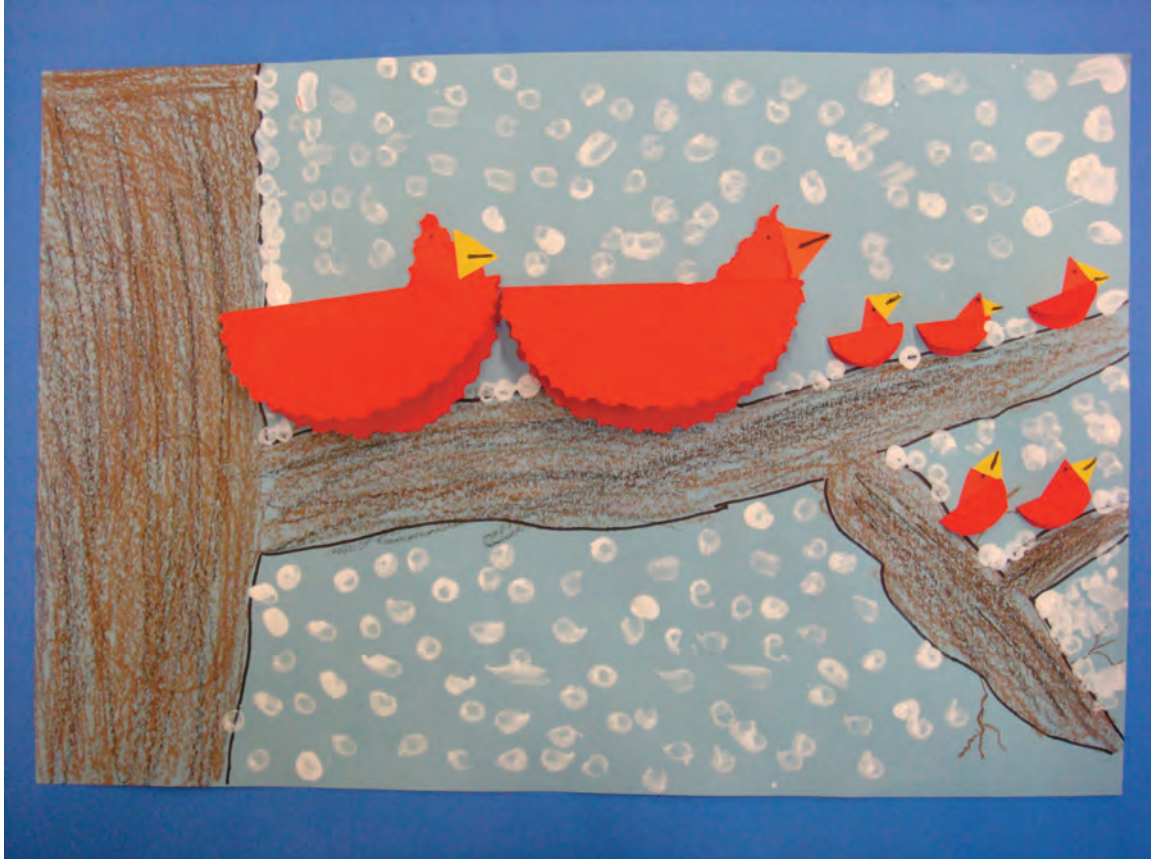
March 18th and 25th

April 22nd

Admission is \$5.00 for all matinees.

Artsonia information

Parents wanting their child's Artsonia key registration code, please e-mail Mrs Brown at Cbrown0825@oswego308.org. She will be happy to write back with the correct information.



PTA Notes

Spirit Wear Days!

Don't forget to show your Wolf's Crossing pride by wearing your new spirit wear. The following Fridays have been designated as Spirit Wear days:

Dec. 17th	Jan. 28th
Feb. 25th	March 25th
April 29th	May 27th

Would you like a Wolf's Crossing, vehicle magnet but forgot to purchase one? We will have some available. The cost is \$6 for 1 and \$10 for 2. Please contact Pat Kaiser at (630) 898-3124 or pat_kaiser@mac.com if you are interested in purchasing a magnet. They look great on file cabinets and refrigerator doors too!

Pat Kaiser and Traci Taylor

Market Day

We would like to thank everyone who has supported our Market Day sales so far this year. Remember, Wolf's Crossing receives 10% profit from every purchase, so take advantage of buying some delicious food while helping our school at the same time.

The next pick-up date is Thursday, January 13, 2011, from 6:00-6:45 pm in the gym. You can either fill out and return the order form to school by January 6th or easily place your order online at www.marketday.com by 11:00 pm on Monday, January 10th. When ordering online you can prepay using a credit card or indicate that you will pay with a check when you pick up your order.

Anyone who places an order in January will receive a FREE Book Bag Buddy (no qualifying dollar amount). Wolf's Crossing also has the opportunity to earn a \$250 Borders Gift Card to purchase books and/or other resource materials for the library. With your support, hopefully we can earn this great offer.

If you have any questions, please contact either Janice at janiceczepiel@hughes.net or Dawn at dawne712@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support!

*Janice Czepiel
Dawn Engel*

PTA Events

Junior Achievement Committee

1st, 2nd and 3rd grade classes will participate in the Junior Achievement program. JA is a nationwide nonprofit organization that presents important life skills through hands-on economic education lessons. Adults from the community volunteer to educate and inspire young people to value free enterprise, business and economics. Each class will have 5 lessons (one per week) for 25-45 minutes. The 1st grade curriculum will focus on "Our Families", the 2nd grade on "Our Community" and the 3rd grade on "Our City."

The kids just love the program, and it's a lot of fun to do, but we're always in search of great volunteers. So, if you're interested in helping out, please email or call Laurie Jendraszkiwicz at ljendras@yahoo.com or 630.220.8400.

Laurie Jendraszkiwicz

Hospitality Committee

A special thank you to all of the families that contributed to the Holiday Dinner in November. What a feast! Our next meal is scheduled for February 3rd and we are planning a Superbowl themed lunch that will include a Chili Cook-Off Contest. Do you have a great Chili recipe? If so, please consider bringing a crock pot of chili to enter the contest and share with the wonderful staff at Wolf's Crossing. Please contact me at mrsjen@msn.com if you have any questions or if you would like to contribute to the meal.

Jen Charapata

Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee wrapped up the fall season by going on scavenger hunts with the 4th grade "Go Green" club. Each class was hunting outdoors on the school grounds for items on their lists. The lists contained certain trees, plants, and seasonal items growing or "hidden" around the school. Each student received a reward after checking off everything on his/her list. The scavenger hunts were loads of fun!

After changing out the pots at the main entrance and the Character Counts pots in the back of the school for the holiday season the Beautification Committee will be taking a short winter nap until the first glorious signs of spring. The "Go Green" club will continue with their indoor recycling program and anxiously await our spring planting projects.

Many thanks to our fabulous 4th grade team and our beautification volunteers.

"The Earth laughs in flowers." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

Maureen Mills

PTA Events

Occasional Volunteer Committee

Throughout the year, we are always looking for new faces to help our kids along! This committee provides the school with volunteers for fall/spring pictures, vision/hearing screenings and our fall/spring book fairs! If you are looking for an opportunity that needs a minimal or flexible time commitment, this is for you. We maintain a list of parents interested in volunteering occasionally and call a month before we need volunteers to see if you're interested in the next activity. This is a great way to volunteer for just one day or several times throughout the year! For more information, please send an email to jenniferkastel@yahoo.com. Thanks!

Jen Kastel

Holiday Shop

A BIG thank you to all of our Holiday Shop volunteers and shoppers! The children really enjoyed buying presents for their friends and families! Please feel free to let me know if you have any suggestions regarding how to improve our shop next year.

Janelle White



PTA Events

Box Tops/Tyson/Campbell's Soup Labels

Don't forget to send in your Box Tops/Campbell's Soup/Tyson A+ labels! Please send the labels in Ziploc baggies with your child's name/teacher's name on it. You can also submit Box Tops on the collection sheets found on the boxtops4education.com website.

Thank you for your support! Let's have a successful year. For more information please email atmandrob@sbcglobal.net!

Mandy Robertson

Sock Hop/Food Drive

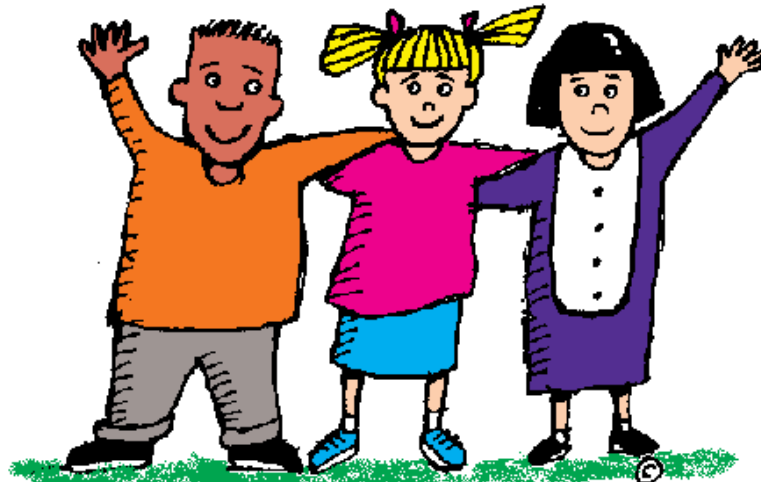
This year Wolf's Crossing's Sock Hop/Food Drive will be held on Friday, February 4th. The children will have a great time dancing with friends and we will be having a raffle for prizes. Raffle tickets will be in conjunction with our food drive - donate items and receive a ticket.

Janelle White

Fun Fair Raffle Basket

Attention Wolf's Crossing Parents.... It's almost FUN FAIR RAFFLE BASKET TIME!!! Please be on the look out for more information about your child's Fun Fair Classroom basket for our Fun Fair Basket raffles. As many of you know, every year each classroom is presented with a theme and the parents are asked to donate an item to the basket or make a monetary donation in which items will be purchased for you for that basket. A flyer will go home soon with the list of themes for each classroom. Please send in your items or cash (or check made payable to Wolf's Crossing PTA) to your child's classroom. If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Freveletti at alfrevs@sbcglobal.net.

Andrea Freveletti



FUN FAIR

5th Annual FUN FAIR

Saturday, January 22nd, 2011

11:00am - 3:00pm

Mark your calendars, we are planning a wonderful day for you and your whole family. If you would like to be a part of this wonderful day, please fill out the Fun Fair forms on this newsletter. Contact Maria DeBoer at mebadeboer@yahoo.com

Volunteers Needed

In order to have a great, succesful Fun Fair, we need the help of many volunteers. If you are able to work a shift please fill out the form below and return it to school on December 17. Anybody in your family can help, children if they come with their parents, grandparents, uncles, family friends, etc.

All our volunteers will receive:

- _ Free lunch (before or after their shift)
- _ Free raffle ticket to a Volunteer only basket
- _ 20 free ticket punch card



If you have any questions please contact Maria DeBoer - mebadeboer@yahoo.com

Rhonda Jorgensen - rhondajorgensen@comcast.net

Please return this portion in an envelope mark PTA FUN FAIR by December 17.

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

E-mail address: _____

1st Shift 10:30am-1:15pm _____

2nd Shift 1:00pm-3:30pm _____

Both Shifts _____

IF YOU CAN'T NOT WORK A SHIFT BUT WILL LIKE TO BE INVOLVED SOME OTHER WAY.....

We need 2 litter soda bottles and treats for the RingToss and Cake Walk games. These games are very succesful in the Fun Fair, so the more we have the longer we can offer them.

I will donate # _____ litter of soda.

I will donate # _____ treats.

Name: _____ Phone # _____



These items can only be delivered in the week of **January 17**, please leave them in the front office.

FUN FAIR

5th ANNUAL FUN FAIR

Saturday, January 22, 2011 - 11:00am to 3:00pm

ADVANCE TICKET SALE



As some of you know, we now have **PUNCH CARDS** instead of the tickets in our effort to keep the FunFair a little bit green. We have punch cards with 10 numbers or 20 numbers. Each of these numbers represents one ticket. Every time you play a game one number will be cross out.

The advance tickets (punch card) sale is an easy way to help you avoid long lines and save money.

IF YOUR CHILD EARNED A WRIST BAND FROM THE FUNDRAISER IT WILL BE SENT HOME THE WEDNESDAY BEFORE THE FUN FAIR

Please fill out this form and return it with payment in an envelope mark PTA FUN FAIR to your child's teacher by December 17. Make checks payable to Wolf's Crossing PTA.

Child Name: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher's Name: _____



# of Punch Cards	Price	Total
_____ 10 Punches	\$2.00	\$ _____
_____ 20 Punches	\$4.00	\$ _____
	Total Amount Paid	\$ _____

Questions please contact Maria DeBoer: mebadeboer@yahoo.com

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Informative and Useful Websites

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National PTA: wraw.pta.org
Market Day: wraw.marketday.com
General Mills (boxtops): wraw.boxtops4education.com
Tyson foods: wraw.tyson.com/projectAplus
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