

Jeffreys Grove Magnet | PTA NEWSLETTER

Jeffreys Grove families,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday! I was able to enjoy some much needed downtime before we get into the busyness of the Holiday Season; can you believe there are only 3 weeks left until Winter Break!?

If you're starting your Holiday shopping and need some gift ideas for JG Teachers & Staff, <u>click</u> <u>here to find staff favorites.</u>

Teachers & Staff - Please click here to complete the Favorites form if you haven't already.



From the desk of... Principal Ventura!

We hope everyone enjoyed the pace of the Thanksgiving Holiday! It won't be very long before the Holidays are here, and we are out for winter break!

<u>Click here</u> to read more from my December Newsletter. Highlights include:

- Counselor's Corner
 - December Positivity Project Focus
 - Parent Resource Guide for SEL
- Academic Updates
 - Istation's Indicators of Progress (ISIP)
- Magnet Information
- Important Dates



Save the Date!

December 2nd-6th - 5th Grade Batik Residency

December 5th - BAC Meeting (Topic: Curriculum)

December 6th - Last day for READVolution

December 20th - Makeup Day

December 23-31 - Winter Holiday (No School)

APTT SCHEDULE

- 3rd grade Dec 12 5:30-6:30
- 5th grade Dec 4 5:30-6:30
 - Mrs. Jacobs will provide an overview of the Middle School Transition Process at 5:00pm.

Stay up to date with our MemberHub calendar.

Click here for the Safety Patrol list

Click here for past PTA Newsletters

Sunday, December 1st 2019



Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Survey - <u>Click here</u>

Morning Carpool Duty - <u>Click here</u>

<mark>Cafeteria Duty</mark> - <u>Click here</u>



Media Center Volunteers

<u>Click here for the Library Volunteer</u> <u>Signup</u> New to volunteering in the library? Email Erin Reis at <u>erinbreis@gmail.com</u> and she will coordinate training.

Additional Media Center Help

- Lego donations have some old legos laying around that your children no longer use? Please consider donating them to the Media Center. - She has only requested bricks
- **Signs** Have a Cricut or Graphic Design skills? She would like to spruce up the Media Center with some updated signage.

Open PTA Committee Positions

Passive Fundraising Chair, Book Fair Committee Volunteer, Spring Festival Coordinator (shadow for 2020, take over 2021)



5th Grade Environmental Club Volunteer 5th grade is in need of at least 2 volunteers (more welcome) to oversee an Environmental club at school. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Mrs. Vicinus at tvicinus@wcpss.net_and Mrs. Jacobs at bjacobs@wcpss.net. Thank you in advance!

Girls on the Run Coaches

<u>Click here</u> for more information. Contact Mrs. Jacobs at



bjacobs@wcpss.net if you are interested.

Batik Help Needed

You do not need to be a 5th grade parent to volunteer. Parents often are able to make their own Batik pieces if they volunteer on multiple days! This is a very fun and rewarding volunteer opportunity. <u>Click to sign up - Batik Week</u>

Interested in learning more about any of the above referenced opportunities? Email me at <u>JGPTAPresident@gmail.com</u>



Advocacy

The next District 7 BAC (Board Advisory Council) Meeting is **Thursday, December 5 at 6:30pm at the new Parkside Elementary.**

The topic for the evening is WCPSS Curriculum and Standards across the grade levels. Speakers include Sherri Miller, Director of K-12 Literacy, and Michelle Tucker, Director of K-12 Math.

Click here for more information

Please RSVP by Dec 2 if you plan to attend: <u>bit.ly/district7dec5</u>

Silent Auction

READvolution



We are excited to once again partner with the Carolina Hurricanes to implement <u>**READvolution**</u> at Jeffreys Grove.

READvolution end date has been extended to **December 6th**. Login to enter your child's reading ASAP!

<u>Click here</u> for instructions on how to help your child log in to record their reading. Para obtener instrucciones en Español, <u>haga</u> <u>clic aquí</u>.

Silent Auction is a week long fundraiser in March 2020 that runs online and ends with a "Parent's Night Out"* event at a local restaurant. Auction items include signed sports memorabilia, music lessons, gift cards, vacation homes, teacher times**, etc. But to make this event a success, **we need your help**! The earlier we start, the more successful the event!

If you are willing and able to solicit donations, please sign up for a local shopping center <u>here</u> or contact Sarah Edge at <u>JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com</u>. She will send you a script to use when you are asking for donations and our non-profit tax information.

Not interested in soliciting donations from strangers? No problem! Do you own a small business? Do you have a friend who owns a small business? Do you know a chef, dentist, landscaper, photographer, interior designer, etc.? Do you have a beach/lake/mountain house you would be willing to donate? Even if you don't own a small business, do you have a skill someone may find valuable? Contact Sarah if you're interested in providing a donation. All ideas are welcomed and appreciated!

*"Parents Night Out" is an adult only event - Location to be disclosed soon.

** Teacher times are experiences your child participates in with a teacher/staff member after school hours.



Cultural Arts

This week JGMES will bring in a resident artist to work with our fifth graders on creating Batik inspired pieces. Once again <u>Leni Newell</u> will be returning to work with our students. She is truly amazing!

What is Batik?

Batik is the art of decorating cloth by using wax and dye, which has been practiced for centuries in countries such as Java and Indonesia. "To make a Batik, selected areas of the cloth are blocked out by brushing or drawing hot wax over them, and the cloth



is then dyed. The parts covered in wax resist the dye and remain the original color. This process of waxing and dying can be repeated to create more elaborate and colorful designs. After the final dying, the wax is removed and the cloth is ready for wearing or showing." - <u>https://www.batikguild.org.uk/batik/what-is-batik</u>

Cool. What can I do to help? So glad you asked!

First, please send in any newspapers that you have, minus the shiny ad inserts. We will need quite a bit during the Batik process. There will be boxes outside the art room where the paper will be collected.

Secondly, during Batik week, you can come in and help students with the Batik art. **You do not need to be a 5th grade parent to volunteer**. Parents often are able to make their own Batik pieces if they volunteer on multiple days! This is a very fun and rewarding volunteer opportunity. **See the sign up for more details -** <u>Batik Week</u>





Book Sponsorships

In an effort to stock our Eaglets Media Center with an abundance of books, while also completing some of the other proposed projects, the PTA is offering Book Sponsorships!

What is the Cost?

Sponsorships are \$25 for one (1) or \$100 for five (5).

What am I actually buying?

Your sponsorship will cover the cost of the new book, book plate, printing service, and the protective covering for the book plate.

What will the Book Plate say?

"This book donated by the (your name) Family"

Click here for more information.

SpiritWear

To order, email

JGPTASpiritWear@gmail.com.

Specify what style, size, and quantity you would like. Send payment in with your child and the Spirit Wear coordinator will send the items home in your child's backpack. Thanks!

Sizes/Pricing



If we reach our **Book Initiative goal** of \$20k, every student will receive one (1) book plate.



Style: Retro

T-Shirt Designs

JEFFREYS GROVE

MAGNET ELEMENTARY

Style: State



Business Sponsors

We appreciate ALL of our Jeffreys Grove Business Sponsors; **THANK YOU**!

We'd like to give a special shoutout to our **Platinum Sponsors!**















Interested in becoming a JG Business Sponsor? We have levels to fit every business. Email <u>JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com</u> for more information.



Jeffreys Grove Important Dates 2019-2020

December

2-6 5th Grade Batik Residency*20 Makeup Day for Hurricane Dorian23-31 Winter Holiday

<u>January</u>

1-3 Winter Holiday
6 Back to School
19 Spirit Night-Triangle Rock Club
20 Holiday
28 PTA Meeting - 6pm (Internet Safety talk)*
29 Teacher Work Day - No School

February

- 10-14 Staff Appreciation Week*
- 12 Spirit Night (TBD)*
- 17-18 Holiday/ Teacher Work Day
- 25 Skate Night*

<u>March</u>

- 9 Teacher Work Day No School
- 16 Spirit Night The Kitchen Table at Relish

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- 16 PTA Meeting 9:30am @ The Kitchen Table at Relish*
- 26 Parents' Night Out/ Silent Auction*

<u>April</u>

- 6-13 Spring Break
- 20-24 3rd Grade Drumming Residency*
- 23 World Book Day
- 24 Spring Festival*

<u>May</u>

- 1 Teacher Work Day No School
- 11-15 Book Fair*
- 14 End of Year Picnic*
- 14 PTA Meeting Vote in new Board*25 Holiday No School
- TBD EOGs

<u>June</u>

TBD Super Kids Day (Field Day) 12 Last Day of School



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