



Jeffreys Grove Magnet | PTA NEWSLETTER

Sunday, December 8th 2019

Jeffreys Grove families,

I hope you had a wonderful weekend! I feel like the year is flying by; only a few more weeks until it's 2020 (can't wait for a year of puns...) :) If you're starting your Holiday shopping and need gift ideas for JG Teachers & Staff, [click here to find staff favorites](#).

Teachers & Staff - [Please click here](#) to complete the Favorites form if you haven't already.

Room parents - If you notice your teachers "Favorites" are **not listed**, please forward them the link to fill out the survey. - Thanks!



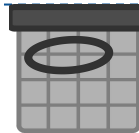
From the desk of... **Principal Ventura!**

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See my write up under the "Advocacy" section listed on page 3 of this weeks PTA Newsletter.

Also, please note that the last day of school has been moved to December 20th due to hurricane Dorian.

[Click here](#) for Mrs. Venturas newsletters.



Save the Date!

December 20th - Makeup Day
December 23rd-31st - Winter Holiday
January 1st-3rd - Winter Holiday
January 6th - Back to School

APTT SCHEDULE

- **3rd grade - Dec 12 5:30-6:30**

Stay up to date with our [MemberHub calendar](#).

[Click here](#) for the **Safety Patrol** list

[Click here](#) for past **PTA Newsletters**

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Survey - [Click here](#)

Morning Carpool Duty - [Click here](#)

Cafeteria Duty - [Click here](#)

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Media Center Volunteers

[Click here for the Library Volunteer](#)

[Signup](#) New to volunteering in the library? Email Erin Reis at erinbreis@gmail.com 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.

Silent Auction Help

We need donations - Please sign up to solicit donations from one of the listed shopping centers - [Click here to help](#)



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

[Click here](#) for more information. Contact Mrs. Jacobs at bjacobs@wcpss.net if you are interested.



Open PTA Committee Positions

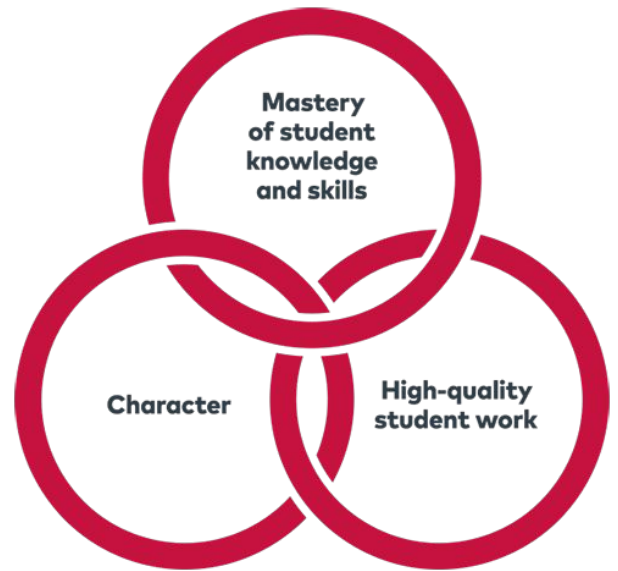
Passive Fundraising Chair, Book Fair Committee Volunteer, Spring Festival Coordinator (shadow for 2020, take over 2021)

Interested in learning more about any of the above referenced opportunities?

Email me at JGPTAPresident@gmail.com

Advocacy

This past Thursday, PTA President Cheri Thomas and I attended the District 7 BAC (Board Advisory Council) monthly meeting. (These meetings are open to all and cover a range of topics, from student assignment to academics and community resilience.) The topic this month was **Curriculum**, and Dr. Miller, Director of K-12 Literacy, was the guest speaker.



Dr. Miller reviewed the timeline and process our district followed leading up to the adoption of our current ELA (English Language Arts) curriculum resources: [EL](#). The process was not a quick one, and it involved field testing and input from parents, educators and the community. We learned that [EL](#) rose to the top because it has the highest ratings, and it is used by over 500 school districts for its text complexity, diverse perspectives and scaffolds for learning.

What does this mean for my child in the classroom? - “Mastery of knowledge and skills”, “character education”, and “high quality student work”, are at the center of the [EL](#) lessons we teach in our classrooms everyday. The year is divided into 4 modules; each module has 3 units. Each unit begins with building background knowledge, which then develops extended reading and research, and concludes with extended writing. You'll see students reading, thinking, talking and then writing, using a variety of protocols that promote active student discussions. The [EL](#) curriculum also comes with built-in assessments and multiple opportunities for students to show their learning in a variety of ways (not just multiple choice testing).

How can I support my child at home? - On our Jeffreys Grove website, under the Parents tab, we invite you to visit the “[Homework Resources](#)”. Here you'll find module highlights organized by grade level in English and Spanish.

Our next BAC meeting is scheduled for February 6 at 6:30pm at Hilburn Academy. The topic will be **Community Resilience and Social/Emotional Learning**. We hope you'll join us!

- Mrs. Ventura, Jeffreys Grove Principal

Silent Auction

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 [here](#) or contact Sarah Edge at PTAFundraising@gmail.com. She will send you a script to use when you are asking for donations and our non-profit tax information.

Have a shopping center or business in mind that isn’t listed? Email Sarah to see if we’ve already got someone on it, or if it can be added!

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!

DONATION REQUESTS

^{*}“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.

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.

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

[Click to
Sponsor a
Book](#)

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

T-Shirts (Youth Sizes S-XL): \$10

T-Shirts (Adult Sizes S-XXL): \$15 \$20

Hoodie (Youth Sizes S-L & Adult Sizes S-XL):

Visors: \$12

Hats: \$10

T-Shirt Designs



Style: [State](#)



Style: [Retro](#)



Style: [Visor](#)



Style: [Hat](#)



Style: [Hoodie](#)

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!*



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Cara Pierce
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REALTOR
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Jeffreys Grove Important Dates 2019-2020

December

20 Makeup Day for Hurricane Dorian
23-31 Winter Holiday

January

1-3 Winter Holiday
6 Back to School
19 Spirit Night-Triangle Rock Club
20 Holiday
28 PTA Meeting - 6pm*
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*

March

9 Teacher Work Day - No School
16 Spirit Night - The Kitchen Table at Relish
& Menchies*
16 PTA Meeting - 9:30am @ The Kitchen Table at
Relish*
26 Parents' Night Out/ Silent Auction*

April

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

May

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

June

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



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