

Jeffreys Grove Magnet | PTA NEWSLETTER

Jeffreys Grove families,

Sunday, March 10, 2020

Due to the notice released by Wake County Public Schools today concerning the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the PTA Board is evaluating our long list of outstanding events. We will let you know if anything is postponed/canceled in the coming newsletters. If you have strong feelings, for or against, let us know - <u>JGPTAPresident@gmail.com</u>.

We sympathize with the **First in Fitness students** who have worked so hard, but who will not have an opportunity to compete. First in Fitness is an assessment that is given to students in grades 2-5 consisting of 6 different tests: Shuttle Run, Long Jump, Speed Rope, 100 Yard Dash, Mile/Pacer, and Pull Ups. Coach Smith works with students during PE to determine who will represent Jeffreys Grove at the event. Tomorrow, top student athletes in each grade were scheduled to represent JG as they competed against other Wake County elementary schools. **This event has been canceled**.



From the desk of... Principal Ventura!

JG Families,

We understand you have concerns with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We want to assure you, we take our students safety very seriously. Jeffreys Grove Staff will continue to follow the recommendations of the Wake County Human Services Department and their Public Health Division in an effort to ensure your students are receiving the best education in the safest environment.

At this time all Field Trips, including First in Fitness, have been <mark>canceled.</mark>

<u>Click here</u> for updated information (last updated today, 3/10/20).



Save the Date!

March 11th - First in Fitness CANCELED

March 11th - Kinder APTT; 5:30-6:30pm

March 12th - 2nd Grade APTT; 5:30-6:30pm

March 16th - Spirit Day - The Kitchen Table at Relish & Menchies

March 16th - PTA Meeting - 9:30am @ The Kitchen Table at Relish

Stay up to date with our MemberHub calendar.

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<u>Click here</u> for Mrs. Venturas past Newsletters



Spirit Nights

March Spirit Night

The PTA's next **Spirit Day** will be **March 16th** at <u>The Kitchen Table at Relish</u> and <u>Menchies</u>.

KITCHEN TABLE CON BISCUITS - BREWS & BOARD GAMES

Nominating Committee

for next year. If you are interested in

the Volunteer Survey. A Nominating

have questions, feel free to email

JGPTAPresident@gmail.com.

The Nominating Committee is gearing up

becoming a **committee lead**, or interested

in a **Board position**, <u>click here</u> to complete

Committee member will contact you. If you

Visit the Kitchen Table at Relish between **9am-10pm**, or Menchies from **12pm-9pm** and let them know you are with Jeffreys Grove!

Need a venue for a business lunch, book club meeting, or just in the mood to try something new? Consider the Kitchen Table at Relish; they serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner, along with a unique experience!

PTA Meeting

Our next PTA meeting will be held at 9:30am on March 16th at the Kitchen Table at Relish. This will be an informal meeting where you can ask questions and provide feedback on ideas for next year.



Parents Night Out

We hope to see you at our adults only Parents Night Out event on **Thursday, March 26th, 2020** at the **Melting Pot** on Wake Forest Road in Raleigh, NC. Flyers will go home with students this week. <u>Click here</u> to purchase tickets!



Tickets are \$40ea and include salad, cheese fondue, chocolate fondue, two adult drink tickets (additional drinks are \$5 ea), and a \$25 gift card towards a future visit! (You are also supporting a JG family business!)

This event closes out our Silent Auction but you do not have to participate in the silent auction to attend the Parents Night Out event; likewise, you do not have to attend the event to participate in the Silent Auction.



Silent Auction

Silent Auction is a week long fundraiser in March that runs online and ends with a "Parent's Night Out"* event at the Melting Pot. Auction items include signed sports memorabilia, music lessons, gift cards, vacation homes, **teacher times****, Fast Pass parking***, and so much more!



Do you own a business? Do you have a friend who owns a business? Do you know a chef, dentist, landscaper, photographer, interior designer, etc.? Do you have a vacation home you would be willing to donate? Even if you don't own a business, **do you have a skill someone may find valuable**? ie. Tutoring, Social Media Marketing, Organizational addiction that you just want to share? **Have another idea for a donation but not sure if it's what we're looking for? We love unique ideas and experiences!** Contact Sarah at JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com with all of your donation ideas!

All ideas are welcomed and appreciated!

*"Parents Night Out" is an adult only event; ** Teacher times are experiences your child participates in with a teacher/staff member after school; *** Fast Pass parking lets you skip the carpool line and pull through the bus loop.

MemberHub Marketplace

Memberhub is introducing a new feature that benefits our PTA called the Marketplace. Here's how it works:

- Businesses in our community will list exclusive discounts on everyday purchases in our PTA eStore things like special deals at local restaurants, summer camp discounts, tutoring, exercise classes, and more.
- Purchase the deal and save money!
- 20% of the proceeds from every deal purchased will go directly back to the PTA!

You can find these deals in our MemberHub online store under the Sponsored Products tab.

<u>Click here</u> to support our PTA and save money with these new give back deals. Right now there are deals from **Uninhibited Tapas, Kim's Taekwondo Center, Rush Cycle and Crazy Glaze**!



Yearbook

Yearbooks are now available for pre-purchase. To create your yearbook account <u>click here</u>. Softcover yearbooks are \$15 after tax, hardcover books are an additional \$7.45 after tax. All yearbooks come with two FREE customizable pages at the end of the yearbook! (These pages will only be visible in your child's yearbook).

Once you have an account, you can upload photos via the web or **download the TreeRing app**. Please help us by dropping your photos in the appropriate folders by grade.



** IMPORTANT INFORMATION **

We are no longer using Picaboo; please DO NOT upload photos to Skipple. If you do not want to download the TreeRing app, you can email pictures to <u>JGPTAYearbook@gmail.com</u>. Please include as much information as you can - event, student names, teacher, etc.

- ➤If you upload photos for custom pages, please make them private otherwise the Yearbook committee may use them in other areas of the yearbook.
- ➤The PTA will not purchase additional yearbooks this year. You must pre purchase a book to receive one. We have 9 unclaimed books from last year. This is not a fundraiser so the money we spent is money lost. If you are unable to purchase a yearbook online for any reason, please contact Cheri Thomas at JGPTAPresident@gmail.com. If your child would like a yearbook but is unable to purchase one for financial reasons, please contact Mrs. Jacobs, the school counselor; the PTA will work with her to ensure students who want a yearbook are able to receive one.

Student Names

Some students go by a first name that is different from their legal name, or they have a hyphenated last name but only want one listed in the yearbook. If your student would like the name their peers know them by listed in the yearbook, please <u>click here</u> to complete the form. All changes must be submitted by March 31st.

Note: The name submitted must be the name they are known by at Jeffreys Grove.





Advocacy/Donation Requests

NOTE: The PTA is sharing information related to charitable collections that benefit our students, but the PTA is not responsible for the collection or distribution of money or items.

Cafeteria Account

The Angel Fund cafeteria account provides a full meal for students when their account is running low, or they've forgotten their lunch/money. If you would like to donate to this account, please send a check (made payable to Jeffreys Grove) or cash, with your student. Please put "Angel Fund" in the note section of the check, or on the outside of the envelope for cash donations, to ensure it is applied to the correct account.

Clothing

The front office is in need of boys XS and S pants.



Backpack Buddies

St. Mark's UMC has partnered with Jeffreys Grove Elementary for years, providing the food and volunteers for the Backpack Buddy bags that go home with approximately 9 Jeffreys Grove students each week (they deliver 36 bags to the school each month)! St. Mark's UMC has done their best to get the cost of each bag down as low as possible (\$5/bag -\$180/month), but the funding for this mission is critically low. With 13 weeks of bags left to pack before the end of the school year, they are requesting our help. If you would like to contribute to St. Mark's UMC Backpack Buddy program, there are two ways to give:

Online: https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=90543

In the "Select a fund" field SELECT BACKPACK BUDDIES.

By Mail: Make checks payable to St. Mark's UMC

4801 Six Forks Rd. Raleigh, NC 27609

Write BACKPACK BUDDIES in the memo line



St. Mark's is a 501c3 and will provide contribution statements at the end of the year. Please signify on checks and online that your donation is for Backpack Buddies; this ensures your donation is applied appropriately.



Cultural Arts

Next week will be a busy time for cultural arts! Starting Wednesday, March 18th, Jeffreys Grove will welcome <u>Silver Trout Arts</u> for two school-wide performances. Award-winning couple Timmy and Susanna Abell use multiple art forms - including music, storytelling, puppetry and poetry - to demonstrate that there are "**So Many Ways to Share A Story**". Performances include an original puppet fable (a captivating story without words, performed to live music on the hammered dulcimer), dramatic storytelling, and award-winning original songs



accompanied by music played on **seven different instruments - including concertina, penny whistle, guitar, banjo and ukulele**. There is even a Spanish-speaking sloth!! This performance incorporates the curriculum standards of writing narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events, and the use of movement, voice, and writing to communicate ideas and feelings. Most importantly, the concert **inspires students by offering a range of imaginative options for their own creative self-expression**.



Then on Thursday and Friday March 19-20th, our school will have an <u>American Indian History</u> <u>Residency</u>. Jeffreys Grove second graders will have the opportunity to work with <u>Senora Lynch</u>, a member of the <u>Haliwa-Saponi Tribe</u> of North Carolina. Senora Lynch will share the history, traditions, and art of her people. She will also explain how her tribe's stories and natural environment inspire her designs. Students will then

have the opportunity to participate in a **hands-on project**, **making a clay figure**. They will learn the steps involved in pottery making, what materials make up pottery, and how it is fired.

Thank You to the <u>United Arts Council</u> and the Jeffreys Grove PTA for making these cultural arts performances possible!

<u>Click to</u>

Sponsor a

Book

Style: Retro

T-Shirt Designs

JEFFREYS GROVE

MAGNET ELEMENTARY

Style: State



Book Sponsorships

Thanks to your generosity, we have reached the amount needed to overhaul the Media Centers collection of books! THANK YOU!

So why continue with Books Sponsorships?

On average, the PTA is able to donate \$2000 to the library each year, unfortunately this only equates to about 100 new books a year; once the lost/damaged books have been replaced, this doesn't leave much room for updating the collection. So the PTA will continue to accept book sponsorships in an effort to keep the collection as up to date as possible. All money raised through Book Sponsorships will only be applied to books.

What is the Cost?

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

What am I buying?

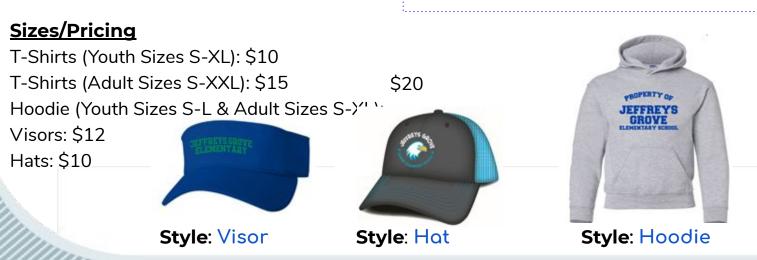
Your sponsorship will cover the cost of the new book, book plate (placed in the books thanking your family for your donation), printing service, and the protective covering for the book plate.

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!





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

<u>March</u>

- 11 First in Fitness
- 11 Kinder APTT; 5:30-6:30pm
- 12 3rd Grade Planetarium in-house Field Trip
- 12 2nd Grade APTT; 5:30-6:30pm
- 13 2nd grade field trip-Historic Oaks (immersion only)
- 16 Spirit Day The Kitchen Table at Relish & Menchies*
- 16 PTA Meeting 9:30am @ The Kitchen Table at Relish*
- 18 Cultural Arts performance- Silver Trout Arts*
- 18 5th Grade APTT; 5:30-6:30pm
- 19 4th Grade Symphony Field Trip
- 19 3rd Grade APTT; 5:30-6:30pm
- 19-20 2nd Grade Nat. American Indian Residency*
- 23 Kinder NCSU Talley Student Union-Eric Carle fav
- 24-25 5th Grade (Sullivan) Blue Jay Point trip
- 26 Parents' Night Out/ Silent Auction*

26 4th Grade APTT; 5:30-6:30pm

- 30-31 5th Grade (Cardello) Blue Jay Point trip
- 31-1 5th Grade (Vicinus) Blue Jay Point trip

<u>April</u>

- 1-2 5th Grade (Fuentes) Blue Jay Point trip
- 3 & 14 1st Grade Durant Nature Preserve trip
- 6-13 Spring Break
- 15 1st Grade APTT; 5:30-6:30pm
- 20-24 3rd Grade Drumming Residency*
- 21 2nd Grade Zoo field trip
- 23 World Book Day
- 24 Spring Festival*
- 27 4th Grade Carolina Beach/ Ft. Fisher field trip
- 28 3rd Grade W.B. Umstead Park field trip

<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

<u>June</u>

- 10 Super Kids Day (Field Day)
- 12 5th Grade Graduation
- 12 Last Day of School

End of the Year Testing Schedule

- June 1- 5th Grade Science
- June 2- 3rd and 4th ELA*
- June 3- 5th ELA*
- June 4- ELA* Makeups (all grades)
- June 5- 3rd and 4th Math
- June 8- RTA and 5th Grade Math
- June 9- Math Makeups (all grades)
- *ELA English Language Arts



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