



Jeffreys Grove Magnet | PTA NEWSLETTER

Jeffreys Grove families,

Our 5th Grade Students need your help!

If you have a 5th grader, please email a baby picture and a current picture to JGPTAPresident@gmail.com or respond to the newsletter email. We will use the pictures to create a slideshow.

We need Ideas - You don't have to be a 5th grade parent to share ideas!

If you have ideas concerning how 5th Grade Students can celebrate under the current circumstances, please email Mrs. Vicinus at tvicinus@wcpss.net.

Thanks in advance, and as always, know you're not alone, and **YOU are doing great!**



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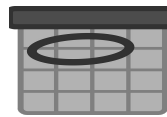
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Sunday, April 26th, 2020

If you did not receive Ms. Venturas Newsletter via text this afternoon, please contact the school to update your contact information.



Save the Date!

May 3rd - LAST DAY for Online Book Fair

May 3rd - LAST DAY to Upload Yearbook Pictures

May 29th - Last day for Silver Graphics Orders

Support Local Family Businesses

[Che Empanadas](#), [Salt & Lime](#), [Relish/The Kitchen Table at Relish](#), and [Milton's](#) are all offering takeout (and some have delivery options). All of these businesses have been huge supporters of Jeffreys Grove; in addition, [Che Empanadas](#), [Salt & Lime](#), and [Mobley's Shoes](#) are owned by Jeffreys Grove Families! Please consider ordering a meal or merchandise from them.

We want to do whatever we can to help support local family owned businesses during this uncertain time. **If you own a business** and would like us to get the word out, respond to the newsletter email or email JGPTAPresident@gmail.com



From the desk of...
Principal Ventura!

I hope this message finds you safe and healthy. As you know Governor Cooper announced on Friday that all public school buildings will remain closed for the remainder of the school year. While I am sure this did not come as a surprise to most, it does not mean it is any easier to hear it. We miss you and our kids more than you can imagine!



[Please click here to continue reading this week's Principal Newsletter.](#)



Digital Learning Resources

Shout out to our **Literacy Coach, Ms. Kelley**, for putting these tutorials together!

Links are coded: V- video, D - document, and W- website.

Some of our remote learning platforms include Google products. You can click on this [link \(D\)](#) to review some **Google Drive tips**. *Please make sure that your devices are all updated because your device will need to meet or exceed the minimum hardware requirements for programs to run properly.* At this [link \(W\)](#) you will find the **requirements for Istation**, which we will be using during remote learning.

It is of the utmost **importance that students login through their [WakeID Portal \(V\)](#)**. This is how students log into their [Google Classroom \(V\)](#) to complete assignments and [turn them in \(V\)](#). The **WakeID Portal** is also where students will see all of their icons for Brainpop, [Istation \(D\)](#), [Dreambox \(D\)](#), [Google meet \(D\)](#) etc. Here is a [summary sheet \(D\)](#) that lists which platforms are **accessed via the WakeID Portal vs. accessed through the internet**. The portal is a place students have visited often for a variety of activities.

Our teachers are here to help in anyway they can but [here \(W\)](#) you will find **technology support** for families provided by the county both in English and Spanish.



Open PTA Positions

Interested in becoming more involved with the JG PTA?
We currently have the following positions open for next school year:



Membership - develop new incentives & coordinate events

School Spirit Merchandise - propose designs, fill orders, coordinate events

Yearbook* - design & distribute the yearbook

Silent Auction* - coordinate item collection & create online auction using existing program

Go Play Save - coordinate sales (moving to online App sales)

Passive Fundraising/Grants* - Seek out opportunities & coordinate with Grant Writer

Spirit Nights* - contact businesses, create/distribute flyers, coordinate PTA representatives at the event

Cultural Arts - Schedule artists, coordinate events, assist artists as needed

Why should YOU become a committee lead?

- **Get Connected**; there's no better way to know what's happening in your school.
- Tap into a **Network** of parents
- **Speak Up**; we want to hear your ideas!
- Witness Improvement and **Be Part of It**.
- **Be a Role Model** for your child

The National Education Association studies show **parent, family, and community involvement in education correlates with higher academic performance and school improvement.**



Being a committee lead does not mean you do it all. The positions denoted with an "*" above can be managed from home at your convenience.

We have people who can make copies and deliver orders, but **we need people to coordinate and manage committees.** If you're interested contact us at JGPTAPresident@gmail.com.

We know your time is valuable and we respect that, but we can't make JG the best it can be without you!

Ends Sunday, Sunday May 3rd!!

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Book Fair

Even though our school is closed, we still want to make the Book Fair available for our school community.

Because JG is almost 50% Spanish Immersion, we've partnered with two great companies in an effort to accommodate all of our families!

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With so many great titles you are bound to find some things your kids will love to read during both remote learning and Summer break.

Silver Graphics

Ms. Shaffer, the Art Teacher, worked with each grade level on a special Art project that was then sent to Silver Graphics. Silver Graphics uploads the images and parents are then able to buy a wide range of items, personalized, with their child's art.

Even though we aren't physically in school, we didn't want you to miss out on the opportunity to preserve your child's art in a beautiful keepsake.

Follow the instructions on the flyer to order; all items will ship directly to your home.

Contact Silver Graphics directly for questions.

Order Online:

- Go to: <https://www.silvergraphics.com/shop/> and enter your **School Access Code: ART20JG**
- Search** for your art by class, teacher and student name

fundraising with heART at Jeffreys Grove Elementary



Order your child's art on these products!

Your child created awesome artwork for our SilverGraphics Fundraiser! You can view your child's art in our Online Art Gallery where you can select from a variety of personalized products like the one's featured on this page. These items make great one-of-a-kind gifts and collectibles. Don't miss this chance to take home a memento of your child's school year!

After you select your child's art, you can even upload more art and order from multiple pieces!

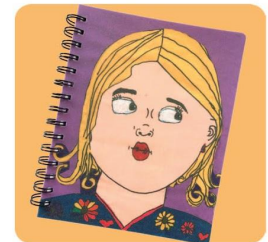
ORDER

View your child's art and place your order at:

<https://www.silvergraphics.com/shop>

Enter School Access Code: ART20JG

All orders will ship to your chosen address.



Yearbook

DON'T MISS OUT!

Yearbooks are now available for pre-purchase. To create your yearbook account [click here](#). 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).

**** IMPORTANT INFORMATION ****

- The PTA **will not purchase additional yearbooks** this year. **You must pre purchase** a book to receive one.
- 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 at biacobs@wcpss.net; the PTA will work with her to ensure students who want a yearbook are able to receive one.
- **Two Free Pages** - **Sunday, May 3rd, is the last day to design your two free pages! Don't miss out!**
- We have 9 yearbooks from last school year; if you would like to purchase a 2018-2019 yearbook, please reply to the newsletter email, or email JGPTAPresident@gmail.com.

Cultural Arts

Our long-time 4th grade Poetry Resident, [Micheal Beadle](#), reached out to us recently to share some ways to be creative.

Here are a few examples of quick writing games and ideas:

- Hink Pink -- rhyming words with hints (e.g. dripping dog = wet pet, empty seat = bare chair)
- Alphabet Capitals -- imagine what a letter looks like and write it down beside the letter (e.g. C looks like a mug handle, L looks like a shelf bookend)
- Idioms -- true stories behind phrases we often use (e.g. Ever had a "frog in your throat"? This expression comes from a Middle Ages custom in which a frog was placed in a person's mouth to suck out or inhale the hoarseness or sickness from the person's body)
- Scattergories -- topics for word lists starting with a given letter (e.g. cities, animals, things that are round)



Mr. Beadle is planning to set up video tutorials online soon to share with us, so stayed tuned!

Advocacy

From a free/discounted internet option to how to talk to your children about COVID-19; we hope these links provide you with the resources you need to adjust to our new “normal”.

[National PTA Resources](#)

[Wake County Updates](#)

[Jeffreys Grove Resources by Grade Level](#)

[Wake County's Remote Learning Site](#)

[Local Bank Food Banks](#)

[No Kid Hungry - NC](#)

[UNC-TV & NCDE Remote Learning Resources](#)

[Sheetz Meal Program](#)

[Wake County - Feeding Children](#) (this includes how to donate and food pickup locations)

[Free or reduced price eligible families can text FOODNC to 877-877 to find nearby meal sites](#)

New Resources

- **Child Care for Essential Workers:** A hotline is available to help essential workers [find child care programs](#) that are meeting new health, safety and operational guidelines. Care options are available in licensed child care facilities for children and infants through age 12.

Taking Care of YOU

NC PTA recently shared [The National Alliance on Mental Illness \(NAMI\) COVID-19 Resource and Information Guide](#). This guide is full of information to help you during this uncertain time.

Being stuck at home can be extremely hard on your mental health; if you or someone you care about continues to show signs of stress and you are becoming concerned, you may want to reach out for help. Here are some additional resources:

SAMHSA's Disaster Distress Helpline:

1-800-985-5990, provides crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters. The ongoing SAMHSA hotline is also available: (800) 662-HELP (4357).

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: If you or a loved one is having thoughts of suicide, call the [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](#) at (800) 273-8255, or dial 911.

United Way: Dial 2-1-1 to receive free and confidential help in finding local resources.

Resources include a range of services, including help locating local mental health support, finding food, paying for housing, accessing free child care or other essential services.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): Hotline: (800) 950-NAMI (6264). The organization returns calls within 48 hours from the time they are received.

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