



Timber Times

PTA Newsletter for Timber Drive Elementary School

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FROM THE PTA PRESIDENT...

Dear Timber Drive families....

I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to the 2009-2010 school year. We are so fortunate to be a part of such a wonderful school. I would like to encourage you to support the Timber Drive PTA. You can do this by joining the PTA---\$6.00 per member!!! Please send your money through your child's teacher.

We will have our first General PTA meeting on Thursday, August 21st. We will serve a hot dog supper starting at 6:15 a.m.---for \$3.00 you will get a hot dog, bag of chips, cookie, and drink. Please come and find out all the exciting things going on at Timber Drive

Finally, I invite you to get INVOLVED!!! We have many opportunities for volunteers to help us throughout the year. It may be that you can help for only a couple of hours or maybe your schedule is flexible enough that you can share a full day with us. Whatever time you have, we would greatly appreciate your support!

I look forward to us all working together to make Timber Drive a great school!

Lisa Stanley
PTA President

Timber Drive PTA Calendar 2009-2010

**Parents please mark your calendars to attend the
PTA Meetings!!!!**

Thursday, August 20, 2009

Thursday, November 5, 2009

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

Thursday, March 18, 2010

Tuesday, May 4, 2010

**All dates begin with a hot dog supper at 6:15 p.m.
followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

2009-2010 PTA Board Continued

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Awards & Hospitality

The Awards & Hospitality committee enjoyed serving the teachers breakfast and lunch at their annual teacher retreat on July 1st. We will be preparing lunch for the teachers on 4 of the early release days with the first being Sept. 2nd. Please let Theresa Brittain or Cassie Peacock know if you would be interested in helping out with this committee!

Cassie Peacock
Theresa Brittain



Timber Drive Families!!! We are pleased to share with you the dates for Spirit Breakfast Week and Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A. Spirit Breakfast Week is new to our school this year and we are very excited about it! During the week of August 24, 2009 through August 28, 2009, guests may visit either the Chick-fil-a at Garner Towne Square or White Oak Crossings multiple times during the week to participate. Just like the Spirit Night, Chick-fil-A will donate 20% of the total sales to Timber Drive. Our Spirit Night will be held on Thursday August 27, 2009 from 5pm until 8pm, with Chick-fil-A donating 20% of all total sales to our school! What a great way to come out and show school spirit, support your PTA, enjoy great food, and get to know new friends! We look forward to seeing everyone and hope you all go out and "Eat More Chicken"!! Keep your eyes out for your Chick-fil-A forms for these events in your child's folder.

They're Hot, Hot, Hot!!!!

The Timber Drive T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Magnets are available for you to purchase. Please contact Jennifer Mangum at landscapeit@bellsouth.net.

The Arts are Alive at Timber Drive

Published poet and award winning playwright Howard Craft will return to campus August 24 - 28. He will be working with the fourth graders in tracks 1, 3 and 4 in a week long literary residency.

As a third grader working with Mr. Craft this past Spring, Dylan Simpkins wrote the following poem:

What Blue Is

Blue is the speed of light running in your body.
Blue runs in the veins of the Tar Heels.
Blue makes you feel better when you're down in the dumps.
Blue never ends in that sky.
Blue is the start of a pancake that no one likes.
Blue is a planet that's a worm hole away.
Blue is like a tiny tear that gets bigger by the second.
Blue is a baby cloud that turns into a big BOOM cloud.
Blue goes everywhere with you.

This Artist in the Schools program is supported by the Timber Drive PTA and a grant from the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County, N.C., with funds from the North Carolina Arts Council, a state agency, and Wake County Government and the Wake County Public School System.

2009-2010 Reflections Program Theme

"Beauty is . . ."

The Reflections Program provides an opportunity for students to express themselves through the arts. Students may enter in all of the six Art areas:

*Literature	*Dance/Choreography
*Music	*Film/Video Production
*Photography	*Visual Arts

Each student enters in his/her Grade Division:

Primary	Grades K-2
Intermediate	Grades 3-5

It's never too early to get started! **The deadline for all entries is October 12, 2009.** Please contact

Tracy Jackson (Reflections Chair) at cooptrac@bellsouth.net or at (919)773-2660 for entry forms and requirement information. Also look for information at our next general PTA meeting!

2009-2010 Timber Drive PTA Membership Drive

The Timber Drive PTA invites you to join us to help make a difference in the education of our children and to support our school's wonderful staff. The PTA is committed to bringing parents, students, school staff, and community together for the benefit of all our children. Our PTA provides information and resources that strengthen these relationships.

Joining the PTA is easy. Please fill out and return the membership envelope that was recently sent home by your child's teacher. **Membership for one parent is \$6, or both parents can join for \$12 (cash, or check payable to TDES PTA).**

Each membership will be counted and the class from each track with the largest percentage of PTA members will be awarded an ice cream party. The teachers from those classes will each receive a \$25 gift card to Stone's School Supply. **The highest membership deadline for each track will be 11/13/09.**

Please mark your calendar to attend the first PTA meeting on **Thursday, August 20th at 7:00 PM.** There will be Membership envelopes available for those that would like to join that evening.

Please let me know if I can answer any questions. Your input and support will help us reach new goals for this school year.

Christy Bunch
Membership Chairperson
tdes-membership@hotmail.com
662-2793

Look what your PTA is doing.....

The PTA has purchased a weather station and it has been installed and is operational and ready for classroom use. The station measures wind, rain, barometric pressure, temperature---how exciting ---more information to come!!!! Lots of opportunity for classroom learning!

Buildings & Ground

We will be looking for volunteers to help clean-up the amphitheatre behind the school! Please contact Susan Hansen at raleighhansens@bellsouth.net if you are interested in helping out with the school grounds clean-up/landscaping!!!!!!

Retail Fundraising

Want an easy way to earn money for Timber Drive.....Cut your Box Tops and Tyson Labels!!

A note about box top labels: Please have your labels in an envelope or zip lock bag with the student's name, teacher's name & track, and the number of labels (25 per bag) turned in on the front of your envelope/zip lock bag. For every 25 labels (Tyson's, Box Tops or a combination of both) turned in the student's name will be placed in a drawing for a prize. There will be one winner for each track every month. There is a new bright pink Box Tops bin in the hallway when you enter the building.

Make sure for the Tyson's labels to cut off the entire top of label not just the logo.

For the Box Tops make sure not to cut off the date & that it is not expired.

Once we stop the collection of labels at the end of the school year the class who has the most labels turned in will have an ice cream party. We will have one class winner for each track at the end of the school year.

Tina Leischner
Retail Fundraising

WE WANT YOU!!!!

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The PTA needs volunteers throughout the year to help with various projects. Please complete this form if you are interested in volunteering and return it to your child's teacher. Also note that you must register with the school to become a volunteer - at least at a level 3. Even if you were a volunteer last year, you must register for the current school year. You can register in the computer lab at school from 8:45-9:05 am.

Parent's Name _____

Student's Name _____

Teacher _____ Track _____ Grade _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Best time for you to volunteer:

_____ Morning

_____ Afternoon

_____ Anytime

Please check any areas you would be interested in volunteering.

_____ Building and Grounds

_____ Awards and Hospitality

_____ Help teacher track in/out

_____ Other PTA activities

_____ Reflections

_____ Wolf Walk

_____ Retail Fundraising

(Box Tops)