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Apperson PTA Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Next PTA Meeting – Thursday, April 21

Please join us at our monthly PTA meeting on Thursday, April 21 at 8:15 am in the Parent Center. All are welcome to attend. Coffee and refreshments will be served!

Movie under the Stars – Friday, May 13

We hope to see you at our spring outdoor movie night on Friday, May 13. This is a family event and parents must stay with their children. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Movie selection and event time will be announced soon.



Coming soon!

Don't miss out on another opportunity to have your name permanently added to our **Tiger Dedication Wall!** Watch for details later this month!



Words of Praise

Science Fair

Congratulations to all of the students who submitted projects to this year's Apperson Science Fair! We hope everyone had a chance to check out all of the outstanding projects at the Open House on March 15. All participants will receive a special Tiger Tag and a science medal for their hard work. If your child turned in a science project but is not on this list, it could be that we did not receive a submission form with their project. Please let us know if your child was left off this list in error.

Room 2 – Taylor H., Henry R.

Room 4 – Severine B., Ben H., Detevik M., Natalie O., Chloe P., Ani V., Gwendelyn V., Edgar Z.

Room 5 – Joaquin C., Marco C., Wyatt C., Imogen C., Maria D., Sasha D., Aliyah G., Joselyn G., Christopher H., Evan J., Aiden J., Freya M., Jane M., Brooke M., Madison M., Mia M., Viviana O., Melody P., Carson S., Rebecca S., Daniel T., Ann T., Kathryn V.

Room 6 – Abel M.

Room 8 – Dylan D., Emily O., Melanie O.

Room 9 – Sean A., Juliette A., Jayden A., Sofia C., Sonia C., Nephertary C., Kaithlyn C., Kaylee C., Mikey C., Sonia D., Jacob E., Presley H., Gabriella L., Kathryn M., David M., Olivia M., Madesyn M., James M., Matthew P., Drake R., Coral S., Lauren T.

Room 10 – Amber L.

Room 11 – Jacob A., Ben L., Cristofer S., Lindsey V., Maggie W.

Room 12 – Madison S.

Room 14 – Luke F., Catalina M., Kayla M.

Room 22 – Alexis A., Hailey G., Alexander L., Julia V.

Room 24 – Marissa B., Hannah C., Bailey R.

Room 25 – Kristie F., Serena H., Hunter L., Jade L., Savannah M., Ethan T.

Room 26 – Ethan C.

Room 27 – William G., Curtiss H., Jordyn J., Allison M., Erica M., Matthew P., David T., Calliope V., Emily Z.

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Calendar

Here are some important dates for the upcoming school year. Please check future newsletters for updates and more details for each event.

Apr 21	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
May 2-6	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 5	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and HSA Ceremony
May 13	Movie Night
May 19	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
May 30	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
June 3	5 th Grade Class Picnic
June 9	Minimum Day – 8:00 am – 12:31 pm
June 10	Last Day of School – Minimum Day 8:00 am – 12:31 pm 5 th Grade Culmination – 9:00 am

Reflections

The National PTA Reflections Program provides a venue for students to create and be recognized for original works of art based on a student inspired pre-selected theme. It also serves to increase community awareness of how important arts is in education. This year's theme was, "Let Your Imagination Fly!" After our local judging at Apperson, several pieces were selected to move on to judging at the District level. The 31st District PTSA then selected their winning entries to move on to state judging, including two entries from Apperson students. The California State PTA has now selected one entry from each division, in each category, to receive their Award of Excellence and advance to the National PTA for further award consideration.

We would like to congratulate **Samvel A.**, for receiving the **California State PTA Award of Excellence** for Literature in the Primary Division! This is a tremendous accomplishment and we wish Samvel the best of luck for a national win!

All Award of Excellence winners receive an expense-paid trip from the California State PTA for the winning student and one parent/guardian to the state convention and the student will receive a medal, certificate and a \$100 savings bond, presented on stage at convention. Winners will be invited to perform on stage at the CA PTA General Meeting on Friday, May 6. The meeting will take place during the annual state convention, which will be held in San Diego this year May 4-7.



Fundraising News

Jog-a-thon – Thank you again to everyone who participated in, volunteered at, and donated to our 2nd Annual Apperson PTA Jog-a-thon! Over 300 students participated and we raised a total of **\$5,075!!!**



Box Tops for Education – Thank you for sending in your Box Tops for Education! Our spring collection drive earned us another \$850, bringing our total for the school year to **\$1,455!** Special thanks to our Box Tops Coordinator Monica Hicks-Jenkins for all of her hard work! Although we will not have another collection drive until the fall, you can continue to send in Box Tops any time.

Spring Book Fair – The Scholastic Book Fair generates excitement for reading and revenue for our school. Our total sales for the week were \$5,358, which earned us a cash payment from Scholastic of **\$1,339.** More importantly, we were able to provide students, teachers, and parents with access to thousands of affordable books and educational products. We were able to connect kids with books they want to read – and the more kids read, the better readers they become, and the more successful they will be in school, in work, and in life! Thanks for your continued support! Special thanks to our Book Fair Chair Crystal Fitzgerald and her crew for running this amazing event.

Family Fun Night – The Opportunity Drawing was a huge hit at Family Fun Night! Thank you to everyone who made donations, contributed to their class baskets, and to those who purchased tickets. We raised a total of **\$1,860!** Special thanks to Shannon Heier and Kali Lamarine for coordinating the donations for the drawing, and to all those that helped at the event. We also made **\$246** from Wienerschnitzel. Thank you to Kristina Valcarce for selling meal tickets! Lastly, thank you to Mrs. Smissen, Mrs. Winckler, Mrs. Stubbs, Ms. Rivera, Mrs. Martinez-Baxter, Mrs. Heermann, Ms. Casey, and Ms. Moultrie for all of their hard work in putting together this fun night. We hope you and your family enjoyed all of the food and activities provided by the Apperson teachers, faculty, and PTA at this year's Family Fun Night!

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