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Elementary School**

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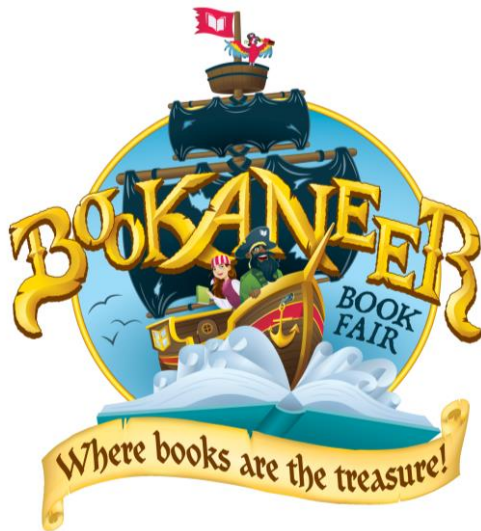
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Apperson PTA Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Fall Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school **September 6th – 13th**. Students will have a chance to visit the fair during the day and volunteers will be on hand to help younger students to select books to fit their budget and reading level. We need LOTS of VOLUNTEERS to help at this event! Parents and families will be able to visit the book fair at **Back to School Night on Tuesday, September 13th from 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm**. All purchases benefit our school. You can also shop online from August 29th – September 16th. All books ordered online will be shipped to Apperson for free at the end of the fair. Visit www.appersonpta.com/book-fair for more information, class visit times, and to shop online!



Earthquake Preparedness Drive

September 6th – 16th: Purchase a pre-made kit for \$12 or create your own. All kits will be kept in the student's room in case of an emergency. We are also collecting donations for our earthquake bin – see the Emergency Preparedness flyer or check our website for more information.

PTA Meeting – September 15th

Join us on Thursday, September 15th at 8:15 am in the auditorium for our PTA meeting. Coffee and refreshments are provided and children are welcome. See you there!

2nd Annual Read-a-Thon Fundraiser

September 19th – 30th ~ This is a FUN event to encourage kids to read and build literacy skills while also raising money for the Apperson PTA *without* selling anything. 100% of the proceeds go straight to the PTA to support our mission of enriching the school experience for all students. Packets will be coming home soon with all of the details and will be posted to the website soon.

School Beautification Day – Sept. 27th

8:15 am – Meet in the Parent Center after the morning bell. All volunteers will receive a special Tiger Tag! We need lots of hands – little ones are welcome to help! Bring gloves, rakes, brooms, dust pans, rags, etc. We will also be updating the Earthquake Bin. Coffee and snacks provided.

Teacher/Staff “Welcome Back” Luncheon

New this year, the PTA will be hosting a “Welcome Back” luncheon for all of our wonderful Apperson faculty and staff on Wednesday, September 28th! A flyer will be coming home soon with more information and specific donation requests. This event will be held in place of the holiday luncheon. We will continue to celebrate our teachers in the spring as well, with our annual Teacher Appreciation Luncheon in May.

Fall Festival Committee Meetings

Planning for the fall Festival is already underway! Please join us in the Parent Center (Room 29) for the following planning meetings. All are welcome to attend. Come learn more about the festival, share ideas, and sign up to help! We appreciate all of our volunteers!

Friday September 9th @ 8:15 am

Friday, September 23rd @ 8:15 am

Reflections

It's time to start thinking about the annual PTA Reflections Art Contest! This year's theme is "**What Is Your Story?**" Create an original piece of artwork in one of the following categories: visual arts, photography, literature, dance choreography, music composition, or film production. Every participant will receive an award and select participants will be chosen to represent Apperson at the next level of judging. Flyers with more information will be coming home soon, or visit www.appersonpta.com/reflections for more info.

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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.

Sept 2	Admissions Day – NO SCHOOL
Sept 5	Labor Day – NO SCHOOL
Sept 6 – 13	Fall Scholastic Book Fair
Sept 6 – 16	Earthquake Drive
Sept 9	Fall Festival Meeting – 8:15 am
Sept 13	Back to School Night
Sept 15	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
Sept 19-30	Read-a-thon
Sept 23	Fall Festival Meeting – 8:15 am
Sept 27	School Beautification Day – 8:15 am
Sept 28	Teacher/Staff “Welcome Back” Luncheon
Oct 3	Unassigned Day – NO SCHOOL
Oct 12	Unassigned Day – NO SCHOOL
Oct 15	Fall Festival – 11 am – 3 pm
Oct 20	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
Nov 11	Veteran’s Day – NO SCHOOL
Nov 17	PTA Meeting and Reflections Art Contest Reception – 6:00 pm
Nov 21-25	Thanksgiving Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Dec 5-9	Holiday Shop
Dec 19-Jan 6	Winter Recess – NO SCHOOL
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Jan 9	School Resumes
Jan 16	MLK Jr Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Jan 19	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
Feb 10	Jog-A-Thon
Feb 16	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
Feb 20	President’s Day – NO SCHOOL
Mar 16	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
Mar 16	Family Fun Night
Mar 31	Cesar Chavez Day – NO SCHOOL
Apr 6	Open House/Science Fair/ Opportunity Drawing
Apr 10-14	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
Apr 20	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
May 3	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon/ Honorary Service Awards
May 18	PTA Meeting – 8:15 am
May 29	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
June 2	5 th Grade Class Picnic
June 9	Last Day of School 5 th Grade Culmination – 9:00 am

Thanks and Praise

The **Apperson New Student/Kinder Tea** and Orientation was held on August 15th, 2016. If you attended this event, we hope you enjoyed it! Thank you to our PTA parent volunteers Shannon Heier, Crystal Fitzgerald, Becky Briggs, Mari McLaws, Kacie Cervantez, Vanessa Bullock, Lani Turner and Kali Lamarine, who helped set up, give tours, sell t-shirts, etc. It was a wonderful way to start the school year!

The annual **Apperson PTA Ice Cream Social** ~ “Hawaiian Style” was held on August 26th, 2016. We hope you had a great time! Special thanks to Whipp’d LA for serving the always delicious shave ice treats, and Jennifer and George “DJ G-Man” Gallegos for providing the dance music. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped at the event, including Shannon, Crystal, Mari, Becky, Jenn Love, Kacie, Kali, Lani, Jenn Jones, Vanessa, Monica, Josh, Amy and Carlisle. Please forgive us if we have forgotten to mention your name and know that your help was greatly appreciated! None of these events are possible without the support of our volunteers and all of our Apperson students, teachers and families who attend them. So thank YOU for being a part of it all.

We hope you had a chance to say goodbye to our principal, Mrs. Smissen, while at the Ice Cream Social. We wish her all the best in her next adventure! Thank you for making a difference at Apperson!



Box Tops

Cut out those Box Tops and turn them in to your teacher! Attach them to the sheet provided, or simply collect them in an envelope or zip-top bag. Due date is November 1st! Which class will blast to the top?

