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The mission of Stillwater Elementary PTSA is to work in partnership with parents, students, community members and school personnel to support Stillwater Elementary School.
The PTSA enhances the curriculum and programs provided by the Riverview School District by providing safe, healthy, fun and educationally enriching programs and activities.



April Wednesday 4/4

Popcorn Wed (Last Recess)

Friday 4/6

Zumba Night 6:30-7:30pm

Friday 4/6

Yearbook Orders Close

4/9 - 4/13

No School (Spring Break)

Tuesday 4/24

Workshop on Child Safety 6pm @ Riverview district office

Friday 4/27

Pottery Paint Night 6-8pm

May Tuesday 5/1

STEAM Museum (during school) STEAM night 6-8pm

Wednesday 5/2

Popcorn Wed (Last Recess)

5/7-5/11

Staff Appreciation Week (SAW)

Thursday 5/10

K/1 Music Performance

Thursday 5/17

Moms & Me 6:30-7:30PM

Monday 5/28

NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day

June

Saturday 6/2

Running of the Balls @ Duvall Days

Wednesday 6/6

Popcorn Wed (last recess)

Thursday 6/7

PTSA Volunteer Appreciation

Party Friday 6/8

All School Arts Day

Game Night & Book Exchange

Tuesday 6/12

PTSA General Mtg 6:30-7:45PM

Tuesday 6/20

Field Day

Thursday 6/21

Last Day of School

Quick lip

Hello Stillwater Families!

A Message From Your PTSA President

Welcome to Spring! March started off with a bang this year thanks to the Dance Dude and the 4th Annual Spring Dance! The kids had fun during their specialist time refreshing their memory on dances learned in years past plus learning some new ones. Also in March the PTSA hosted our annual Hawk Walk fundraiser and raised over \$17,000! Thanks to our volunteers that made these events possible and the Stillwater families that attended them. We had our 3rd General Membership Meeting of the year on March 13th, thank you for those members that attended. At the meeting the 2018-2019 Executive Board of Directors were voted into office (positions to begin on July 1, 2018): President-Shelly Campbell, Vice President-Lindsey Tolson, Secretary- Rebecca Manjarrez, Treasurer- Rachel DelCarmen. We also voted on some exciting changes to the 2017-2018 budget. A few highlights are a second Staff and Teacher grant season, all arts day increase, PTSA Property Enhancements, and Duvall Days booth. For minute notes and a more detailed recap of the general meeting please visit our website.

Looking forward to April we have our fun 2nd Pottery Painting Night of the year.

Have a great spring break everyone!

Thank You,

Shelly Campbell PTSA President

Box Tops & Tyson Labels

The class that collected the most Box Tops & Tyson Labels for March is Anderson's class with 168! Super

* Cutoff for the count is the 25th of each month

Here are the classes in the lead for the end of year root beer float party:

1) Farnworth 1,788

Craig

2) 3) 694 Anderson

Only TWO months left for the end of year contest (last count day is May 25th)! Be sure to write your teacher's name on the bag to make it count. Thank you for collecting Box Tops & Tyson Labels!



STEAM Museum

On May 1st the PTSA is hosting the STEAM Museum to come to Stillwater!!

Each class will get to visit the Museum setup in our gym for interactive, hands-on learning.

The STEAM Museum has something for all grade levels and interests. Students are encouraged to explore the museum at their own pace and manage their time between stations that appeal to their individual interests. Adult supervision from the Mobile Ed presenter and parent volunteers will be present at some of the stations to focus the students and to positively enhance the experience with small group instruction.

STEAM night coming - STEAM Night is coming May 1st from 6-8 PM! This FREE event is planned by Stillwater Elementary staff and will feature over 10 hands-on classroom science experiments, door prizes, and robotics demonstrations from STEALTH Robotics. Look for additional details coming home in kidmail after spring break.

Pottery Paint Night

Where: Stillwater Gym When: Friday, April 27th

What: Painting! All pre-orders are due by Monday,

April 9th for this event.

If you will be joining us for this fun filled evening

here are the details:

accompany children.

Join us between 6-8pm, please arrive no later than 7:30 pm to have enough time to paint your items. Items will be sent home with students or available for pickup when they are ready.

This event required pre-orders for specific bisques, but we will have some old bisques from the last paint night available to purchase at the door. *This is not a drop off event, an adult must

Workshop on Child Safety

Stillwater PTSA F.A.C.E. is excited to offer a 90minute parent workshop, for our entire Riverview School District Community on Tween Safety. Mark your calendars!

Date: April 24th, 2018 **Time:** 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Location: Riverview School District Assembly Hall Cost: Recommended donation of \$5.00 per

couple

Find out more here:

https://www.facebook.com/events/4230195381

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March Star Volunteer of the Month:

Dani Graham was nominated by Ulrike Staerk and Lisa Cardenas and voted on by the Executive PTSA board as our March Featured Volunteer of the Month.

Dani and her husband have 3 sons; Dempsey in 5th grade, Pierce in 3rd, and Hudson in Kindergarten. Dani has been volunteering with the PTSA since Dempsey was in Kindergarten. Her favorite things to volunteer for are dance week and the fundraisers! The energy & excitement of the students is so powerful.

The Graham family loves being outdoors. Hiking, camping and building things together are their favorite memory builders. When Dani is not volunteering she is super busy growing flowers for her company Dig-It Flowers. She creates beautiful bouquets for our community. Dani says Stillwater is a pretty amazing school! She feels so blessed to be involved as much as she can and loves getting to know so many of the kiddos & parents!

Thank you, Dani, for all the things you have done for Stillwater and the PTSA.

When you see Dani at our next event, make sure to congratulate her and

thank her for all she does for Stillwater Elementary.

Learn more here or vote for next months Volunteer of the Month at: https://stillwaterptsa.org/volunteer-of-the-month/

HAWK WALK SUCCESS!!!

WOW! Stillwater's Hawk Walk raised \$17,725.58! That's over \$2000 more than last year. We can't thank you all enough for all the amazing donations. Remember that every cent of these donations goes to the school thanks to all our amazing volunteers! We also want to thank The Irwin Group for sponsoring Blitz this year! Now that the Hawk Walk has ended, we wanted to give everyone a friendly reminder to turn in those corporate matches if you haven't already! Don't miss the chance to double your donation for FREE. Also, if you didn't catch it on the Hawk Walk fundraising envelope, we've added a NEW corporate matching incentive this year. In June, we'll be compiling the names of everyone who gave a corporate match this year and do a drawing for a \$75 Red Robin Gift Card

Greater PTSA Spotlight

Congratulations to Stillwater's own Brooke Gill, who earned an Outstanding Interpretation in music composition at the state level for Reflections*. Brooke and the other 26 1st place winners from across Washington state will be moving onto the National competition.

*The annual National PTA and WSPTA Reflections cultural arts competition provides an opportunity for students to use their creative talents by expressing themselves through their own original works in dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography, visual arts and a special artist category.

Zumba Night

Family Zumba Night Moms & Me

Who: Stillwater Families; All Ages Welcome

What: Zumba night with certified Zumba instructor

Shelly Campbell

When: Friday, April 6th 6:30-7:30pm

Where: Stillwater Gym

Cost: FREE!

Zumba involves dance and aerobic movements performed to energetic music. No dance/Zumba experience required! Join Us!

*This is not a drop off event and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Staff Appreciation Week

One of our favorite activities is coming up, very soon. Staff Appreciation Week (SAW) will be held the week of May 7th - 11th. During this week we will be celebrating our wonderful teachers and staff at SWE and say "thank you". During the week of SAW, we will be showing our appreciation by providing lunch and Italian Sodas each day along with a gift of appreciation, provided by the students. This is a community effort, to pull off, so please keep an eye out for the final details coming home in kidmail, in the next few weeks. If you have any questions please contact Karen at specialprojects@stillwaterptsa.org

Membership

Happy Spring! For the month of April and May, we are having a fun classroom membership incentive. Each class that achieves 75% or more in PTSA Memberships by the end of May, will enjoy an ice cream party in their class. We are so close to our goal of 323 members. If you'd like to help achieve that goal and have already purchased a membership, you can donate a membership!

This will be a fun incentive with an awesome reward for the kids. Thank you for all of your support! Carmen Love - Membership Chair

Community Spotlight

Thank you for bringing sock donations to the spring dance. We were able to donate 2 full bins to the Snoqualmie Valley Shelter Services.

Valley Power Packs Duvall donates weekend food packs to students in need at Stillwater every week. They depend on community donations to make this happen. You can visit their Facebook page for information on how/where to donate and even download an easy grocery shopping guide. If you are a family in need and want more information about this service, reach out to Me. Danielle, our school's counselor.

Popcorn Wednesday

We have some good and bad news to share about Popcorn Wednesdays. The bad news, after taking a closer look at the national nutritional standards for schools, we realized we can no longer "sell" popcorn during the school day. The good news, thanks to very generous popcorn donation from Lori and Eric Kratzer, Popcorn Wednesdays will now be FREE!! Woohoo!

The popcorn donated is organic and popped with coconut oil. We can give the popcorn away, we just can't sell it.

If you have any questions, please contact Shelly Campbell at president@stillwaterptsa.org.

Training Opportunities

Washington State PTA Convention is coming up in May and will be held on Vancouver, Washington this year. For 3 days, PTA leaders from across the state gather for training, planning and networking. Our PTSA sends board members to represent Stillwater and also receive valuable training to better support our school and community. Plans for convention are currently underway, contact president@stillwaterptsa.org for more information.

PTSA Advocacy

Send a letter to your members of Congress urging them to support sensible solutions to gun violence!

Visit this PTA website to customize the letter with your personal information and make your voice heard on this important issue -

https://www.pta.org/home/advocacy/take-action