



Cardinal Ridge PTO News

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Welcome back students, parents and staff to a great start to 2015!

LIONS & TIGERS & TEDDY BEARS- OH MY!



Cardinal Ridge is hosting its first Reading Night on Thursday, February 19th from 6-7:30pm.

Activities to look forward to include teachers and principals reading books, Reading “under the stars”, bookmark crafting, photo-frame area, and more.

Students: Please bring yourself, your family and a teddy bear or stuffed animal. You can also bring a blanket, sleeping bag or pillow for the “reading under the stars” activity. Feel free to wear your PJs (footwear required)!

We can't wait to see you and your favorite Teddy bear (or any stuffed animal). The event is free.

Parents: Can you volunteer for 1 hour? We can use (and will appreciate) the help. Please see the volunteer sign up at <http://vols.pt/sXgh96> for more information and to lend a hand.

IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY

- 19 MLK Jr. HOLIDAY
- 26 Moveable Student Holiday
- 26 PTO sponsored teacher luncheon

FEBRUARY

- 10 Chick Fil-A Dining Night (4-7:30pm)
- 19 Reading Night (6-7:30pm)
- 19 PTO General Meeting (7:30-8:30pm)
- 20 Top Kick - Parent Night Out (5:30-9pm)

Another Box Top Contest is on!

Another contest for the class that collects the most box tops from January 20th through February 8th is starting. Your child should have brought home a new collection sheet on Friday.

This time around the class that submits the most box tops during the contest wins a Hot Cocoa party on a chosen date...so start clipping ...



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HONORING OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers are an essential part of any organization. We wanted to take this opportunity to formally recognize the efforts of the individuals who have helped us and wanted to express our deep appreciation for their time and energy. Thank you, Thank you, and Thank you again! We couldn't have had successful events without you.

BINGO NIGHT – Amanda Baxter, Judy Luu, Cassie Robertson, Meg Phillips, Peter Lee, Sandra Vaughan, Sydney Jack, Udaya Borra, Loy Choi, Yos Trimmer, Elizabeth Franklin, Beth Robertson Gray.

FALL FUNDRAISER – Amy Riviello, Emily Kleinsmith, Huyen Nguyen, Sandra Vaughan, Elizabeth Franklin, Beth Robertson Gray, Amanda Baxter.

READING NIGHT – Gina Fink, Madhu Swaminathan, Huyen Nguyen, Heather Tavares, Robin Durham, and Paula Augenstein so far on the list.

GENERAL VOLUNTEERS & THOSE PLANNING TO LEAD FUTURE EVENTS - Christine Varanelli, Denise Harris, Elizabeth Galvan, Heidi Facey, Julie Knowles, Keaira Jennings, Kelly Young, Melinie Weaver, Pallavi Sarangapani, Parnika Gajula, Paula Augenstein, Preethy Downey, Bela Patel, and Tina and Chris Williams.

COMMITTEE HEADS - Val Walters, Sandra Vaughan, Judy Luu, Sanya Richey, Amanda Baxter.

We hope we have not left anyone off of the list. If we have, please email us. We are so appreciative of those who have offered their precious time to help us make this school great. If you are reading this newsletter and wonder what you can do, reach out and see where help is needed.

Holidays Around the World- **Cancelled**

Sometimes planning doesn't go as desired and events don't come to fruition. It is with regret that the PTO has decided to cancel the Holidays Around the World event. This decision is in no way a reflection of the great ideas the Chair had; it came down to timing during the holidays. Looking forward, get ready for a Staff Game Night, Spring Festival and more!

We are actively planning now, so if you're interested in helping the Chairs of those events, please let us know.

Thank you for your understanding.

TEACHER'S POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Teachers' Luncheon



The PTO is putting together a Teacher's luncheon on January 26th. If you have a favorite recipe to share, now is your time.

Warm up your croc pots or mix that salad and contribute to the lunch.

Don't worry if you don't want to cook, volunteer help is also needed for other tasks. Check out the link below to devote an hour (or more) of your time:

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VALENTINE'S DAY SPIRIT STICKS- PRE-ORDER FOR YOUR CHILD!

Valentine's Day is coming up in a few short weeks! Want to surprise your child with a token of your love?? Have a Valentine's edition Spirit Stick delivered to them in class on Friday February 13th! The cost is \$1 per stick. To order, simply print and complete a form that will be sent home in Friday Folders, and also attached in an email from Dr. Anderson. Send the form and money into the school no later than Friday February 6th. You can write CRES PTO on a sealed envelope to help keep it a secret from your children. The stick and your personalized note will be delivered to your child on Friday February 13th!

Martin Luther King Jr. Facts

- Martin Luther King Jr. was an important leader and activist in the Civil Rights Movement.
- He was born Michael King Jr. on January 15th 1929 in Atlanta Georgia.
- Martin Luther King Jr. with other civil rights activists will go on to lead many non-violent protests for civil rights around the country.
- In February 1959 Martin Luther King Jr. traveled to India to study Mahatma Gandhi's principles of non-violence.
- On August 28th 1963 at a historic march in Washington DC for jobs, freedom, racial equality and the end of discrimination Martin Luther King delivered his "I have a dream" speech.

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DINING NIGHTS REMINDERS

Chick-Fil-A – Feb 10th from 4pm - 7:30pm in Chantilly

Mc Donald's – April 14th /15th from 5pm-8pm in South Riding

Kuleyos – May 20th /21st from 3pm-9pm in South Riding

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If you have any questions for the Cardinal Ridge PTO, please email: CardinalRidgePTO@gmail.com