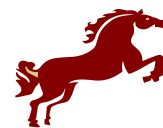


Mustang Monitor



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Skate Day

Skate night is back...ready to "ROLL" into the school year !!! The cost is only \$5 to enter and with an additional \$3 fee if you need to rent skates. Since this is a fundraiser, half the cost of the entry fee is returned to Scales so the PTO can continue to provide those great classroom items for our wonderful teachers. Last year we raised over \$2,000 for through our Skate night program. This year, our goal is to raise \$2,250 so parents, please bring your kids and come on out for a lot of fun !!! Remember, the winning classrooms with the most students attending for grades K-2 and grades 3-5 will receive a special treat as well as the "golden skate" for that month !

Please mark your calendars for **October 6th**, **November 3rd**, **January 5th**, **February 2nd**, **March 2nd**, and **May 4th**. So, bring a friend and we look forward to seeing you there ! *Susan Hicks and Virginia Porter*

Pizza Tuesday & Chick-Fil-A

Congratulations to Ms. Weeks' class for winning our first Papa John's Night this year! They had a yummy pizza party to celebrate. Will your class be next? Papa John's Nights are on the second TUESDAY of each month. Our next one will be October 13. Look for fliers to come home with your child. Be sure to fill in your teacher's name before giving the flier to the Papa John's delivery or counter person. Scales receives a portion of that night's sales. *Wendy Hall*

October Calendar:

Oct. 4-9 - Mustang Closet
6 - Run Club begins Tu & Th - 3:30-4:00
Skate Night - 4:30-6:30
7 - School Pictures
8 - Chick-Fil-A Family Night
Boy Scouts - 6:30-8:00
13 - Papa John Pizza Night
14 - End 1st 9 weeks
19 & 20 - Fall Break
21 - Report Cards
23-Nov. 4- Great Can Contest
28 & 29 - Pumpkins & Poems Contest
30 - Harvest Parties 2:20-3:30

Save these Future Dates:

Oct. 25 - Nov. 4 - Aluminum Can Drive
November 11- Make-up Picture Day
November 17 - Donuts for Dads
November 19 - Third Grade Musical Performance
November 20 - Grandparents Day
December 15 - Holiday Concert with Chorus and Instrumental and String Ensembles
February 4 - Muffins for Moms

Classroom and Specials News

Be sure to check out teacher web sites periodically. Teachers have classroom information, pictures, calendars, and other interesting information. Visit <http://www.wcs.edu/ses/staff.htm>.

Scales Directory

Have you registered and entered your information in PTO Manager? The Deadline is September 30. If you do not register, your family and your child will NOT appear in the directory. This is the only source available to the PTO to use to publish this information. Please make sure to enter each of your children who currently attend Scales. Thank you for going to: <http://scales.ptomanager.com> to access the site.

News from Your PTO

A Message from your PTO President

September has come to a close, and it's beginning to look like fall! The past month was filled with fun events such as *Open House*, *Spirit Week* and *Invest Celebration*. This year's *Invest* was a huge success thanks to **Jamie Hopson and Amy Brothers**. We had such a GREAT time at *Invest Celebration* due to **Natasha Brazil** and all her party helpers. Did you check out the auction? **Cara Finger** worked tirelessly since summer getting items donated for both the silent and live auctions. Very special thanks to **Kristy Oldham** for organizing the classroom basket themes and displays...I am always amazed at the creativity of our parents! Kudos to **Henry Cho** for doing such an awesome job as Emcee, the bids just kept going higher and higher! Tape the Teacher and the pie throws were big hits thanks to good sports like **Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Webster and Mr. West**. **Mrs. Breaux and Mr. Oakley** got messy, too! What an incredible faculty we have here at Scales. I am truly overwhelmed at the outpouring of generosity by our Scales families. What all of you have contributed on behalf of your children benefits ALL of our kids. In addition to funding the 2009-2010 budget, you have also given the school the opportunity to purchase better equipment and resources to further enhance our children's education. Your Invest contributions are the reason why improvements can be made to Scales...Thanks for Investing in Your Child!

Don't forget that September 30th is the deadline for PTO Manager entries. Families that do not enter their data by that date will NOT be included in the school directory. A change in WCS attendance software precipitated the need for PTO manager (an online database) and has delayed the printing of this year's school directory. Please go to: <http://scales.ptomanager.com> to access the site.

October is almost here and the first thing on the calendar is collecting clothing for *Mustang Closet* October 5th-9th. Our second *Skate Day* is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th. Get ready to smile for *School Pictures* on Wednesday, October 7th. October 8th is our first *Chick-fil-a* Spirit Night. The Distribution for *Mustang Closet* will take place Oct. 12th (set up) and Oct. 13th at Warner Elementary School. *Papa John's* pizza night is Oct. 13th. Then, we all can rest during *Fall Break*, Oct. 19^h & 20th. Our 7th annual *Pumpkins, Poems and Pictures* contest is also coming up and all students are eligible to enter. The contest begins on October 28th, with the winners announced Friday October 30th ~ Harvest Parties are also scheduled for 2 pm that day. Look for flyers coming soon to all backpacks.

Yes, the activities just keep rolling along at Scales. Remember, if you haven't found a place to pitch in, drop me a line or indicate your interest on PTO Manager. It's never too late to get involved, and I promise you will have a blast doing it and meet some new friends along the way. Enjoy the change of season and I'll see you in the halls of Scales. *Nikol Wiemer, PTO President*

Say Cheese!

Just a reminder: Fall pictures will be taken on Wednesday October 7th. If your child misses school or you need a retake, the make up day has been scheduled for Wednesday Nov. 11th. If you have any questions email Margie Doyle at tmdoyle626@gmail.com or Jenny Soares at jennysoares@comcast.net



Reduce Reuse and Recycle!

Mustang Closet -Top FAQ's

1. What is it? The Mustang Closet is a clothing drive where your gently used clothes (and shoes and coats and hats and gloves and belts, etc!) will be collected .
2. How can I help? SAVE YOUR CLOTHES!! (and shoes and coats and hats and gloves and belts, etc!)
3. Who are the clothes being collected for? The Mustang Closet will benefit our partner school in Metro Nashville, Warner Elementary. Many of your children have visited Warner during their kindergarten year, and many Scales parents volunteer by reading at Warner. Warner is very excited about the generosity of Scales families.
4. What is needed most? In addition to your regular outgrown clothes: Warner students wear a modified uniform (collared shirts, jeans, khakis, skirts) but BELTS are really in need and if you are at Target, a new package of underwear or socks can ALWAYS be used!
5. When? The clothing drive will be held October 5-9, 2009 at Scales. Clothes can be dropped in the morning or afternoon in the pick up line. We will get them out of your car as you are passing through. Your child may also bring a bag on the bus. Bus drivers will be on notice that kids may be lugging more than a backpack during this week! Someone will meet them at the bus drop to grab the bags.
6. How will clothes be distributed at Warner? The Clothing Fair will be held on Tuesday October 13 at Warner. Set up will be on Friday, October 9, and Monday, October 12th . The beauty of this program is that some Scales parents and students will help at the Clothing Fair where clothes will be separated by size and Warner students will “shop” for what they like and need. Students will have a designation of need as they come through, so we can be sure and serve those with the most need.
7. Is this a tax deductible donation? Yes. You will receive a form that has the school tax ID on it and a place to write in your donation amount (kind of like the form from Goodwill.)
8. How is this good for Scales? The Mustang Closet provides a place for you to donate the clothes your children have outgrown (Clean closets for you!) They are donated to the school we already partner with. Your children get to experience the benefit of giving. Plus, Scales receives a little recycling money for the clothing donated! Please contact mustang-closet@gmail.com or on the PTO website there is a button to select to find out more!
9. Please Do NOT put clothing on hangers.



Recycling

We have received \$1,695.65 for our 2008-09 Recycling Incentive with Williamson Recycles. This included a \$500 bonus for being one of the top five schools that earn merit points for recycling participation. We do a great job at school recycling paper on a daily basis. We also recycle cardboard and plastic and participate in several Williamson Recycles programs. We encourage you to do your home recycling at the Wilson Pike site, as we receive a portion of the funds there. Be sure to save those cans for the Scales Aluminum Can Drive which will be held October 23 - November 5th. Collection bin will be set up in the Scales parking lot during this two week period. Highest contributing classroom in each grade level will receive a special treat!

More Mustang Matters

Child Find

Williamson County Schools want to make sure every child in Williamson County gets the help they need to learn and grow. Do you know a child who:

--is between the ages of birth and 22 years?

--is growing and learning at a delayed rate compared to other kids the same age?

--has a hard time learning?

If so, please call the Student Support Services office at 615-472-4130 so they can receive the help they need.

BoxTops for Education

Clip BoxTop\$ from General Mills and other products and return them to the specially marked container at Scales. Put Box-Tops in a Ziplock bag with your child's name, teacher and grade on the bag. Don't forget to clip the BoxTop from the Ziplock box. Monthly contests will begin in September and continue through May. The two children bringing in the most box tops from each grade level will receive a prize. Once a class brings in 1,000 box tops they will earn an ice cream party. Look for the Box Tops poster representing the class totals in the cafeteria. Each Box Tops is worth 10 cents. Our 2009-2010 goal is to surpass \$2,000. Our next Box Tops turn in deadline is October 13! *Carolyn Nieman, Box Tops Chair*

Girl Scouts

If you are not able to attend our Round UP on September 10, please feel free to contact me via email at RLNW@bellsouth.net with your interest. I'm always happy to answer your questions and can't wait to have you be a part of Girl Scouts! *Rebecca Webb 309-0814 or 604-7181*

Teacher Appreciation

Teacher Appreciation luncheons will begin in September and continue once a month through the year. Each month is hosted by a Grade. When you receive luncheon information and sign-up from your Grade's host, help out by cooking, shopping, or serving at your child's grade luncheon. The Teacher Appreciation Luncheon will be hosted by the 4th Grade in October. The teachers and staff will enjoy a mexican meal prepared and served by the parents of the 4th Grade class. Parents in the 4th Grade, call Christy Irwin to get involved with the luncheon this month. Thanks Christy and all who volunteer! Show our teachers and staff how much you appreciate them! *Amanda Morris, Jennifer Dillard, Jane Allison Crewse*

Cub Scouts

Cub Scout Pack #144 had a successful Round-up during September adding many new scouts. Young men from all grades joined Pack #144 at Scales. We are always taking new scouts and are hoping that everyone gets an opportunity to join Cub Scouts. If you missed the round up meeting last month please call Tom Tunnicliffe at 594-1000. We have a great year planned and all will have fun.

Our October 8th Pack meeting is prep for our camping trip to Boxwell in early November. Our annual fall bonfire is October 25th and is turn-in day for our fall fundraiser. Cub Scouts should be in your neighborhood with their Trails End popcorn sales promotion. More information about this quality product can be found at the Trails Ends website (www.trails-end.com). Last school year, the scouts from Pack #144 sold over \$27,000 of popcorn with one-third of those proceeds funding our annual program of activities. Please help support the Cub Scouts of Pack #144 with your purchase. *Tom Tunnicliffe, Cubmaster and Brad Dean, Pack Committee Chair*