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LITTLE CEDARS ELEMENTARY PTA

PTA Unit 7.6.32

January 2017

Upcoming Events

<u>January</u>

- 3 Back to School
- 12 Choir Concert
- 13 MLK Jr. Assembly
- 16 No School MLK Jr. Day
- 24 PTA Meeting 30 No School
- 30 No School

February

- 3 WatchDOG Father/Daughter Dance
- 15 Band Concert
- 17 No School
- 20 No School

Membership Meetings

Jan 24, Apr 18, May 16 7-8pm in the Library Free childcare provided

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Volunteer of the Month

There are so many great ways to help at Little Cedars and we really appreciate all the hard work of our volunteers. We would like to recognize our January Volunteer of the Month.

Our January Volunteer of the Month is Heather Salazar. Heather has two sons that have attended LCE, Juaquin is currently in the third grade at LCE and Adan has moved up to Valley View. She regularly volunteers in the classroom and at special events like movie night and bingo night. Heather also ran Lego Club for many years. If your child enjoys eating popsicles, come rain or shine, they know Heather! She is out at recess every Tuesday running our lunch popsicle program. We love to see her bright smile around the school and appreciate her so much. Thank you, Heather, for helping make LCE a great community!

PTA Meeting! Tuesday, January 24 7:00 pm in the Library

Our next General Membership PTA Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24th at 7:00 pm in the LCE Library.

Dr. Kultgen, our new Superintendent, will be our guest speaker that evening!

We will also be voting in a Nominating Committee for next year's PTA Board. If you are interested in being on the Nominating Committee, please email us at <u>littlecedarspta@gmail.com</u>.

As always, childcare will be provided.

Lego Club

Spring Lego Club Sign-Ups Start Thursday, January 12th

Lego Club is a long-running, highly attended club at Little Cedars! We provide building challenges and themes as well as opportunities for free-form building and playing with friends. Activities will be geared toward K-3rd grade students. Students do <u>NOT</u> need to bring their own Legos. **Our** slots fill up fast! This year, we are splitting our year in half to let more kids take part.

Spring Group: Feb. 15, Mar. 1, Mar. 15, Apr. 12, Apr. 26, May 10, May 24

When: Meets 2 Wednesdays a month after school, 2:50-3:50. Where: Little Cedars Skybridge, near the multi-purpose room Dues: \$20 donation

Sign-ups for the **Spring Group** will start on **Thursday**, **1/12** and **prioritize kids who did not attend in the Fall**. Please print the sign-up sheet and return it to school with your child or leave it in the PTA mailbox at school. The sign-up sheet can be found here: http://littlecedarspta.org/Doc/Events/Lego%20Club%20Sign-Up%20Spring%202017.pdf

Questions? Please email Emily Walker at Emily@siren-song.com

All PTA Board Positions Open for 2017-2018 School Year

All PTA board positions are open for next year!

This is a great way to make a difference in our Little Cedars Community! Anyone interested in joining the board next year, please email us at https://ittlecedarspta@gmail.com. We will be voting on a new board at our April General Membership Meeting (Tuesday, April 18th).

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Stay Connected

There are so many great ways to connect with LCE PTA. Here are a few links to get you started:

Website: http://littlecedarspta.org/Home, Facebook: https://littlecedarspta.org/Home, Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/LittleCedarsPTA, https://www.facebook.com/LittleCedarsPTA, https://www.facebook.com/LittleCedarsPTA, https://www.facebook.com/LittleCedarsPTA, and Wolverine Weekly Sign Ups: https://www.facebook.com/LittleCedarsPTA, and Wolverine Weekly is a weekly email sent by the PTA to keep you informed of the current PTA happenings. It is a great place to find out about fun events and volunteer opportunities.

Box Tops

Please clip and save your Box Tops for Education coupons! Send them to school with your child and we will redeem them for cash (\$0.10 per box top) used for educational items, programs, and events sponsored by the LCE PTA.

Wolverine Wednesdays

Show your school pride by wearing your spirit wear and/or school colors to school on Wednesdays for the rest of the year.

Spelling Bee Cancelled

Due to PTA budget cuts, the Spelling Bee (originally scheduled for January 27th) has been cancelled. We're hoping to bring this event back next year. Thank you for your understanding.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks will be available for purchase until March 31st. For more information please visit the PTA website: <u>http://littlecedarspta.org/Page/Events%20_%20Programs/Yearbook</u>

We need your help to make our yearbook great! As you take pictures of class and school events and programs throughout the year, please share your photographs with us for possible inclusion in the yearbook. All photos need to be submitted by February 16, 2017. Pictures can be emailed to <u>littlecedarsyearbook@gmail.com</u>.

Little Cedars Auction Interest Meetings

Several people have expressed interest in holding an auction as a fundraiser. LCE PTA would love to support an auction, however, these events require a ton of advanced planning and many volunteers. At this time, we have a silent auction planned for this year but would like to hold Auction Interest meetings to try to get those interested set up to make this event a possibility for the 2017/2018 school year.

We will hold 4 meetings over the next several weeks, hoping the varying times and dates will make it possible for all who want to attend. Content for all meetings will be the same, you only need to attend one of these meetings if interested. The goal is to see how much interest there really is, ensure we will have the volunteers needed and try to get a committee formed.

Meeting Dates and Times:

Tuesday January 24th, 6:30pm LCE Library (before General Membership meeting - free childcare provided for both meetings)

Wednesday February 1st, 10am Safeway - sitting area by fireplace (5802 134th PI SE, Everett, WA 98208)

Monday February 13th, 7pm Safeway - sitting area by fireplace (5802 134th PI SE, Everett, WA 98208)

Tuesday February 21st, 11am Safeway - sitting area by fireplace (5802 134th PI SE, Everett, WA 98208)

If you cannot attend any of these meetings, but are interested in being a part of the committee, please contact us at littlecedarspta@gmail.com

Upcoming Events and Need for Volunteers

Note: All events are subject to cancellation if we do not have enough volunteers.

WatchDog Father/Daughter Dance: Save the date for the Father/Daughter Dance. Friday, February 3, 2017. More information coming soon!

Talent Show: Mark your calendars for this year's Talent Show! March 3rd at 6:30pm. Now is the time to start putting together your groups and practicing! We will have two preview days on February 27th for K-3 and February 28th for 4-6. Go to www.littlecedarspta.org for more information and to fill out parent and participant forms. Questions? Email at jen.randall@outlook.com.

Science Fair: Our Science Fair will be held on Wednesday, March 15th. If you'd like to help with this program, please email Emily Walker at Emily@siren-song.com.

Spring Silent Auction: The silent auction is coming up (Friday, April 28) and we would like it to be better than ever. We could use some help organizing this event and getting donations for gift baskets and/or services. If you can help with this great event in any way, please contact Tanya Jaegel at <u>tjaegel@hotmail.com</u>.

Spring Carnival: The Spring Carnival will return this year Friday, April 28. We need volunteers to help make this event a success. If you are interested in helping or have any ideas for this year's carnival, please let us know at napa2002@hotmail.com. We will need several volunteers to make this event successful. If you are interested in helping with the Carnival, please email Erika Keating at napa2002@hotmail.com. We will need several volunteers to make this event successful. If you are interested in helping with the Carnival, please email Erika Keating at napa2002@hotmail.com.