Spring Social/Book Fair

Mark your calendars for our annual Spring Social on Friday, April 8. Details on page 7 of this newsletter. It will be a fun time with games, food, prizes, booths set up in the gym, and our Buy 1, Get 1 Free Book Fair in the Harrison Room. Classes will be rotating through the book fair on the 8th during the school day. Teachers will have classroom “wish lists” of books they’d love to have at the fair.

If you’re interested in helping in some way, please contact Emilie Mazieres at emilierobineaumazieres@gmail.com. Book Fair volunteers should contact Shelly Osbourne at skosbourne@yahoo.com. A volunteer form is on page 6.

We have two Parkside Destination Imagination teams that have advanced to the Global Competition. The global competition will be held the last week of May in Knoxville, TN. The scientific challenge team is coached by Tami Iorio and Renee Degner and consists of Lukas Iorio, Ben Genter, Sam Hobbeheydar, Matthew Degner, Luke Sequeira, Jaehee Shim, and Animesh Bhatnagar.

The improv team is coached by Holly Chastain and Alecia Harrison and team members are Ava Chastain, Chloe Day, Henry Ulrich, Meghana Penmathsa, Haley Potter, Deshna Venkatachalam, and Rachel Harrison. Congratulations to all these wonderful young people who are doing a great job representing Parkside. Best of luck on your next round of competition!
Food is Not Trash
By Nancy Millspaugh, RD,CD, BCSC Director of Food Service

An estimated 1 billion pounds of uneaten, unopened food items are discarded annually in American Schools. We can do better than feeding landfills while 1 in 6 children go hungry. Students deserve the right to make a better choice-FOOD IS NOT TRASH.

BCSC hopes to end the destructive practice of waste by providing NO THANK YOU TABLES in all our cafeterias. Each cafeteria has a table designated for unopened, uneaten food items that students do not want. Examples would be an unopened carton of milk, a sealed packaged of string cheese, etc. The tables are able to keep temperature sensitive items cooled safely. Students that are still hungry during the lunch period may visit the “No Thank You” table to choose extra items to eat at no additional cost. At the end of the lunch period, the items are collected by café staff, are stored in separate containers marked for donation, and once a week the items are sent to Love Chapel or BCSC Food Pantries for distribution to the public. August through December, our stats show that we have kept 1,697 pounds of uneaten food from entering the landfill and 1,697 pounds of food have been donated to the community.

BCSC Kids + “No Thank You” Tables= No Kid Hungry.

BCSC Food Service….What are YOU having for lunch today?

Parkside Landscaping

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Spring Clean-up day. The courtyard and front of the school are much improved. Special thanks to Tasha Tyner for organizing a great event. Becky Church is donating the front pots to Parkside as a gift. She will be planting and maintaining them throughout the season. She has a grandson, Isaiah Church, in Ms. McIntyre’s first grade class. Thank you, Becky! They’re beautiful.

We’ll be doing another Courtyard workday in the fall and possibly an event this summer, so keep your eyes out for those green flyers!

It’s Toe Token Season again!

Do you have a little time every week to volunteer at Toe Tokens? The program is going to be starting up again on April 4. If you have an hour or two to help out, please send Carrie Utterback an email at carrieutterback@yahoo.com.

Staff Appreciation help needed

On Tuesday, May 2, the PTO is planning a staff appreciation soup luncheon for the Parkside staff in the Harrison Room.

In order to do this, we need your help. Would you be willing to make a crockpot of soup, prepare a sandwich platter or make a dessert? We are also looking for help with set-up/serving/clean-up. If so, please email Anne Delano at abdelano@gmail.com.
April Students of the Month

**KINDERGARTEN**

**Mrs. Grider**
Colton Bitner
Carolina Hales
Jared Miranda Prieto
Nicolis Traylor

**Mrs. Critzer**
Ethan Staggs
Pete Stewart
Pranav Subramanian

**Mrs. Starnes**
Carmen Sawyer
Syon Shekhar
Isabella Stepper

**1ST GRADE**

**Mrs. Knight**
Claire Rawlins
Heath Harrison

**Mrs. McIntyre**
Tyson Tyner
Yulissa Valadez

**Ms. Gallion**
Joslyn Soto
Brianna Whitis
Molly Willey
Eli Wright

**Mrs. Cole**
Addison Bailey
Aiden Burton
Chinmay Karykar

**2ND GRADE**

**Mrs. Sprong**
Mickey Romano
David Simpson
Edward Simpson

**Mr. Hashman**
Josh Nauert
Brookelynn Tudor
Harshil Gandhi

**Mrs. Taylor**
Noah Simpson
Zinnia Singh
Logan Vanzant

**Mrs. Elwood**
Lukas Schaefer
Rebecca Simon
Joslyn Soto

**3RD GRADE**

**Mrs. Brougher**
Lindsey Aguilar Ramos
Aiden Gonsior

**Mrs. Love**
Johana Dubon-Diaz
Jonahtan Harmes
Chris Puente

**Mrs. Rawlins**
Max Shera
Jamie Bowling
Samuel Song
Amelia Sioui
Chloie Davis

**4TH GRADE**

**Mrs. Carr**
Frankie Polyak
Haoyang Zhang

**Mrs. Harmon**
Cheyenne Hutchinson
Pedro Martinho Gamba
Luis Melendez Callazo

**Mr. Ulrich**
Talara
Warren
Kevin
Jasmine
Angelina

**5TH GRADE**

**Mrs. Chastain**
Luis Jaimes Gil
Ellen White

**Mr. Rayburn**
Cole Ehara
Claire King
James Sawyer
Anushri Yerragolla

**6TH GRADE**

**Mrs. Rawlings**
Harlee Allen
Brayson Bennett
Dylan Sluys
Anushka Nair

**Mrs. Hendrickson**
Dylan Denney
Charlie Lay
Olivia Wojie

**Mrs. Stroh**
Josh Nelson
Isaac McCray
Thomas Caldwell
Counselor’s Corner
Tips to prevent cyberbulling

What is cyberbullying?
Cyberbullying is trying to hurt someone’s feelings or reputation through cell phones, websites, or other electronic means.
Here are some tips to help prevent cyberbullying:

Be Aware of What Your Kids are Doing Online
• Talk with your kids about cyberbullying and other online issues regularly.
• Know the sites your kids visit and their online activities. Ask where they’re going, what they’re doing, and who they’re doing it with.
• Tell your kids that as a responsible parent you may review their online communications if you think there is reason for concern. Installing parental control filtering software or monitoring programs are one option for monitoring your child’s online behavior, but do not rely solely on these tools.
• Have a sense of what they do online and in texts. Learn about the sites they like. Try out the devices they use.
• Ask for their passwords, but tell them you’ll only use them in case of emergency.
• Ask to “friend” or “follow” your kids on social media sites or ask another trusted adult to do so.

Establish Rules about Technology Use
• Establish rules about appropriate use of computers, cell phones, and other technology. For example, be clear about what sites they can visit and what they are permitted to do when they’re online. Show them how to be safe online.
• Help them be smart about what they post or say. Tell them not to share anything that could hurt or embarrass themselves or others. Once something is posted, it is out of their control whether someone else will forward it.
• Encourage kids to think about who they want to see the information and pictures they post online. Should complete strangers see it? Real friends only? Friends of friends? Think about how people who aren’t friends could use it.
• Tell kids to keep their passwords safe and not share them with friends. Sharing passwords can compromise their control over their online identities and activities.

Mrs. Love’s third grade class has been kind enough to allow Mrs. Morlok’s Pre-K students to join them as they help feed the birds this winter. The Pre-K students love spending time in nature with the “older kids!”

A little help from a friend...
Parker Bear Winners

Below is the list of students who will receive a gift certificate to the book fair. Their names have been drawn randomly from those who participated in the program. Mrs. Sprong’s class had the best participation rate. Books will be distributed to all students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade soon. Congratulations to all the readers!

KINDERGARTEN--
Emalie Smith - Critzer; Jaxon Cox - Grider; Archit Joshi - Grider

1ST GRADE
Jiyun Shim - Knight; Kenzie Carney - Lewis; Nimisha Gaikwad - Lewis

2ND GRADE
Rosie Garcia - Sprong; Morgan Jarvis - Taylor; Logan Vanzant - Taylor

3RD GRADE
Elliott Bryant - Bodkins; Andrew Qin - Love; Kianah Hardin - Rawlins

You are needed! Join PTO!

Here are some of the areas where PTO is active: Walkathon, Newsletter, Staff Appreciation, Green Team, Bonus Programs, Landscaping, Social Committee, Logo Clothing, Grade Level Representatives, Welcoming Committee, Parker Bear Reading Program, and Book Fair. Parkside has a great history of parents who are willing to step up and volunteer. Let’s keep the tradition alive! Please contact Sonya Tickel at btickel@att.net if you want to learn more about any of these responsibilities.

Newsletter Editor/Designer Needed!

It has been a pleasure to work on this publication for the last several years. As my daughter is graduating from Parkside this May, I will be passing on this job to someone new. Do you have experience in publishing? Are you detail-oriented and proficient in editing and design? The best candidate would be someone who is willing to be involved with what is going on at Parkside. You will need to contact the staff, athletic director, and PTO leadership to include the latest information to include in the newsletter each month. I’m willing to help the next newsletter editor get started. Contact me if you have questions.

Sonya Tickel, btickel@att.net.
It is almost time for the PTO Spring Social & Book Fair!
In order to have these successful events we need your help! The Spring Social will be on Friday, April 8 from 5:30-7:00. The Book Fair will be open all day on Friday and during the social.

Circle the area/time you would be willing to help out.

**Spring Social: evening of Friday, April 8**
- set up 4:30-5:30
- clean up 7-7:30
- during: 5:30-7:00 5:30-6:15 6:15-7

**Book Fair: school day of Thursday, April 7**
- set up 8:15-10

**Book Fair: school day of Friday, April 8**
- 8:00-3:30- times you are available____________________

**Book Fair: evening of Friday, April 8**
- 5:30-7:00  5:30-6:15  6:15-7:00

Your name____________________________________________

Email Address________________________________________

Phone Number_______________________________________

For Questions contact Emilie or Shelly at:
Emilie at int.fair.parkside@gmail.com
Shelly at skosbourne@yahoo.com
**Spring fair**

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**Let’s have fun together!**

It’s Indiana’s 200th birthday! Let’s celebrate our state and learn about some others.

Participating classes will create a board about one state. Parents-do not hesitate to help your child and his/her teacher with the research! It’s important for the children to participate. During the Spring Fair, everyone present can vote for their favorite board and the first three winners will receive a prize for the whole class. Winning class teachers also get a great prize!!

For entertainment, we will have a bouncy castle from Easterling Entertainment, some fun games, and a food vendor from the Columbus Robotics Club in the cafeteria. And, of course, don’t forget to make a stop in the Harrison Room for the **Buy 1, Get 1 FREE book fair**!

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**1**

DO SOME RESEARCH

Email your teacher to find out which state is assigned to your child’s class

**2**

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, April 8

**3**

COME AND HAVE FUN!

Don’t forget your camera!