

# Message from the PTO

## Parent Express

## E-Tales for the week of August 24<sup>th</sup>

### [JOIN US FOR THE FIRST PTO MEETING](#)

*August 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 AM in the Library*

This year we need to raise over \$130,000 to support our students – REALLY? Yes! That includes salaries for teaching assistants, field trips, enrichment programs, and classroom subscriptions. Want to know more? Please join us! We will have updates on upcoming fall activities, as well as time for discussion of our proposed 2015/16 Budget. Please see the attachment for our Proposed 2015/2016 Budget or visit our website for more info: [http://cottonwoodcreekpto.digitalpto.com/files/2015/08/Proposed-Budget\\_FY16.pdf](http://cottonwoodcreekpto.digitalpto.com/files/2015/08/Proposed-Budget_FY16.pdf)

### [WHAT'S NEW AT COTTONWOOD...](#)

**Beachwear Day on Friday, Aug 28<sup>th</sup>:** Time to say goodbye to the summer with Beachwear Day! Let your child dress up in their best beach attire, NO SWIMSUITS or BARE FEET, please! Have them bring a towel to use during the school-wide reading event.

### [THANK YOU!](#)

- A big THANK YOU to the Welcoming Committee for hosting our New Family Welcome Breakfast, as well as the Kindie Coordinators for hosting our Koffee & Kleenex Event.
- Another big THANK YOU goes out to our Volunteer Manager Coordinators, Tammy Damrath and Paula Hruska, for working hard on uploading all of our families into the new school email system.
- Last, but certainly not least, THANK YOU to the hard-working Spirit Wear Committee, Amy Shineman, Katy Truitt, and Erin Yokomichi, for wrapping up another successful event!

### [WE NEED YOUR HELP!](#)

**Cottonwood Ambassador Families Needed!** Help welcome a new family to the neighborhood! We will match one ambassador family to one new family based on children's ages? Interested? Contact Stephanie Peacock at [peacockbrd@yahoo.com](mailto:peacockbrd@yahoo.com).

### [WHAT'S HAPPENING AT COTTONWOOD...](#)

**Cultural Connections Welcome Breakfast!** September 4th: Cultural Connections invites you to a light breakfast at 9am in the cafeteria. Join us to see old friends and make a few new ones! Details are in the attached flyer.

### Upcoming Dates:

- 8/28: *First PTO Meeting* at 8am in the Library
- 8/28: *Parents Night Out*, Cottonwood Party, from 6pm-8pm in the Gym (Must sign up through PTO by Aug. 25th to attend)
- 8/28: *Beachwear Day* ALL DAY
- 9/1: *PIN Meeting* from 9:15am-11:15am at SARC

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- 9/3: *School Picture Day ALL DAY*
- 9/4: *Cultural Connections Welcome Breakfast* at 9:15am in the Cafeteria
- 9/7: NO SCHOOL, *Labor Day*

**2015-2016 PTO MEETING DATES**

- Friday, August 28, 2015 – 8:00 a.m. - Library
- Friday, September 18, 2015 - 9:00 am - Cafeteria
- Thursday, October 15, 2015 – 6:00 pm. - Fall Allocations – Library
- Friday, November 20, 2015 - 8:00 am - Library
- Friday, January 22, 2016 - 9:00 am - Cafeteria
- Friday, February 19, 2016 - 8:00 am - Library
  - Q&A Session on Nomination Process for E-board – Feb. 19, 2016 from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. in the Cafeteria immediately following PTO meeting
- Friday, March 18, 2016 -9:00 am - Cafeteria
- Friday, April 22, 2016 - 8:00 am - Library
- Thursday, May 19, 2016 – 6:00 pm - Spring Allocations – Library

Kathleen McCrohan & Stephanie Peacock

*Cottonwood Creek PTO Co-Presidents*

Attachment #1: [Proposed Budget\\_FY16.pdf](#)

Attachment #2: [Welcome Breakfast FLYer 2015.docx](#)