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Parents, teachers and the community working together to promote educational excellence for our children.

Co-Presidents' Corner

*by Diane Henderson & Kristi Mitchell,
Co-Presidents*

Well fall is definitely here in the Pacific Northwest. We hope that everyone is settling back into the routine of school, activities, homework, Wednesday Envelopes and packed lunches. Our family has already upgraded to the Costco size peanut butter to ensure we don't run out anytime soon.

The Chloe Clark PTA is doing its part to make this year memorable for your student and your family. We kicked off our year with the Family Movie night. It was a huge success; over 117 families came to the Community Room with their blankets & pillow pets and enjoyed popcorn while watching Gnomeo and Juliet. It was a great night. We have many other great events coming up as

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Thank You Jeffery Ford, September Volunteer of the Month

by Kristen Newman, Volunteer Chair



Our Volunteer of the month for September 2011 is Jeffery Ford. This volunteer has been an outstanding volunteer at Chloe Clark! Mr. Slater, First Grade teacher states: "In our classroom, he comes in whenever he can and immediately makes himself useful, from grading and organizing papers, to expertly managing small groups of kids or working with them one-to-one, Mr. Ford is always a wonderful sight to see enter our room. He has a very positive relationship with the kids that is balanced with a good sense and ability with behavior intervention. Mr. Ford also helps throughout the school, from recess to bus lines." Jeffery Ford contributed 32 volunteer hours in September and we are so lucky to have a great volunteer like Mr. Ford at Chloe Clark. Congratulations to Jeffery Ford for Volunteer of the Month September 2011.

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well: Science club, Reflections, Box Tops Store, Popcorn Wednesdays, Ready-Set-Read and Family Game & Craft night. We hope that you, your student and your entire family will be able to participate and enjoy several if not all the upcoming events and activities.

In addition to the PTA newsletter, we have 2 other good sources that always have the current PTA information: 1. The creative and colorful PTA bulletin board in the hallway just outside the community room & across from the library; and 2. The Chloe Clark

PTA website (www.chloelarkpta.com) which also provides archived Wednesday Envelope flyers, meeting minutes, and other useful links.

If you are interested in learning more about the PTA or volunteering for one or more of the PTA events, please feel free to contact Diane or me at president@chloelarkpta.com. We are excited about doing our part in helping Chloe Clark achieve its mission: Parents, teachers, and the community working together to promote educational excellence for our children.

Chloe Clark Volunteers are Amazing!

by Kristen Newman, Volunteer Chair

For the month of September, we had 430 volunteer hours. Your donated time at home, in the classrooms is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for the work that you do. I can honestly say that the volunteers make Chloe Clark an even better school for our students.

There are a few reminders for all volunteers:

- If your original background check was done more than two years ago, it has expired and you are required to complete a new one to continue volunteering.
- If you have a valid background check but need your ID badge or 2011-2012 sticker, drop in badges can be done between 9am-2pm at the district office in Steilacoom (510 Chambers St.) or contact Samantha Deaton at the district office at 253-983-2200 to schedule an appointment.
- If you would like to volunteer more than one time per school year, you must, must,

have a valid background check on file. Forms are available at the front office, or on the PTA website at www.chloelarkpta.com, or you can request one and I'll send it home to you in Wednesday envelopes.

- Most volunteer outreach is done via email. If you have not been receiving emails about Volunteer Opportunities and would like to, please send an email to volunteer@chloelarkpta.com.
- If you are doing volunteer work outside of the normal school day, or if the volunteer log is unavailable while you are at the school, please record your hours on the "Off-Hours" timesheet, which is located on the PTA website or I can send you a sheet. At the end of each month, please turn the form into the front office or email it to volunteer@chloelarkpta.com. This helps us to know who our amazing volunteers are and give them the recognition they deserve as well as helping us apply for grants.

Vision & Hearing Screenings Completed

Chloe Clark PTA conducted its annual vision and hearing screening this past week. This year, we were once again fortunate to have the local Lions Club assist in the vision screening test and the Fire Department Chief assist in the hearing test. Many Chloe Clark parents and grandparents volunteered to ensure the program ran smoothly and efficiently. These are important tests to ensure your student's health and well being and the students did not even have to study!



Popcorn Wednesdays



.25¢ a Bag

A delicious way to raise
\$ for our PTA!

October	26
November	9 & 30
December	7 & 14
January	11 & 25
February	1, 15 & 29
March	14 & 28
April	11 & 18
May	9 & 23

Ready, Set, READ!

by Holly Wickenhagen, Ready, Set, Read Chair

Ready Set Read is a PTA sponsored reading incentive program. This program will run October 2011-May 2012.

At the beginning of each month, students will bring home a reading tracker for the month. Students are to read 20 minutes a day, five times a week. (Younger children may have their parents read to them 20 minutes a day.). Parent's please sign their tracker each month before turning in. The trackers need to be handed in by the 5th of the following month. They must be on time to be awarded the monthly prize, no exceptions.

The Monthly prize will be pizza! Again this year Farelli's pizza is generously donating a free kid's meal each month to every student who completes the monthly reading tracker. The children who turn in monthly trackers will also be featured in the Chloe Clark PTA newsletter.

In addition, this year for those students who complete a tracker each month (total of 8 trackers), they will be given books to reward each of them for their hard work this year. All trackers need to be filled out, signed and turned in by the 5th each month for the 8 month span.

Chloe Fitness Club is Off & Running!

by Janeen Lewis, Fitness Club Chair

Please remember to turn in your pedometer usage fee if you have not already done so. Also, be on the lookout for your child's monthly step progress to be posted on the PE board beginning November! For more info: Chloe Clark Fitness Club, chloestepclub@chloeclarkpta.com

PTA Membership Drive Ends October 14th!

The PTA membership drive ends October 14. Remember to submit your membership form before then to **help your child's class win a pizza party!** Join the PTA today at www.chloeclarkpta.com. For questions, contact Jeannine Wargo at membership@chloeclarkpta.com.



Encourage Creativity with Reflections

PTA REFLECTIONS by Janelle Mock, Reflections Chair

The Chloe Clark PTA announces the 2011-2012 theme for the National Reflections Program, "Diversity Means..."

For more than 40 years the National PTA has sought to enhance the arts education in our schools through the Reflections Program. Encourage your Chloe Clark creative student to express themselves and receive positive recognition for their artistic efforts with their entry into the program.

The Reflections Program is open for all students to enter in six categories: dance choreography, literature, musical composition, film production, photography, and the visual arts. The program offers students the opportunity to create works of art for fun and recognition on a local, state, and national level.

Please find more information online at www.ptareflections.org or contact the Chloe Clark Reflections Co-Chairs Laura Bryant and Janelle Mock at reflections@chloeclarkpta.com. Look for entry forms in your Wednesday envelopes. The deadline for entry is December 1st.

Science Club Coming Soon! by Jen McDonald, Science Club Chair

It's almost November and that means our first Science Club night is quickly approaching! We are excited to have some fun and do some experimenting. Our first night will be full of fun, mixing up some post-Halloween concoctions!

Turn in Your Box Tops to Raise \$ For Chloe Clark


Box tops are an easy way to raise money for our school. Clip box tops from popular products and let your student use box tops like money to "shop" our Box Tops Store before school and during lunch time.

You can also earn eBoxTops when you shop online at many of your favorite retailers.

For more information and a full list of participating products and retailers, visit www.boxtops4education.com.

Chloe Clark Box Tops Store Dates:

- October 14
- December 16
- February 17



Math Night Rescheduled

Please note that due to a scheduling conflict, the Math Night previously slated for **October 28th** has been postponed and will be rescheduled. Stay tuned for more information!



The Explorer Pledge

Today, I will be the best I can be.
I will BE SAFE.

I will BE KIND.
I will BE HELPFUL.
I will WORK HARD.

I will be an Explorer!
I'm proud of who I am and who I'm becoming.

Mark Your Calendars

~ October & November ~

Box Tops Store

October 14th

Superintendent's Community Forum

October 19th :: 6:30pm

Conferences ~ Half Days ~ Book Fair

October 17-21

Popcorn Wednesday

October 26th

PTA Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 1st :: 6:30pm

Popcorn Wednesday

November 9th

No School ~ Veteran's Day

November 11th

Thanksgiving Break

November 24th & 25th

Popcorn Wednesday

November 30th

Visit www.chloelarkpta.com for our up to the minute calendar of events

Fall Fundraiser is Ongoing!

by Tammy Parsons, Fall Fundraiser Chair

A big "Thank You" to everyone who has already submitted money through the Fall Fundraiser envelopes! We are off to a great start and on our way towards reaching our goal of \$8,000.

Please continue to collect donations until the deadline of October 27. As envelopes are returned, students will receive their participation ribbons and thank you note / tax receipts for their donors. **All raffle tickets are being automatically submitted with the child's name. Students will not receive an actual ticket to hold on to.**

Remember, the student who collects the most money will win a Point Defiance Zoo prize pack, to include a one year family zoo membership. Everyone who returns an envelope receives a raffle ticket, and students earn additional tickets for every \$20 collected. Three \$50 Wal-Mart gift cards will be raffled after October 27.

Please contact fallfundraiser@chloelarkpta.com with any questions.

Treasurer's Report

by Bonnie Landes, Treasurer

	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
Income	\$24.49	\$3,086.12
Expenses	\$12,262.15	\$4,583.70
Beg. Balance	\$27,433.40	\$15,234.49
End Balance	\$15,234.49	\$13,498.35