

Dear Woodland Families and Staff,

September was a busy and wonderful month for the Woodland PTA. We had four profitable Scholastic book fairs, two yummy restaurant fundraisers, a sunny Park Playdate, and an amazing ROAR Run. Whether you volunteered at one of our events, bought a Scholastic book or a piece of spirit wear, grabbed dinner at Wendy's or Dickey's, ran a 1-mile or 5k, or became a member of the PTA, we would like to thank you for your continued support of our students and teachers!

We also had our first general meeting, and it was very well attended. As we would love to include even more of our families, we are going to have both a morning and evening meeting on Thursday, October 19. We will send out more information regarding time and location as it is available.

It's not too late to become a PTA member. Look for membership forms to come home in the next week. Thank you!

Antoinette Corelis, PTA President

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"WORKING TOGETHER FOR OUR CHILDREN"

As always, you can learn more about the PTA or volunteer for events by going to:



@woodlandpta50



Woodland PTA 50



www.woodland50pta.com

And be sure to click this:



To add our calendar to your devices!



Dist50pta@gmail.com

**Did you know...** the district has had both internal and external committees working on a new website for the past year? It will be rolling out on October 1<sup>st</sup> with an app for your smartphones a couple weeks later!

NEW  
UPDATED  
WEBSITE!  
**www.dist50.net**  
App coming  
mid-October!



It is time for Woodland's Fall Fundraiser. We are again working with World's Finest Chocolate to offer you delicious treats for your entire family. This is a request to you to help your children sell as much as they can, for every penny earned will be put into materials and activities for our schools. Please sell only to close friends, relatives, and coworkers. Sale runs October 2<sup>nd</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>.

Every Item is \$7 or less!! All items, from chocolate covered pretzels to cranberry nut mix, are perfect gifts for the holiday season!

This year, every child that sells 20 items or more will receive a cool Wildcat bag as a thank you for supporting the Woodland PTA! We are also giving away a 10 Jump Pass to "Jump America" to the Top Seller!

Please return completed order forms and pre-collected money to school by October 18th. Please make sure that the phone number or email address you enter is the best way to reach you.

Delivery will be on November 4 at Woodland Middle School. (7000 Washington Street) from 9a.m. to Noon. Pickup will be located at the East end of the building, near the soccer fields.

Any questions, please contact Joanne Strelzyk at sjmbstrelzyk@att.net or Jaime Heeres at jaimeheeres@gmail.com

volunteer  
do good, feel good  
**Open Position!!**

Primary Book Fair Chair - Responsibilities include setup, working, and take-down of three short fairs (one fair in November and two fairs in March). Ideal for a Primary parent with a preschooler who will one day attend Woodland, as well. Contact Antoinette at dist50pta@gmail.com with any questions.

**\$87,675**

What our approved 2017-2018 budget plans to give directly back to our schools, staff, and students in the form of assemblies, scholarships, grants and more!

**AND the reason we need your support!**

#### DISTRICT NEWS

**This is your chance to give input about what you want to see in our schools!**

The district is beginning work on a new five-year strategic plan. Parents will be asked to complete a short survey in early October. There will also be a focus group on October 10<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-7:30p.m. at the Educational Support Center. Discussions will include the following topics: student learning; student well-being; staff recruitment and development; finance and facilities; community relations and district pride. Please R.S.V.P. by noon, October 6<sup>th</sup> to Laura Campanella at lcampanella@dist50.net.

# Calendar

- Oct 3,10,17,24 – PRI/EE/EW Latino Literacy Meeting @PRI 5:45p.m.
- Oct 4 – Dual Language Advisory Committee @ INT Band Room 6:30p.m.
- Oct 4 – Reflections Awards Ceremony @INT 5:30-7p.m.
- Oct 6 – No School (Teacher Institute Day)
- Oct 9 – No School (Columbus Day) & Ceramics for You Fundraiser
- Oct 11 – Dual Language Parent University @ PRI 6:30p.m.
- Oct 12 – EE Harvest Fest PBIS Night
- Oct 18 – Jimano’s Fundraiser 4-8p.m.
- Oct 18 – WF Chocolate Orders Due
- Oct 19 – PTA Meeting @ESC 9:30a.m.
- Oct 20 – End of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter
- Oct 24 – Park Playdate @PRI 4-5:30p.m.
- Oct 25 – EW 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Music Program Times TBD by classroom.
- Oct 26 – EE Halloween Sing/Parties 2p.m.
- Oct 26 – NJHS Induction @MS 6:30p.m.
- Oct 26 – School Board Mtg @ESC 7:00p.m.
- Oct 27 – PRI Halloween Parties
- Oct 27 – Report Cards Home
- Oct 31 – EW Halloween Parties 2:10p.m.

**Early Release Times:**  
 10:40a.m. MS ~ 11:15a.m. INT  
 12:00p.m. EE/EW ~ 12:10p.m. PRI

**Acronyms:**  
 BPAC – Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee  
 EE – Elementary East  
 ESC – Educational Support Center  
 EW – Elementary West  
 INT – Intermediate  
 MS – Middle School  
 PRI – Primary School  
 WELE – Woodland Early

## Holiday Shop is coming!

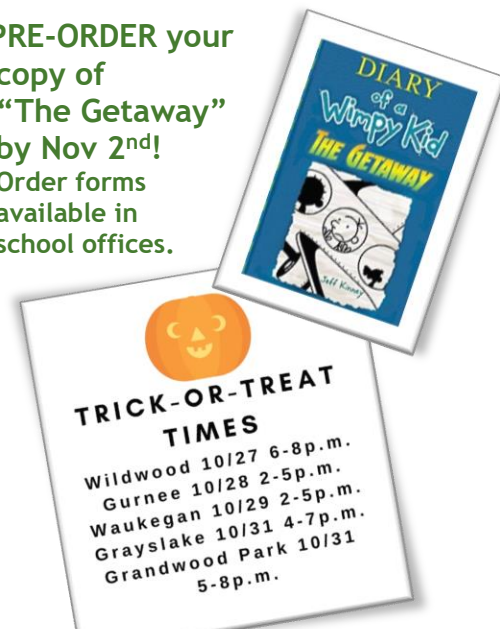
We are so excited to announce the Holiday Shop will be open to all Woodland students and will be located at the Intermediate School on Thursday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 4-8p.m. and Friday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 4-8p.m. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will also be given the opportunity to shop during the school days. Our volunteers will help your child select and wrap the perfect holiday gifts within your budget. (from \$.50 to \$15) and offer a range of products for everyone...Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, teachers, friends and even pets! More information will be sent home with your child in mid-November.

## “Within Reach”

October 4<sup>th</sup> is the Reflections art and award show for the 2016-2017 reflections contest. Anyone is invited to come and enjoy the art. RSVP to Tiffany.soler@gmail.com

Start your art!! This year's Reflection contest is "Within Reach." Submissions are due November 17<sup>th</sup> in your student's office. You can find rules and submission papers on our PTA website. If you have any questions please contact Tiffany.soler@gmail.com

**PRE-ORDER your copy of “The Getaway” by Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>!** Order forms available in school offices.



*Need a new dinner idea? Looking for something to do with the family? Look no further than **The Fundraiser Flash!** Join us for food, fun, and friendships all while supporting the Woodland schools.*



**CFY 10.9.17 ALL DAY**  
 6695-D Grand Ave, Gurnee, IL  
 Purchase gift cards for the holidays!



**Jimano's 10.18.17 4-8p.m.**  
 7010 W. Grand Ave, Gurnee, IL  
 Look for the flyer on our website.



**Wendy's 10.11.17 5-8p.m.**  
 6585 Grand Ave, Gurnee, IL  
 Just mention "Woodland Dist 50"!



Thank you to our ROAR Run committee members (Bernadette Marty, Julie Wiley, Olivia Zeisler, Nicole Mertens, Donna Stanciak, Heather Weidemann, Annette Santello, Deana Vrabel, Michelle Lazar, Heather Rand, Jenn Beardman) and the numerous volunteers for an amazing event. And thank you to all the local businesses who donated to the event.

An additional thank you to our Scholastic Book Fair chairs (Katherine Thompson, Krystal Polit (with the help of Heather Rosenberg), Janet Stich, and Paula Wendland) and everyone who volunteered their time working the fairs.