

December 2011

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Fairfield Central Elementary School News

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Principal's News

From the Desk of Mr. Wood

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Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our first grade students. They performed at the PTC Meeting on November 15th. The theme of the concert was "Old McDonald's Farm." They have been busy practicing and making props for the concert.

A special thank you to the Rotary Club. Over the past four years, one of their service projects is to give a dictionary to each child in third grade. Central appreciates the Rotary's generosity and the students really enjoy having their own dictionary.

We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable Thanksgiving break.

Central Bullying Prevention Spirit Week was the week of November 14. Following were the themes for each day. We hope everyone participated and stand up to bullying.

Monday, November 14 – We are all on the same team! Wore our favorite sports team apparel
Tuesday, November 15 – Put bullying to rest! Wore our favorite pajamas
Wednesday, November 16 – We are all different! Wore wacky tacky clothes
Thursday, November 17 – We mean business! Dressed for success
Friday, November 18 – Bullying Prevention Day! Wore blue

If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call at 829-7979, extension 149, and I will gladly assist you.

Sincerely,

Richard Wood
Fairfield Central Principal



We are on the WEB !!!

In order to save on paper and copying expenses, Fairfield Central will distribute hard copy Newsletters at the beginning of each quarter. Every month, the Central Newsletter will be updated on the Fairfield City Schools website. Find our monthly Newsletters online at: <http://www.fairfieldcityschools.com/Schools/Central/index.shtml>

WINTER WONDERLAND



Winter Wonderland is scheduled for the evening of December 9th at Fairfield Central from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. This will be an evening filled with games, crafts, and a lot of fun for the entire family. The kids can shop for family and friends while the parents can enter to win some wonderful gift baskets.

Volunteers for all different aspects of this event are needed. If you would like to donate items for our gift baskets, please give your donation marked "Winter Wonderland" to your teacher by December 6. Please see details in flier to be sent home with your child very soon. If questions or if you would like to volunteer, contact Pam Callaway at 509-8470.

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Mark your calendars for these special events:

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| Nov - Dec | Hat & Mitten Tree |
| December 1 | Market Day pick up |
| December 2-9 | Scholastic Book Fair |
| December 9 | Winter Wonderland |
| December 15 | CiCi's Pizza Night |
| December 16 | Spirit Day |
| December 21 | Holiday Parties |
| Dec 22 – Jan 1 | Winter Break-No School |
| January 16 | No School |
| January 27 | Cake Decorating Contest |

Activities and Events

HAT & MITTEN TREE – NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

Fairfield Central has set up a holiday tree to collect donated hats, mitten, and scarves in which students may hang their donated items on the tree. Central will donate the items to a local charity.

MARKET DAY – PICKUP DECEMBER 1 (5:00-6:00 PM)

Thank you for your continued support of Market Day. It is a good fundraiser for Central and you get to order tasty food. Please plan to pick up your orders at Central on December 1 from 5-6PM. The next pickup day is January 12 between 5-6pm. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for monthly Market Day delivery from 3:45-5:00 PM!!!** For more information, contact Mary Vollner at 829-7979. See "coupon" on page 3 for orders placed through 12/31/11.

BOOK FAIR – DECEMBER 2 - 9

A Scholastic Book Fair will be held at Central from December 2-9. A great way to show support and encourage reading! See more details on page 3 of this Newsletter.

WINTER WONDERLAND – DECEMBER 9

Enjoy an evening with family and friends at Central for a celebration of games, crafts, and lots of holiday fun!

CICI'S PIZZA NIGHT – DECEMBER 15

Enjoy a dinner out at CiCi's Pizza (at Jungle Jim's) on December 15 and tell them you are with Fairfield Central to support our school's great fundraiser!

SPIRIT DAY – DECEMBER 16

The next Spirit Day is Friday, December 16, so wear red/white or your Fairfield School Spirit gear to show your support of Central! Order your Central spirit wear through a PTC member.

HOLIDAY PARTIES – DECEMBER 21

Central class rooms will have holiday parties on December 21 with fun games, crafts, activities, and food. Watch for information about this party to be sent home with your child.

WINTER BREAK – DECEMBER 22-JANUARY 1

Fairfield Central will be closed for winter break from December 22 through January 1, returning to school on Monday, January 2, 2012. Enjoy this holiday and New Year's break with family!



NO SCHOOL – JANUARY 16

Fairfield City Schools will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2012, in recognition of the Martin Luther King Day Holiday.

CAKE DECORATING CONTEST – JANUARY 27

Show us your baking and cake decorating skills during Central's Cake Decorating Contest on January 27. Watch for details about this fun event to be sent home.

A Message from our PTC President!

Dear Central Families,

December and January are such busy months. We have a lot planned. Check out the Scholastic Book Fair, Winter Wonderland, the third and fourth grade chorus concert, class room holiday parties, and CiCi's Pizza Night in December. In January, look for Skyline Nights and our annual "He & Me Cake Decorating" evening. All are ways to support your student and school. The dates can be found on the PTC calendar.

The Hat and Mitten Tree is up and ready to be decorated with donated new hats, mittens, and scarves. We also appreciate nonperishable items to place under the tree. All items are donated to Rethreads which help local families in need.

We had over \$10,000 in sales for our Fall Midland Fundraiser. Thanks to all that participated. Way to go! If you are interested in helping or volunteering, please contact the PTC.

Enjoy your holiday season and winter break,

Jill Arent, PTC President
Fairfield Central Elementary School

Little Red School House is Now Open!



The Little Red School House is now open on Tuesdays during lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Your child may buy pens, pencils, folders, notebooks, and other school supplies. If questions, please contact Pam Callaway at 509-8470.

Scholastic Book Fair!

We are being invaded...by books! Check out the Scholastic Book Fair where *Reading is Out of This World* from **December 2 – 9**. We are open every day from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, Thursday evening, Dec 8, 5:00-7:00PM and Friday evening, Dec 9, 6:30-8:00 PM. We accept cash, checks, and credit cards. If you can't make it, check out our online book fair at www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs and click on "Fairfield Central."

Parents & Teachers for Children

The PTC supports the administrators, teachers and students by helping with various activities throughout the year that enhance the educational experience for the students. In addition, the PTC Board raises money that is used to supply educational materials and opportunities for our school.

2011-2012 PTC Board Members

President – Jill Arent, 874-2456
1st Vice President – Mindy Bill, 874-1654
2nd Vice President – Pam Callaway 509-8470
Treasurer – Chrissy Lynch, 942-1003
Secretary – Shirlene Norris, 874-7668
Volunteer Coordinator – Crystal Hensely, 942-2631
Volunteer Coordinator – Beth Bailey, 807-8225

If you are interested in this rewarding volunteer organization, please call Jill Arent at 874-2456.

Campbell's Labels for Education Collection

Thanks to all our efforts, and the Campbell's Labels program, we are able to purchase equipment and items for Central which would not otherwise have been in the budget. Participation in the program is easy...simply save UPC's (*not the entire label*) from participating products and send them to school with your child. Some of the products eligible for redemption include (*but are not limited to*):

- Campbell's® soups
- SpaghettiOs® Pasta
- Prego® Italian sauces
- Swanson® stocks, broths and canned poultry
- Pepperidge Farm® Goldfish® crackers

Please help us by saving these UPC's! Each one matters. If you have questions with our Labels collection, please contact Jennifer Martin at 206-2820, or Kellie Long at 884-4264. This is a great opportunity to help Central and support your student from home by saving labels for submission.

Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found lockers at Central for any misplaced items (*coats, hats, gloves, scarves, etc.*). Label your child's personal belongings to avoid lost items. **Volunteers needed!** Please call a Volunteer Coordinator on our PTC Board to help.

Treasurer's Report...by Chrissy Lynch, PTC Treasurer

Thank you to all for the support of the Midland Fundraiser. Our sales were over \$10,000, up 25% over last year, so thanks for your support. We also would like to thank Watson's for their donation of \$150 for extra recess supplies for our students. We had a CiCi's Pizza Night that brought in \$93 last month and don't forget about Skyline's support right now if you visit the Hicks Blvd. location. Our PTC Funds are currently \$20,853.99 for checking, and \$3,300.93 for savings.



FUNDRAISING



Campbell's Labels & Box Tops

Gather up all of those Campbell's labels/UPCs and Box Tops that you have been saving and start sending them in. If you are new to our school, here is how it works: Just collect labels/UPCs from Campbell's products and Box Tops points. By sending them in to the School, we are able to "purchase" valuable educational items from an extensive catalog for our school with these labels/UPCs/Box Tops. As an added incentive, the two classrooms that collect the most labels will get to have an ice cream party at the end of the school year as a reward for their effort. Send in those labels now to Shirley Norris!

My Coke Rewards for Schools Program

Turn in your Coke codes and/or bottle caps to our PTC Secretary, Shirlene Norris, in order for Central to earn rewards for school supplies and educational resources.

MARKET DAY PROGRAM

Market day is a great fundraising opportunity. Parents can purchase great tasting brand named foods for their family, which a portion of the proceeds is given to the School. If you're not already a customer, why not try a few products this month! You can also place your order online at www.marketday.com and use school code 6081.

*******COUPON*******

NEW CUSTOMER OFFER - SAVE \$5 when you spend \$25* Enter **PROMO CODE: NEWFIVE** at check out at marketday.com

1. Select your organization and register at marketday.com
2. Shop this month's selection of food items and place order
3. Pick up your groceries at your monthly sale event at school

*Offer good for 1st time purchase only. Minimum purchase requirement before tax. Offer valid on marketday.com only when promo code is entered during online checkout. Cannot be used for redemption at sale pickup locations, Market Day/Sara Lee stores, or on Peapod orders. No substitutions. Valid for sale pickup dates through 12/31/11. Offers subject to change or termination without notice. Cannot be combined with any other discounts.