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Dates to Remember

May 4-8 - Teacher Appreciation Week

May 8 - Fri. - Corl Street Spirit Day wear Corl Street clothing or maroon and/or gray

May 13 - Wed. - Book Exchange

May 13 - Wed. - PTO monthly meeting 7:00 pm; APR, childcare available

May 15 - Fri. - Favorite T-shirt Day wear your favorite t-shirt



May 15 - Fri. - Family Movie Night: Big Hero 6 6:00 pm; SCAHS South Cafeteria

May 22 & 29 - Fri. - Corl Street Spirit Day wear Corl Street clothing or maroon and/or gray

May 25 - Mon. - Memorial Day No School! Enjoy the holiday!

June 3 - Wed. - PTO monthly meeting 6:30 pm; APR, childcare available



June 5 - Fri. - Corl Street Spirit Day wear Corl Street clothing or maroon and/or gray

June 8 - Mon. - Field Day Bingo

June 10 - Wed. - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

week of Aug 24 - Back-to-School Events date and time TBD New Family Orientation Ice Cream Social

Sept. 1 - Tues. - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!

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Field Day Bingo is coming in June! See page 3 for details.

Dear Parents & Teachers.

We're in the last six weeks of our school year. We can see the fruits of our PTO money at work; six trees were planted on the playground, several grades are going on field trips, thank you gifts were given to 20 crossing guards, the yearbook is being printed, and the garden is coming to life.

We have a few events coming up: Teacher Appreciation Week, the Book Exchange, Movie Night, and Field Day.

Our work isn't finished; we have two remaining meetings this school year, May 13th & June 3rd. On May 13th, we're discussing the 2015/16 budget and we hope to find volunteers to chair the newsletter, author visit, and 5th grade party. On June 3rd, we'll finalize and vote on our budget for next school year.

Thank you to all who have shared your time and talents this school year through PTO sponsored events for our students at Corl Street Elementary!

Karen Moser PTO President kdmoser63@gmail.com



Corl Street water bottles and magnets will be available through the remainder of the school year for \$5 each.

Spirit sale apparel orders are due May 13.

See page 3 for details!



It's always a good time to think about ice cream.
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This school year, our PTO raised close to \$22,000.00!

Our finances are in great shape. We have an income of \$21,900 and expenditures of \$7,887 with a few large expenses still to come. Even with those expenses we will have money left over to hopefully buy new walkie talkies and chairs for the teachers' lounge.

Our expenses since 9/1/14 total \$7,35.88. The following is a list of examples to show how our PTO funds have been spent since January:

Income

\$19,637 - Cougar Cat Run

\$905 - Box Tops

\$498 - Giant rewards

\$941 - Target Red Card Rewards

Expenses

\$1,355 - Author visit

\$229 - Expo

\$596 - Penn Skates Family Night

\$393 - Ice Cream Social

\$517 - Fort Roberdeau trip (5th grade)

\$258 - Way Fruit Farm Trip (Kindergarten)

\$270 - Child Care for PTO meetings

\$98 - Printing costs

\$501 - Unbudgeted items (seed kits 1st grade, paint for play ground, bus for 4th grade to Arboretum)

\$181 - PTO expenses (bank supplies, Door prizes for PTO meetings)

\$2,284 - Teacher allocations for classroom items

\$784 - Teacher Appreciation (furniture for updating teacher lounge)

Expected Expenses

\$4,000 - Harrisburg field trip (3rd & 4th grade)

\$2,000 - Philadelphia trip (5th grade)

\$1,500 - 5th grade party

\$600 - Trees for play ground

\$700 - Garden





Spring gardening has begun in the Corl Street Garden. All students will have the opportunity to prepare a garden bed and plant seeds or seedlings. By summer we will have a garden filled with lettuce, kale, snap peas, summer squash, pepper, tomatoes and more. Volunteers are needed all summer long to harvest, water and care for the garden. Have your student enjoy the veggies they planted this spring by signing up for a week of garden care! Look for the Corl St. Garden Sign-Up Genius in June. Thanks, The Corl Street Garden Committee

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On **Monday, June 8th**, students will be participating in Corl Street's fun-filled Field Day Bingo. Field Day Bingo is an event where students jump, throw, and run their way through stations, earning prizes (usually juice drinks and fruit snacks) and stamps on their bingo cards.

Children love this event for the chance to compete for prizes and treats! And, they depend on parents like you to volunteer time and donate prizes.

We will need your help, parents, to make this fun day a success. We will be looking for several parents to:

- **Volunteer** at the refreshment and prize tables and at sctivity stations in the morning for Kindergarten through 2nd grade (8:45-11:15) and afternoon for 3rd through 5th grade (12:00-2:30)
- **Donate** juice boxes, fruit snacks, and lunch for volunteers
- Lend canopies for shade

Please watch for an email this month with a link to a SignUp Genius. If you have any questions, please contact Kristy Witmer at kristywitmer@gmail.com.



The Corl Street Spring Spirit Sale is underway!

Order forms have been distributed, and orders with payment are due May 13! This is a FIRM deadline so that we can assure that all items are received and delivered in plenty of time for Field Day. The apparel that is for sale this year showcases the winning design by Mrs. Lee McGann (2nd Grade) from the Corl Street Employee T-Shirt Design Competition. The students voted on their favorite design to be put on t-shirts, tank tops, and shooter shirts available in 10 different colors. Additional order forms are available on the PTO website at www.scasd.org/Page/1490. Contact Rachel Unger at unger12@gmail.com with your questions.



It might only be May, but we are already planning for August!

Most Corl Street families have enjoyed the annual ice cream social. It provides an opportunity to reconnect with old friends, meet new ones, and talk to your child's teacher for the

upcoming year. This year's ice cream social will be the week of August 24.

The committee that has been in charge of the ice cream social for the past several years is composed of fifth grade parents. I will chair the committee next year but I need a few other parents to help plan and organize. I will also need several parents to scoop ice cream and help with set-up and clean-up on the day of the event. If you are interested in being on the committee or volunteering that evening, please contact me! Terrill Salter terrillsalter@gmail.com



Congratulations to our fifth graders who will be moving on to middle school next year

A party to celebrate the fun and friendships formed at Corl Street will be held for all fifth-grade students Wed June 3, 3:30-6:30 pm at the Tussey Mountain Fun Center

Activities will include go-kart rides batting cages and mini-golf and capture the flag Food and drinks will be served at the pavilion located next to the pond

Bus transportation will be provided from school but parents will need to pick up their student at 6:30 pm at Tussey Rain date: Thursday June 4

Information and permission slips will be sent home and a Sign-Up Genius link will be sent to fifth grade families for food donations and day-of-party volunteers

Corl Street Apparel

Recycle and Reuse!

Do you have 'old' Corl Street apparel that no longer fits you or your child? Perhaps the clothing will no longer be worn anymore because your child is entering middle school next year? If so, we would love to have you recycle and donate those old t-shirts, shorts, and sweatshirts back to the school. All recycled Corl Street apparel will be accepted, washed, sorted, and distributed to various areas of the school to be used - clean clothes for muddy recesses, sick children, accidents, and/or spills. In addition, we are hoping that they can be utilized as rewards and/ or incentives throughout the classrooms. If you have something you would like to donate, please deposit it in the Recycle/Reuse Box placed beside the lost and found box. Items will be collected now through the end of the school year. Please note, that we are limiting this recycle and reuse to Corl Street apparel only. Contact Rachel Unger runger12@gmail.com with any questions.

HAVE YOU HEARD?!

On behalf of our Corl Street community, members of the PTO distributed gift bags to our crossing guards and bus drivers. The crossing guards received a t-shirt, water bottle, magnet, thanks yous, and a personal note of thanks from Mr. Mato. A custom shirt was designed for the crossing guards by art teacher Nicole Packard



and distributed to the 'permanent' crossing guards. Substitute guards received traditional Corl Street t-shirts. The bus drivers received a gift bag with a water bottle, magnet, and a thank you from the Corl Street community.



SCASD's next Straight Talk Session for parents will be held May 19, 2015 at Mount Nittany Middle School. The topic will be Small Groups, Big Issues! For this session: free children's activities and childcare will be offered by YSB's Americorps staff. Please register children by contacting Ali Turley at aturley@ ccysb.com. (Registration is not necessary for adults.) Discussion topics will be Dating Violence, Effects of Grief on Child Behavior, Age Appropriate Behaviors and Consequences for Behaviors, and a LGBTQA Panel Q & A.

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