



PTA News

Jefferson Elementary

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Hello Jefferson Families~

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. We have so much to be thankful for! I am thankful for our great school, awesome principal - Mrs. Mannon and our dynamic teachers! I am thankful for all of you who do your part, whether big or small, to help make everything we do at Jefferson such a success!

Several of our Jefferson students put on a fabulous Talent Show last Monday! We had piano playing, singing, gymnastics and dancing. The students really shined! Thank you Lisa Hoggard for organizing the talent show and the Reflections contest. We have some very talented students at Jefferson!

Great things are happening in our library! Thank you Mrs. Gordon and Kathy Rice! Our library is in need of updated books and you can help. Parent's Night Out is this Friday, December 3 and they will be showing the Polar Express! The hours are from 5:30-8:00 and the cost is \$20 for the first child and \$10 for each additional child in the same family. All the money raised will go toward new books for the library. You can also help out by picking a book off the Library Giving Tree in the front hallway of school. You can give the money in honor or in memory of a loved one or friend. You can choose a book between November 30 and December 18.

December is a busy month with lots of things going on. Be sure to check out the calendar. I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and holiday season! Thank you for all your support of Jefferson!

Thank you,
Kristin Hodge
PTA President

2009 - 2010 Jefferson PTA Board

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Save the Date! Jefferson Jubilee is Friday, March 5, 2010 at 7pm at the Clinton Presidential Center. We need sponsors, auction items, volunteers, and guests! Backpack flyers and ticket information soon.! For more information, contact Melissa McCurdy, melmccurdy@sbcglobal.net or 664-4347.

You Made A Difference...

Thank you to Michael from Arkansas Linemarking Systems for his hard work and time and paint donation to finish the back playground.
Thank you to Ms. Finkbeiner for making a difference in so many children's lives.
Thank you Karyn Wortsmith for always being willing to help and for her time and artwork on the back playground.
Thank you to everyone who helped work on the grounds, including Greyson & Caroline Tackett, Bear Den—Pack 30, Isabel Chaidez, Talon Higgins, Amy & Claire Webre, Enzo Cordova-Page, Madison & Kate, Maria Barker, Morgan Glover, Troop 6109, Cameron Willis, Trey & Matthew Berry, Bailey Runkle, Lauren & Mitchell Berry, Alex Bullers, Boone Bryant, Harrison Pace, Cate & Rinn Hollingsworth, Chase Green, and Riley & Jack Foster.
And . . . thanks to all of you who contribute in ways I may not know about to make Jefferson a special place of our kids to learn!



Save Box Tops for Education!

The winner of the fall Boxtops contest was Ms. Hendrix's class! Congratulations! Her class will receive a class party in celebration of their efforts. Please continue saving boxtops, because there will be another contest in the spring!

Updated Bylaws

PTA Bylaws must be reviewed and updated every three years according to the guidelines on the Arkansas PTA. Updated bylaws with changes were presented at the November 19 Jefferson PTA Meeting. These bylaws are available in the PTA Mailbox in the Jefferson office for your review. The proposed bylaw update will be voted on at the January 28, 2010 PTA meeting. Questions? Contact Lisa Hope at lbhope@comcast.net or 663-5991.

Pickles & Popcorn Sale Dec. 11

The fifth grade classes are selling bags of popcorn and pickles for 50 cents each during lunch the second Friday of each month. The classes are raising funds to support their activities and offer a gift to Jefferson at the end of the year. So don't forget to slip 50 cents into your child's backpack Dec. 11!

Clip & Save Jefferson Calendar

Dec.	3	Chinese Acrobats
	4	Barnes & Noble Day-5th grade fundraising; Parent's Night Out (5:30-8:00)
	20	3rd Grade Musical Program (9 am & 6 pm)
	17	Classroom Holiday parties
	18	Sing Along/Pajama Day
	21	Winter Vacation Begins-No School