

CROMER PRIDE

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Principal's Corner

Dear parents, students and family members,

One of my school goals this year is to promote a positive school environment for students and staff. Some of the positives going on this year for students include wonderful wildcat tickets, student of the month lunch, perfect attendance awards, honor roll and principals list. Students have an opportunity to earn rewards throughout the year for academic and behavior excellence. October 7th is our first student of the month lunch; two students were nominated from each class to have lunch with me. Congratulations to those students, an invitation for lunch will go out on Thursday the 6th.

As the weather starts to change, we will alter our pick-up procedures for the safety of our students and staff. On bad weather days, all students who get picked up after school will wait under the awning for parents. We will scan the drop off area for parents and walk students to their cars to facilitate a swift and safe dismissal. I appreciate everyone's patience and ideas as we work through drop off and pick-up procedures. On a side note, there is overflow parking to the east of the soccer field; during the summer, the lot was graded and is available for use.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank PTO for their support with weekly prizes and our purchase of new recess equipment. At recess our students are jumping rope, playing with chalk, hula hoops, and new balls. Our first PTO meeting is Oct 6th at 6:00pm in the library, hope to see you there!

I look forward to talking with you soon!

Traci Elam-Gordon



Calendar of Events for Oct

Oct 4th— Sonic Night

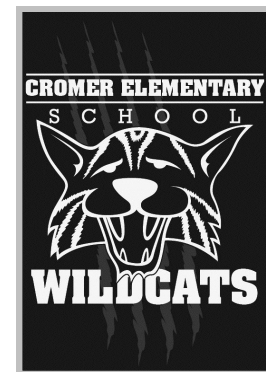
Oct 6th— PTO Meeting @ 6pm

Oct 12— Cookie Dough Delivery

Oct 13— McTeacher Night 6-8pm

Oct 14— End of Box Tops contest

Nov 5th— Craft Fair



Cromer Phone Numbers

Office	773-4150
Attendance	773-4159
Cafeteria	773-4156
Nurse	773-4152
FACTS	773-2169
Transportation	527-2300



Cookie Dough Delivery— Wed, Oct 12th

Pick up your order between 2 and 6:30pm in the Cromer gym. (Parents - please be ready to pick up your child's order on that day. It is perishable and we don't have refrigerated storage. Orders of 2 items or less can go home on the bus, but all other orders need to be picked up by car.) Volunteers are still needed to help unload the truck and sort the boxes. Please call 527-3980 if you would like to volunteer!



PTO Corner

Here is what is going on in October.....

Oct 4th - Sonic Night ~ eat at Sonic (on Butler) the first Tues of each month and Cromer gets a percentage of the sales!

Oct 6th - PTO meeting 6:00 pm. Come and get involved!

Oct 13th - McTeacher night!! (Some of the Cromer teachers will be your cashiers at McDonald's (Hwy 89 by Safeway) on Thursday night Oct 13th 6-8pm! Cromer gets a percentage of the sales. Kids, come see your teacher at McDonald's!)

Oct 14th - End of the box tops contest. (Keep sending them in! If you have more than will fit on the box tops sheets, just send them in a ziplock bag.)

Wildcat T-Shirts and Hoodies with the new logo are now available!

T-Shirts are \$10 and hoodies are \$19. See order form at the end of this newsletter.

Attendance

Parents please remember that it is important that your child is here every day. They miss valuable material when they are absent. If they need to be absent don't forget to call in and let the office know why your student is absent. In October we will be starting the ATTEND attendance program. You have received a letter from the school that explains this program. If your student has 5 or more unexcused absences you will receive a letter from the school. If your student continues to have unexcused absences you will receive a letter from the county attorney. If your student continues beyond that there will be a meeting scheduled with parents, school, and the county attorney to see how we can get the student to school.

Respect

The character trait for the month of October is Respect. Please talk with your student about what it means to be respectful. How will you know that your student is respectful? How will others be able to tell if your student is respectful? What behaviors show respect?



Social Health

Starting the week of October 17th 2nd graders will be receiving social health lessons from Mrs. Knott, the school counselor. The lessons run for five weeks. Mrs. Williams', Mrs. Toney's, and Mrs. Pajkos' lessons are on Mondays. Mrs. Friend's lessons are on Tuesdays and Mrs. Martin's lessons are on Wednesdays. There will be a parent meeting for all 2nd grade families on Monday October 10th at 6:00 in the Cromer library. The meeting will be to review the 2nd grade social health curriculum.

Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is a fun time for the students and as always, we want them to be safe in the activities they enjoy. Here are a few Halloween safety tips to consider...

- Treat your kids to a spooky meal prior to setting off to avoid snacking
- Choose a costume that is light, bright and flame resistant
- Masks should allow your child to see well and not hinder visibility
- Carry a flashlight
- Avoid taking shortcuts across backyards or alleys
- Props, such as knives and swords, should be soft and flexible as not to pose a hazard if fallen on
- Inspect your child's candy prior to eating
- Examine toys and such for small parts if you have younger children.



School Cents Program

Just a reminder to parents that the School Cents program is ongoing through December. This is a simple way to earn money for Cromer School. After shopping in the mall, take your receipts to the customer service desk and tell them to log the points with Cromer School. Very simple and it earns the school points towards earning as much as \$2,000 dollars!

Field Trips

Maben— 10/4 Museum of Northern Arizona



Bucci, Donnelly, Walker— 10/13 Freeman Farms: Plants and Animals on the Farm

Tegler, Hale— 10/25 Walking Field Trip to the Park: Pumpkin Patch

Ruge, VanO, McQueen— 10/13 Walking Field Trip: Old Cave's Crater Scavenger Hunt for Fall



El Dia de Los Muertos

Mrs. Wildermuth's class will be celebrating the Mexican holiday El Dia de Los Muertos (The Day of the Dead) at the end of October as they begin to study the Spanish and Mexican influences on Arizona history.

Family Fun

The Indian Education Support Program is having our annual Native American Fall Family Fun Night at DeMiguel Elementary School on Thursday, October 27th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. There will be a costume contest, spooky bingo, face painting and many more activities. If there are any questions please contact Shannon Taylor, Native American Advisor at 773-4120, Ext 2123.

Archaeologists for a Day

All fourth graders became archaeologists for a day at Elden Pueblo in September where they learned about the Sinagua people who lived around Flagstaff 800 years ago and experienced what archaeologists do to learn about cultures from the past.



Book Drive —November 1st- November 9th

Help support our community by donating gently used books! Please drop off your books to your classroom teacher. The class with the most books by Nov. 9th will win a pizza party. Books donated will be taken to the East Flagstaff Library for a family night and then taken to the Flagstaff Family Food Center for the literacy room.

Kids in Motion

Flagstaff Athletic Club invites Flagstaff Public Schools to get Kids in Motion during the month of October. Cromer students can pick up a guest pass at the office and visit the club for free during the moth of October.



On Display in the Library...

Mrs. Cibiks class is finishing up their "Southwest Native American" dioramas. They will be on display in the glass case as you walk into the library. Parents should stop by at their convenience and take a peek!

Did You Know.....?

Safeway has a Donation To Education program!

They will donate money to Cromer every time you shop at Safeway with your Safeway card. **No cost to you.**

Please sign up today for this valuable program! Cromer received almost **\$10,000** from this program last year!

It's free, It's simple, and It's powerful!!!

Fill out and return to your child's teacher:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Safeway card #: _____

(Not your phone number. It must be the number on the bottom of your Safeway card. There is no risk to sharing this information, the card number just tracks how much you spend at Safeway and donates a percentage to the school of your choice. You will not receive any mail or phone calls as a result. If you don't know your Safeway card number, please call 1 (877)723-3929 and they will tell you.)

Check out the program online at www.escrip.com

Sign up your friends and relatives too if they shop at Safeway (or Vons).

They can support your child's school, even from far away.



Order your 2011-2012 Wildcat clothing today using this form.

1. Fill out the form.
2. Indicate quantity of each item.
3. Order Form and Payment :
 - a. Bring it to the Cromer office or,
 - b. Send it with your child or,
 - c. Give it to a PTO board member.
4. Make checks payable to Cromer PTO.
5. Items will be sent home with child indicated on form after your order is processed by a PTO board member.

Student's Name _____ Teacher _____

T-Shirt \$10.00/ea

Youth: Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ XL _____

Adult: Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ XL _____ XXL _____

Hooded Sweatshirt \$19.00/ea

Youth: Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ XL _____

Adult: Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ XL _____

