

Kingswood Connections

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From the Principal's Desk



Dear Kingswood Families:

The 2009-2010 school year is well underway and students are learning and growing at Kingswood. After a summer filled with worry about budget cuts, we feel very fortunate to have as much support in our building as we have. I would like to personally invite you to volunteer your time whenever possible to our school. Here are some possible opportunities for volunteering: Helping with book shelving in the media center, reading to a class in the media center, helping in individual classrooms during center time, working one on one with a student who needs adult help, and working with small groups of students who are above grade level. These are just a few of the opportunities for volunteering. It takes a village to educate a child and we would like to work with you in our school to help all of our children.

Kingswood continues to be a Positive Behavior Support (PBS) school. What that means is that we consistently teach, model, and practice our behavioral expectations. We SWIM (Stay safe, Work hard, Is kind and respectful, and Manage our actions) every day. All students in pre-k through 5th grades understand these expectations and know that appropriate behavior is reinforced regularly. When in need, students are pre corrected, reminded, and redirected in order to maintain a focus on the expectations in every area of our building. We love being a PBS school and it shows as students make their way through the school day.

Thanks for directing questions and concerns to me and Mr. Case. We both feel that information directed in the right direction prevents unnecessary worrying on your part. So please call for an appointment or for consultation and together we can work on solving whatever is affecting your students.

As always, thanks for allowing us to serve your children.



TALK ABOUT EASY MONEY!!!!

Grab your scissors and get ready to help our school get some **EASY MONEY!** If you purchase any General Mills products, you can help our school by simply clipping the **BOX TOPS** and sending it in to your child's teacher. You may also bring them with you to drop off when you attend PTA meetings! Each BOX TOP is worth 10 cents, which doesn't sound like much, but it adds up quickly!! Last year alone, we earned \$586.64 in BOX TOPS alone!!

AND DONT FORGET the other easy ways to earn money

- Send in **Campbell's Soup Labels**- only the UPC portion is needed
- Send in Tyson Chicken **Labels**- each one is worth 24 cents!
- Link your Harris Teeter VIC card to our school (Code 3148) - Needs to be done each year!
- Link your **Kroger Plus Card** to Kingswood (at the service desk at the store)
- Link your Food Lion **MVP card** (at the service desk at the store) - Needs to be done each year!
- Designate Kingswood as your school on your Target **credit card**.

It only takes a few moments,
But can make a **BIG** difference!

Join the PTA and Show Your Support For Kingswood!

Have you joined the PTA yet? We have had a number of parents join at Back to School Night and Open House events, but we need you! You'll see a flyer in your child's weekly folder. When we receive your form and dues payment, we will give you a Kingswood car magnet (while they last) to show your pride in our school! Plus you will receive a coupon from Great Harvest Bread for a free loaf of bread. We will also use this information to include your child in the school directory. Contact Kim Shorb at kim@shorb.net with any questions about membership. PTA dues are \$5.75 for each individual.

This Just In!!

Our first **Family Fun Night** was held on Sept. 15th at **ANDY'S** in Cary. Students enjoyed a great time with their classmates and teachers. **ANDY'S** generously donated 15% of the day's proceeds back to Kingswood. If you missed it, join us at...

Cold Stone Creamery for our October **Family Fun Night!** **Tuesday, October 20, 6:00 - 8:00 pm** and get to know other Kingswood Families!

Save the DATE!!

- October 1-Fall Picture Day
- October 2-Fun Run Pep Rally
- October 13-PTA Meeting at 7:00 pm
- October 16-Fun Run
- October 20-Family Fun Night: Cold Stone Creamery
- October 21-Early Release Day (Dismiss at 1:15 pm)
- October 23-Fun Run Rain Date
- October 27-Math Night 6-8pm in the Lunch Room
- October 29-End of First Quarter
- October 30-No School - Teacher Work Day

Please note the December Music performance scheduled for December 8th has been **CHANGED** to December 9th. Please mark your calendars accordingly.



Spot Light!!

3rd ANNUAL FUN RUN

Our 3rd annual **FUN RUN** is October 16th. All classes will run/walk around the track for approximately 15 minutes. Students are encouraged to have family and friends sponsor them and make a donation to the school. There will be **prizes** awarded for donations ranging from \$2 to \$25 as well as prizes for the top three fund raisers. Check the website for information on the schedule of events. To **volunteer** for the FUN RUN, contact Charla McKinley at 380-1121

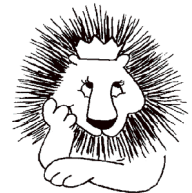
Playing at WiiiBounce And Support Kingswood!!

Kingswood Elementary School has now partnered with WiiiBounce in Cary for a **year long** fundraising event!!! When you go to WiiiBounce for open play, Monday - Thursday 10am-7pm and Friday or Holidays 10am-8pm, the school will receive a \$2.00 donation (25% of proceeds) with each student's full priced admission!! Each student just needs to give their name, the school name and his/her teacher's name when checking in. The class that raises the most money will win a **FREE** hour of play time for the whole class to celebrate! Unlike a lot of other fundraisers, they don't have to come on a certain day or time. By the way, parents are always **FREE** and can play along with the kids!! WiiiBounce will send a check to Kingswood 3 times a year. So lets go play and **BOUNCE!!!** Hope to see you there!!

THE MASCOT NEEDS A NAME!

The PTA is requesting that students come up with the name for our Kingswood Lion. The name should reflect creativeness and bring pride to Kingswood.

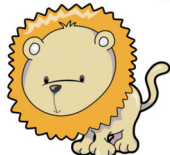
We will be accepting names until Friday, October 9. You must submit your mascot name pick along with your own name to the Main Office. On Friday, October 16 during the Fun Run, we will be announcing the winning name! Your choice may be our mascot's new and forever name! The winner of the "**Name our Mascot**" contest wins a 2009-2010 **KINGSWOOD T-Shirt**. Thanks for joining the contest and **GOOD LUCK!!**



Wear your Kingswood T-shirt And show your School Spirit!!

Don't worry if you don't have one, the PTA is still selling them! We have both short and long sleeved Kingswood T-shirts available in Red, Blue and Green!! Short sleeved shirts are just \$10 and the long sleeved shirts are \$12. Just look for the order form in your student's weekly folder!! You may send in the completed form with payment with your student or bring it with you to our next Kingswood PTA meeting on October 13th at 7:00pm in the Media Center!

Kingswood Elementary



Kingswood Student Directory

The Kingswood Directory is coming in November! Look for the Directory sign-up form in your child's weekly folder to be included in the directory, you **MUST** return the completed form to your child's teacher by **Tuesday, October 13** -- or better yet, bring it to the next PTA meeting on October 13th at 7:00pm in the Media Center.

Keeping Kingswood You Informed!

This copy of the Kingswood Connections is going to be our only mass copied news letter of the year. We plan to have it available on our website at the first of every month. If you would like a copy emailed to you, please let us know and make sure you include your email address on your PTA membership form. If you need a hard copy you may request one through your child's teacher.