



Vikings Voice

Watkins Mill Elementary School PTA Newsletter

October 2011 Issue

Dear Watkins Mill Families:

The PTA is having a membership contest until October 7, 2011. The class in each grade with the highest percentage of PTA memberships will win a Pizza party! Turn in your membership form with the \$7 per person or \$12 joint payment. Don't forget to put your child's name, grade and teacher to make sure your child's class gets credit in the Pizza contest!

This Tuesday, 10/4 is the next PTA Meeting and Reading Night. Please bring your children and come and enjoy some great books! On Tuesday, 11/1, there will be a PTA Meeting and presentation from school staff on Parent Involvement and Testing. Please put this meeting date on your calendar and plan to attend for this important information.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be taking place in the Media Center the week of October 24-28. Students will have a chance to browse the book fair with their class and create a wish list to bring home to parents and a purchasing date if you would like your child to purchase books from their wish list. Please consider volunteering to help Mrs. Rotella with the book fair.

Our Mixed Bags Fundraiser will begin on Thursday, October 27th. Montgomery County will begin charging a 5 cents per bag tax on January 1, 2012 when you get plastic or paper bags in stores. Take advantage of this great opportunity to support the school while getting great reusable bags!

Our Fall Dance will be on Friday, October 28th at 7 pm, come out for music, dancing and fun! We will have face painting and glow necklaces and bracelets for sale. While you are there stop into Family Fun Night at the Book Fair and buy some books to help support WMES!

Porsha Jones

WMES PTA President

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Important Dates

Tues. 10/4 – 6:45 pm - PTA Meeting and Reading Night

Thurs. 10/20—School Picture Day

Fri. 10/ 21—**No School**—MSTA Convention

Oct. 24-28—Scholastic Book Fair

Thurs. 10/27—Fri. 11/ 4—Mixed Bag Designs Fundraiser

Fri. 10/28 – Halloween Parade and Parties after lunch, **6:30 pm** – Family Fun Night at the Book Fair; **7 pm** - Fall Dance

Mon. 10/31—**No School** - Professional Day

Tues. 11/1 – 6:45 pm - PTA Meeting and Parent Involvement and Testing Information Night

Thur. 11/10 and Fri. 11/11—**1/2 days**, students dismissed at 12:30 pm for Parent Conferences

Tues. 11/8 – 4-10 pm - Ledo Pizza Fundraiser Night at MV Center Ledo Pizza

Friday, 11/18 – 7 pm - Movie Night

Wed., 11/23 - **1/2 day** students dismissed at 12:30 pm

Thur. 11/24 and Fri. 11/25—**No School Thanksgiving**

**WMES Spirit Wear Sale Extension - Orders will be accepted through Tuesday, October 4th!!!
Forms will be available for last chance ordering at the PTA table at Reading Night!**

TO THE BOOK FAIR AND BEYOND!
Reading Is Out of This World!

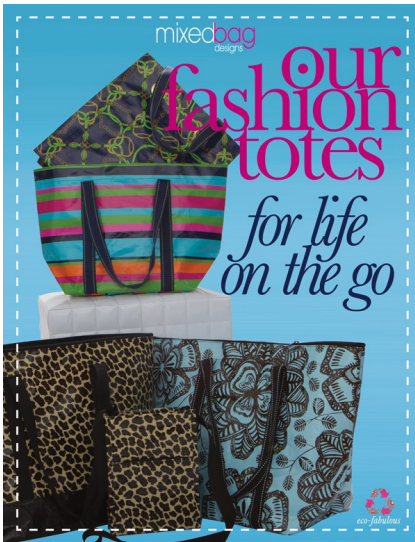
WMES Fall Book Fair
 October 24-28 in the Media Center




School Pictures:
October 20th

mixedbag designs

our fashion totes
for life on the go



mixedbag designs

Watkins Mill ES will be having a Mixed Bag Designs Fundraiser from October 27th—November 4th.

Beginning January 1, 2012, there will be a bag tax in Montgomery County of 5 cents per bag when you shop.

Take advantage of this great opportunity to support your child's school and get great reusable bags.

Bag tax info: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/bag>

Mixed Bag Designs: <http://www.mixedbagdesigns.com/>



Bring Your Bag!
Fight Litter





WMES Fall Dance

Friday, October 28th
from 7 to 9 pm



Family Fun Night
at the Book Fair
from 6:30-9 pm



Help WMES Earn Money while you Shop!



Go to: www.shopbloom.com

Click on "SAVE with Bloom" Click on "School Partnerships" And then click on "Get Started Now" You can click on "Guest Registration" and enter your Breeze Card number and our school code **WMES is #00969**

Log on to www.giantfood.com/aplus to register online *OR* Dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone. You must redesignate your school each year!



WMES is # 00824

Sign up with eScrip

- Go to www.escrip.com
- Click on Sign Up
- Enter Our Group ID

WMES # 6583895



When you shop at Target or Target.com, use your Target Visa or Target Red Card to raise funds for our school! We'll receive a percentage of the amount of each purchase in the form of a cash donation from Target through the Take Charge of Education program. It's easy! Just visit target.com/tcoe, or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate our school with the **Watkins Mill ES ID # 58208**. So if you're going to Target anyway, please consider using your Target Visa or Target Red Card. Big thanks to those who are already doing their part to make a great school even better. Don't forget to ask your extended family members, friends and neighbors to sign up and designate too!

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Step 1: Clip and save UPCs and beverage caps from participating products.

Step 2: Give the UPCs and beverage caps to your school's coordinator- when the whole school participates, the points really add up!

Step 3: Earn FREE Stuff for Your School! Your school can redeem Labels for Education points for FREE educational resources!



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Membership Form
2011-2012 School Year

Please Print

Membership Type (circle one and fill in #): # _____ Individual \$7 per member
_____ Joint \$12 for joint membership

Parent/Guardian's Name(s) _____

Contact #: _____ Email: _____

Child #1: _____ Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Child #2: _____ Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Child #3: _____ Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Child #4: _____ Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO WMES PTA

REGISTRACION DE NUEVO MIEMBRO

AÑO ESCOLAR 2011-2012

Por Favor Escribir en letras de Imprenta

Nuevo miembro (favor circule uno) # _____ individual \$7.00 por persona
_____ pareja \$12.00

Nombre del padre\representante: _____

Contacto #: _____ Email: _____

Niño #1: _____ Maestro: _____ Grado: _____

Niño #2: _____ Maestro: _____ Grado: _____

Niño #3: _____ Maestro: _____ Grado: _____

Niño #4: _____ Maestro: _____ Grado: _____

POR FAVOR HAGA SU CHEQUE A NOMBRE DE: WMES PTA, ASEGURESE DE PONER
LA CANTIDAD DE ACUERDO AL NUMERO DE MIEMBROS QUE REGISTRA.



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Querida familia Watkins Mill: Queridas Familias de Watkins Mill:

El PTA (Asociacion de Padres y Maestros) esta teniendo un concurso de membresia hasta el Viernes, 7 de Octubre, 2011. Una clase de cada grado con el porcentaje mas alto de miembros del PTA ganara una fiesta con PIZZA! Entregue su membresia con el pago de \$7 por persona individual o \$12 por pareja (padre y madre). No olvide poner el nombre de su hijo/hija, el grado y el nombre de el maestro para verificar los ganadores!

Este Martes, 4 de Octubre a partir de las 6:45pm tendremos la proxima junta del PTA y La Noche de Lectura. Asistan a la junta para que puedan ofreser sus ideas y obtener respuestas a sus preguntas. Por favor traiga sus niños para que puedan disfrutar de libros y lecturas! Habra traductor disponible.

El Martes, 1 de Noviembre, habra una junta del PTA y presentacion de parte de los maestros acerca de la participacion de los padres en el estudio y exámenes. Por favor tenga en cuenta esta fecha y planifique atender porque es muy importante. Habra traductor disponible.

La Feria de Libros de Scholastic sera en la Libreria la semana de el 24-28 de Octubre. Los estudiantes tendran la oportunidad de ver los libros disponibles y crear una lista de los que desearian comprar, para compartir con sus padres. La fecha hasta cuando puede entregar la orden de compra si es que desea comprar algunos libros de la lista que haga su hijo/hija sera enviado a casa. Por favor considere servir de voluntario para ayudar a la Sra. Rotella con la feria de libros, si esta interesado comuniquese con la escuela al 301-840-7181.

Nuestro recaudo de fondos "Mixed Bags" comensara el Jueves, 27 de Octubre. El condado de Montgomery empezara a cobrar 5 centavos por impuesto de bolsa a partir de el 1 de Enero, 2012 cuando use bolsas de plastico o papel en las tiendas. Esta es una buena oportunidad para ayudar a nuestra escuela a recaudar fondos y conseguir una bolsa reusable a la moda!

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Delegate - Volunteers Needed



Nuestro Baile de Otoño sera el Viernes, 28 de Octubre a las 7:00pm, venga por la musica, para bailar y divertirse. Tendremos pintadas de cara, collares y pulseras que brillan a la venta. Mientras estan ahi pasen por La Noche de Diversion Familiar en La Feria de los Libros y compre unos libros para ayudar a nuestra escuela WMES.

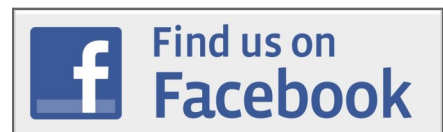
Sinceramente,

Porsha Jones

Presidenta del PTA de WMES

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