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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

It has come to my attention that some of our individual classes have compiled and distributed class directories to facilitate play dates and other classroom communications. Unfortunately, in at least one of those individual directories have included photographs of individual children, with identifying information. That is a violation of FERPA laws and cannot be done without the express written permission of every parent involved. I realize the intent was innocent, but the ramifications could be significant. If you received one of those class directories, please return it to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. While we appreciate the fact that you want to get to know all of the families in your child's classroom, you will have to rely on a more conservative method for doing so – the old fashioned way – interact face to face. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

The September 11th ten-year anniversary has just passed, reminding us not only of the loss of so many, but of the wonderful spirit that makes America the unique country it is. If you see a policeman, or a firefighter, please take a moment to thank them for their service. They help keep us safe day in and day out. And our wonderful military men and women who serve at home and in countries far away. We are grateful to them and appreciate their service. Our students will be writing cards and letters to express our appreciation and support. As an IB school, we recognize the value and responsibility we all have to positively impact our world, and supporting the people who devote their lives and careers to helping others is a wonderful way to do so.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sep 13 Spirit Night Chick-fil-A
 Sep 14 PTA Budget Meeting and "Digging Deeper"
 9:30 Main
 Sep 16 5th Grade Father and Friends 7:30 Main
 Sep 16 Family Move Night 6:15 Main
 Sep 20 Spirit Night Willy's
 Sep 22 Spirit Night Outback
 Sep 23 Fall Festival Fun Run designs due
 Sep 23 Patron Party
 Oct 7 Kindergarten Skate Night
 Oct 22 Fall Festival

PTA CORNER

Hello Jackson families! We hope that you all enjoyed your long, holiday weekend, and are now ready for all of the fun events that the fall brings; please be sure to watch the upcoming dates to ensure that you don't miss a thing.

The Primary BBQ and Open House was a huge success, and a great time was had by all. We are extremely grateful to **Dorothy Gatwood, Suzanne Hough and Meredith Odegard** for organizing such a fun evening, and to the Bonk family for providing us with such a delicious meal.

We would also like to thank the following chairs for being at the Back to School events and ensuring that we are ready for all that this year has to offer:

Annual Fund: **Angie and Chad Holmes, Celeste and Matt Hunt, and Dana and Obi Ugwonali**

Auction: **Heather Edmiston and Carolyn Wade**

Original Art Works: **Shawna Lassiter and Lynn Mahan**

Parent Participation: **Jodi Kiefer**

Spirit Wear: **Kristin Davis and Mary Jackson**

We hope that you all can join us for the PTA meeting on Wednesday, September 14 at 9:30am at Main Campus. We will be reviewing the budget (see attached) for this year and then we will be lead in a discussion entitled "Digging Deeper - Love and Logic". Please see below for more information.

We look forward to seeing you all out and about at all of our fun events. Have a great Jaguar week. *Kerri Griggs and Jamie Hubbard*

ANNUAL FUND: HAVE YOU CONTRIBUTED?

Almost There! Have You Contributed to the Annual Fund Yet? A big thank you to all Jackson families who have already contributed to the Annual Fund this year! We are 79% of the way there to meeting our goal of \$150,000! As a reminder, all Jackson families donating \$25 and above,

receive the WT Jackson school directory which is full of information (staff, committee chairs, calendar, class rooms and family contact information). We hope you will join the PTA and get yours as well as help Jackson continue to be the fabulous school we all enjoy. At the \$250 and above level, you will receive a heavy tote bag embroidered with the Jackson logo (a big thank you to John's Alterations and Monograms), directory and Annual Fund sticker. We hope you'll join in this opportunity to help fund all of the curriculum enrichment and capital improvements that enhance your child's public school education above and beyond what APS will provide. For easy giving, go to www.wtjackson.org and click the DONATE button at the bottom of the page. *Angie Holmes, Celeste Hunt and Dana Ugwonali*

PTA BUDGET FOR 2011-12

The annual PTA budget is attached, which will be submitted for approval at the September 14 PTA meeting to be held at 9:30 at main campus. Please contact us with any questions. Kristin Buhay (kbbuhay@comcast.net) Kerri Griggs (kerrigriggs@me.com) Jamie Hubbard (jamie_hubbard@comcast.net)

DIGGING DEEPER DISCUSSION

Please join us on Wednesday, September 14 at 9:30 at Main Campus, where we will be lead in a discussion addressing issues such as:

- Dealing with kids who talk back, whine, are rude, are mean to their siblings, or misbehave in public
- Competing with your child's electronics
- Handling allowance and chores
- Getting the respect you deserve from your kids
- Dealing with kids who struggle with bad grades
- How to get your kids to think
- Soothing sibling rivalry

We hope that you can join us for what will be an informative discussion.

5TH GRADE FATHER AND FRIENDS

5th Grade Father and Friends will be held on September 16, 2011 from 7:30 to 8:00am in the Fifth Grade Lobby.

AUCTION UPDATE

JACKSONWOOD is proud to announce that **Giovanni Di Palma and Antico Pizza** have agreed to become our Presenting Sponsor. We appreciate their very generous support of our biggest fundraiser!

Don't miss the fabulous Patron Party on September 23 at the beautiful home of **Claire and Jason Zintak**. The party will include a night of gourmet food, beer, wine and our own Hollywood signature cocktail. If you haven't already, please RSVP as a Patron or Premiere Patron at <http://wtjackson.ejoinme.org/jacksonwood> by September 15.

\$300 gets you two tickets to the party and the Auction. Or you can arrive in style at the auction in your own limo as a Premiere Patron which also includes two tickets to the auction and Patron party for just \$500. This not-to-be-missed event will fill up fast.

Please watch upcoming Pause issues for more details of about the Auction and we'll see you there!

CASH BACK FOR JACKSON

Help us help our school! Shop till you drop at some of your favorite retailers and your every day purchases will raise money for Jackson's PTA. The specifics are on the attached sheet.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

A warm THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the Primary Back to School Night and BBQ. A special thanks to all of the teachers and staff for inviting us into their classrooms, and to our donors, including **One Star Ranch** who brought us terrific BBQ, **Nancy G's** for fabulous desserts, and **Coca Cola** for bottled water. And of course, our greatest appreciation goes to the terrific volunteers who donated their time and helped make the event a great success.

SKATE NIGHTS ARE BACK

Due to popular demand, the Jackson skate nights are back again this year! Join your friends for a fun night of roller skating at the Peachtree Presbyterian Gym. Each grade will have their own skate night so please mark your calendars accordingly:

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| Kindergarten: | Friday, Oct. 7th | 6-7.30pm |
| 2nd Grade: | Friday, Nov. 4th | 6-7.30pm |
| 5th Grade: | Friday, Dec. 4th | 7.15-8.45pm |
| 4th Grade: | Friday, March 2nd | 6-7.30pm |
| 1st Grade: | Friday, April 13th | 6-7.30pm |
| 3rd Grade: | Friday, May 4th | 6-7.30pm |

Inline skates, helmets and protective gear will be provided, however you are encouraged to bring your own. Trainer skates are also available for first-timers as a fun and easy way to get started. The cost is \$5 per child.

We will need two volunteers for each night. Please contact Jane O'Malley at garrettandjane@comcast.net to volunteer or if you have questions.

AUCTION PARTY DONATIONS

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the auction? Why not donate a party! Parent Parties are a big part of our fundraising, so grab a friend, circle a date on the calendar and create your own event. At the auction, guests will sign up to attend your party for the price determined by you and our Parent Party Committee. Please use the attached form or go to http://www.wtjackson.org/forms/ParentParty_DonorForm2011.pdf. Completed forms should

be turned into the Main Campus front office (please send one of us an e-mail when something is turned in so we can follow up) by **October 21, 2011**. Questions?? Need party ideas?? Please contact Karen Roman (770-329-5146 or kromandoculaunch@gmail.com) or Merrimac Penman (404-808-2970 or mrpenman@comcast.net).

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Come join us for the annual Jackson Family Movie Night at the Main Campus, on Friday September 16th. This fabulous night of family fun will kick off at 6:15 p.m. when we start serving Peros Pizza. Weather permitting Pizza will be served outside at the track playground so kids can eat, run and play before moving into the Gym for a 7.30p.m. screening of RIO. Pizza should be ordered and paid for in advance by completing the order forms sent home in your child's book bag. Popcorn, candy and waters will be on sale during the Movie. So grab a blanket, chair or pillow and join your friends for a great night of family entertainment! All children must be accompanied by an adult....no drop-offs.

See you there! For more information contact Marci Richardson at marcirichardson@bellsouth.net or Clodagh Swennumson at clodagh@swennumson.com

FALL FESTIVAL - SAVE THE DATE

Jackson Students, we have taken the best of the Pumpkin Patch and Turkey Trot and combined them into one event this year – The Fall Festival!!! The Fall Festival will take place on October 22 from 9am to 1pm and it will include:

- A fun run for Kindergarten through 5th grade
- Pumpkin decorating
- Pony rides and petting zoo
- Lots of great food and other fun activities
- DJ Willy Wow!

As always with the fun run, we will have a T-shirt decorating contest! The theme will be about running, but this year we are opening the drawing up to anything for the Fall (not just Turkeys). A few things to keep in mind:

- You need to use a normal 8 ½ x 11 inch piece of plain white paper
- **Put your name and your teacher's name on the back of your drawing.**
- Please remember – only drawings created solely by our artistic Jackson students can be submitted.
- Be creative..... Think leaves, trees, pumpkins (yes, even Turkeys)....whatever your great minds think of when you think of the fall!

Look for the Fall Festival Fun Run box in each school's lobby. Place your completed artwork in these boxes by Friday, September 23, for a chance to have your artwork on the official Fall Festival Fun Run T-shirt. If you have any questions regarding this year's event,

please contact Paige Perdue paige@perduegroup.com or Ania McBreen aniamcbreen@comcast.net

SPIRIT NIGHT

Enjoy a break from the kitchen and help raise money for Jackson's PTA by taking the family out for dinner.

- Tuesday, September 13th from 5PM-7PM -- Chick-fil-A
Come join your friends at Chick-fil-A on Northside Parkway for a Spirit Night benefiting our school. 10% of the total sales will go to support Jackson.
- Tuesday, September 20th from 5PM – 8PM -- Willy's
Please join us for our first Jackson Spirit Night at Willy's on Roswell Road. 10% of the total sales will go to support Jackson.
- Thursday, September 22nd from 5PM-8PM -- Outback
At Outback on Roswell Road, simply tell your server you are a Jackson family, and each child gets a FREE kid's meal + a FREE Spotted Dog Sundae for dessert! (Limit 1 kids' meal per every adult meal purchased).

They support us, please support them!

Jaguar Pause Submissions

Submissions for the Jaguar Pause are due by 2:30 pm, Monday of the week of publication. ALL article submissions should be emailed to jaguarpause@yahoo.com. PLEASE be mindful of our deadline. There may be some occasions when we simply CAN-NOT accept your late entry. We appreciate your understanding and your ON TIME submissions.

Would you like to receive the Jaguar Pause by email? For parents, please go to www.wtjackson.org and click on "contact us" to subscribe. For grandparents, please send your email address jcooperga@aol.com.

Questions? Contact Douglas H. Duerr, Editor (404.582.8432 or duerr@elarbeethompson.com).

Next publication: September 23, 2011

**Warren T. Jackson
PTA Budget 2011-2012**

Revenue

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| Auction | 100,000 |
| Bingo | 1,000 |
| Bricks | 500 |
| Fall Art Show | 2,500 |
| Jamboree | 1,000 |
| Parent Participation Programs | 500 |
| PTA Annual Fund | 150,000 |
| Read-a-thon | 30,000 |
| Retail Receipts/Partners | 8,000 |
| Spirit Wear | 3,000 |
| | <u>296,500</u> |

Total Revenue

Expenses

School Support

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Art Supplement | 6,000 |
| Cultural Arts | 20,000 |
| Earmarked Projects* | 43,920 |
| Field Trips | 10,500 |
| French Week | 250 |
| Green Think | 1,000 |
| IB | 500 |
| Instructional Support/Supplies | 5,000 |
| Jackson Jottings | 2,000 |
| Media Center | 13,000 |
| Outdoor Classroom/Gardens | 500 |
| Music and Drama Support | 6,000 |
| Nursing Supplement | 500 |
| PE Equipment | 2,500 |
| Principal Fund | 4,000 |
| Robotics | 1,500 |
| Roots & Shoots | 100 |
| Science Center | 1,000 |
| Staff Development | 15,000 |
| Supplemental Staff | 50,000 |
| Teacher Allotments | 12,080 |
| Technology Support | 20,000 |
| | <u>215,350</u> |

Public Relations

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|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Celebration of Learning/Open House | 2,500 |
| Directory | 2,500 |
| Father & Friends Breakfast | 1,500 |
| Grandparents Day | 2,000 |
| Hospitality | 1,500 |
| Marketing | 4,000 |
| Partners for Education | 1,200 |
| Prospective Parents | 3,000 |
| Sunshine Fund | 700 |
| Teacher Appreciation | 7,000 |
| Volunteer Appreciation | 1,500 |
| Website Design & Maintenance | 4,000 |
| | <u>31,400</u> |

Building & Grounds

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| Building & Grounds Maintenance | 25,000 |
| Playground Equipment/Maint | 5,000 |
| | <u>30,000</u> |

Special Events

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Anatomy Fair | 250 |
| 5th Grade Promotion | 2,900 |
| Fall Festival | 2,500 |
| Wellness Events | 500 |
| Other | 600 |
| | <u>6,750</u> |

PTA Administration

| | |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Automated Calling System | 500 |
| Total Copier Expenses | 2,500 |
| General Operating | 7,000 |
| PTA Membership Dues | 1,500 |
| Service Charges / NSF | 1,500 |
| | <u>13,000</u> |

Total Expenses

296,500

* Earmarked projects represents funding of projects and supplements to both the physical appearance of the school and educational needs within our classrooms. It also funds maintenance projects at both the primary and main campuses for which APS does not provide.

CASH BACK REWARDS PROGRAMS FOR WT JACKSON



Publix Partners Program

Use your Publix card every time you buy groceries and Publix will donate .667% of your entire purchase back to Jackson. Publix cards are available thru the PTA and new cards will be distributed via school folders. Please share them with your family and friends and neighbors. They can be used at any Publix store in Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee. And, for those that shop at the Publix at Chastain Square, if you forget your card, just tell the Cashier you are with Jackson and ask that they use their card on file. Even though new cards are distributed at the beginning of school, last year's cards are still valid.



Target credit & debit cards

Target: Take Charge of Education® Reward your school.

We've discovered a terrific way to raise funds for our school. It's super-easy, and all you have to do is use your Target Credit Card®, Target Debit Card® or Target® Visa® Credit Card. We will receive a percentage of the amount of each purchase in the form of an annual check from Target through the Take Charge of Education® program.

To enroll in Target's Take Charge of Education®, just visit target.com/tcoe, or call 1-800-316-6142 and designate Jackson Elementary (I.D. # 42481) as the recipient school. Grandparents, alumni, friends and neighbors are all welcome to participate in the program. The more people we involve, the harder the program works for our school.



5% Back To Schools Program

Help our school earn FREE SUPPLIES! Our school will earn credits equal to 5% of your qualifying school or office supply purchases to use for FREE supplies. You can credit the school year round!

Give our Jackson School ID# 70024768 every time you shop at Office Depot:

- At any store in the U.S.
- At www.officedepot.com
- When calling 1-800-GO-DEPOT

For details, visit www.officedepot.com/5percent.

JACKSON FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH
MAIN CAMPUS
ENJOY PERO'S PIZZA
AND A FREE SCREENING OF THE MOVIE



“RIO”

PIZZA SERVED AT 6:15 P.M (ON THE PLAYGROUND)

MOVIE BEGINS AT 7:30P.M. (IN THE GYM)

CUT AND RETURN THE FORM BELOW TO PLACE YOUR PERO'S PIZZA ORDER

Warren T Jackson Student Oldest Name _____

Whole Pizza Orders

Number of Large CHEESE Pizzas (16") & 4 waters _____ x \$15.00= _____

Number of Large PEPPERONI Pizzas (16") & 4 waters _____ x \$15.00= _____

By The Slice Orders

Number of Cheese Slices _____ x \$2.00 = _____

Number of Pepperoni Slices _____ x \$2.00 = _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Checks made payable to Warren T. Jackson PTA

Please note "Movie Night" on the check

Please return via your child's bag by Tuesday September 13th. Questions? Contact Marci Richardson at marcirichardson@bellsouth.net or Clodagh Swennumson at clodagh@swennumson.com



WTJ JACKSONWOOD Auction Party Parties Date: November 11, 2011

Jackson Parents:

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the auction? Why not donate a party! Parent Parties are a big part of our fundraising, so grab a friend, circle a date on the calendar and create your own event. At the auction, guests will sign up to attend your party for the price determined by you and our Parent Party Committee.

Here are a few winning ideas:

Girls:

- Christmas Caroling/
Ornament Decorating/
Cookie Swap
- American Girl Doll Tea
- Valentine Party
- Skate Night
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Manicure & Milkshakes
- Cooking Party

Boys:

- Flag Football Game
- Swimming Party
- Airsoft
- Kickball Party
- Movie Night
- Video Game Olympics
- Rock Climbing
- Soccer Game
- Basketball Tournament

Adults:

- Mexican Fiesta Party
- Lemon Drops & Flip Flops
- Wine & Cheese Tasting
- Mom's Night Out
- Oscar Viewing Party
- Karaoke & Kegger
- Dinner & Drinks
- Lake/Beach Getaway
- Golf Outing

The number of participants will vary depending on the type of party. Most kid parties will range from 10 -15 kids. Adult parties will range from 20-50 individuals. Please try to schedule parties for 5th grade by the end of February 2012.

Attached is the **Parent Party Donor Form** that will need to be completed for each parent party. We ask that you limit the number of hosts/hostesses to 4 families. This form will be located on the Jackson website under the Jackson Auction link @ <http://www.wtjackson.org/auction>. Please send the form electronically to Merrimac Penman or Karen Roman (Emails listed below) or bring it to the front office of Jackson's main campus. Deadline for submission will be **Friday, October 21, 2011**.

We look forward to working with each of you!

Merrimac Penman
mrpenman@comcast.net
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WTJ JACKSONWOOD Auction

November 11, 2011

Parent Party Form

Please return a copy to:
 Warren T. Jackson Elementary School
 PTA Auction 2011
 1325 Mt. Paran Road, Atlanta, GA 30327
 Phone: 404.842.3100 Fax: 404.842.1177
 Tax ID#: 26-0181853

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the auction? Why not donate a party! Parent Parties are a big part of our fundraising, so grab a friend, circle a date on the calendar and create your own event. At the auction, guests will sign up to attend your party for the price determined by you and our Parent Party Committee.

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| Parent Party Hosts (up to four) | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. |
| Cell Phone Number: | | | | |
| E-mail Address: | | | | |
| Name of Party-(placed in Auction Program) | | | | |
| Description of Party- Include the grade (placed in Auction Program) | | | | |
| # of Participants: | | | | |
| Date of Party: | | | | |
| Time: | | | | |
| Address of Party: | | | | |

Donations are deductible for income tax purposes to the extent allowed by law. The Warren T. Jackson PTA does not place a value on your donation. That is a privilege and the responsibility of the donor. As the donor of the aforementioned item, I agree to provide the goods or services promised for the period of **one year following the date of the auction**, unless another expiration date is specified above. If for any reason the item I donate becomes unavailable after it is sold, I will reimburse the Jackson PTA for the sale amount. If a management company, owner's rep, or any other agent is involved, I will assist the buyer in making the necessary arrangements.

Donor Signature: (Required) _____ Date: _____