

Upcoming Events

- **PTO Meeting**
September 29, 6:30
- **Market Day Sale**
September 2 — 11
- **Scrip Sale**
August 18—27
- **Entertainment Book & Cookie Dough Sale**
August 19— September 7
- **Market Day & Scrip Pickup**
September 14 5:00-6:00
- **Roller Cave**
August 25, 6:30-8:30
- **Box Top Pick Up**
September 10, 6:30-8:30

YOUR PTO BOARD

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New Palestine Elementary PTO

Welcome Back NPE Families!

Welcome back to NPE to those of you already a part of our community, and a great big welcome and hello to those of you who are new to our school! I hope you all had a great summer and are ready to delve into a new school year with high hopes and expectations. We are lucky to have a fabulous group of Teachers and staff that are so dedicated to guiding our children through their elementary school experience.

When you add an equally hardworking PTO to the above, parents who are dedicated to doing the best

for our children, volunteering their time in the classrooms, maintaining our Website, printing our student directory, writing our newsletter, calendar, chaperoning field trips, maintaining our playground, Family Nights, Auction, Carnival, Mega Party, Book Fair, and much, much more, NPE becomes a great learning place (NPE is a top-notch school).

It is with these things in mind that I hope you will take a close look at the New Palestine Elementary School Directory and Calendar you will be receiving

with all the papers that will be coming home the first few weeks of school. Please take a moment and look at upcoming events and see what peaks your interest. Consider the important role the NPE Parent Teacher Organization plays in your child's life at school. There are so many ways that parents contribute, and by joining the PTO you can make a statement that you support the mission and activities of our organization.

Missy Ackerman
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Cookie Dough & Entertainment Books

The entertainment book and cookie dough sale will start on August 19th with a kickoff at 3:00pm. The goal is to raise money for the new playground equipment. The sale will end on September 8th and the top 2 sellers will win an iPod Touch or a DSI. We will also host a mega party again this year on September 24th. Students selling at least \$100 worth of items will receive a ticket to the

party. We're also giving parents the opportunity to simply make a cash donation as some have expressed a desire to skip the 'selling' altogether! A \$100 donation will also gain the student admittance to the party. We're hoping for high participation and a great fundraiser! For more information contact Kari Morwick



kmorwick@lmhcpa.com, or
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loriburks@sbcglobal.net.



Playground Update:

The NPE PTO is closing in on our goal of \$32,000 to purchase a new large piece of playground equipment.

Our goal would be to purchase the Evos, a large piece of playground equipment pictured below this fall 2011. All of the proceeds from the Cookie Dough & Entertainment Book Sale will go toward this purchase. If you would like to make a monetary donation to NPE PTO remember that it is completely tax de-



Fall Spirit Wear Sale

The fall apparel sale will kick off mid to late September. We are currently working with Heather Hill and her apparel company to come up with a great assortment of product. At BTS night we sold "Class of" t-shirts. The t-shirts sale was successful, so we will also be offering them during the fall sale. Stay tuned for more details coming soon!



Market Day kicks off this year with our first sale on Tuesday September 14 at 5:30! Sale dates for the first semester are as follows: September 14, October 12, November 9 and December 7. Pick up time will be at 5:30. Please note that all dates are on a Tuesday as our sale day/time has changed from last year. We are always looking for volunteers to help us sort and pack each order at every sale.

NPE Family Night

Chick-fil-A

NPE Family Spirit Night will be held at the Southport Road Chick-fil-A on Wednesday, September 22nd from 4-8pm. The promotion for this night will begin very soon in the Dragon Express and fliers will be going home with students. Really looking forward to this event as Chick-fil-A will donate 20% of the total sales we generate!

Snapperz

NPE Snapperz night will be on Friday, November 5th from 5-9pm and this will cost \$15 per child. NPE gets \$5 and your child will be able to enjoy unlimited access to our four-story soft play and four inflatable's, bumper cars, bungee trampoline, rock climbing, and bowling! It does not include laser tag, arcades, laser frenzy, and food. However, there are a lot of activities for everyone to enjoy! There is no admission cost for parents/chaperones; although, if they wanted to participate in the unlimited attractions, the price would be \$15 for them as well. Children under two are also free! Socks are required.

Thank you to all the parents that helped spruce up the playground, paint lines on the basketball courts and add a four square game. The improvement was astounding! Thanks for making a difference. Check out the web site for pictures.

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Box Top Update



Box Tops for Education, Tyson Tags, and Campbell's Point Labels will be collected and redeemed by the PTO again this year. The program will be run a lot like it was last year.

Teachers will receive collection bags and details by the end of August.

Our Collection Dates are:

September 10	January 21
October 15	February 18
November 19	March 18
December 16	April 28

Parties will be given for one class at each grade level as we've done in the past. Parties will include popcorn, ring pops, candy, and/or ice cream! At the end of the school year, a party will be given for the class that collected the most overall.

A wall display will be made for the cafeteria to track each teacher's room progress.

Kayann Klepper (kayannklepper@sbcglobal.net) and Angie Henry (a.g.henry@sbcglobal.net) are co-chairs for this year.

Roller Cave

*NPE Skate Night
August 25 from 6:30 to
8:30. All NPE families and
friends are welcome.*



Spirit Cups packets will be sent home on Wednesday September 29 with orders expected to be returned on Monday, October 18.

nPEPTO.com is a great tool for all parents

Parents, teachers and staff, please check out our New Palestine Elementary PTO website at www.npepto.com or from the PTO link (under the "Parents" tab) on our new school website at <http://npe.newpal.k12.in.us/> Please refresh your browser periodically to be sure you have the most current content available on the website.

We hope this NPE PTO site will help connect our parents and staff to resources and information to further enhance our children's educational experience. Items that can be found on the website include:

- Event Dates and Times (class parties, family nights like skating parties, Snapperz, That Fun Place, sale dates and pickup times etc.)
 - Fundraising partner website links and codes
 - Website links offering fun Educational Activities
 - Website links with classroom party planning tips and free printables
 - Link to volunteer, email communication to parents, teachers and staff at NPE and event organizer called the PTO Manager
- Please contact info@npepto.com if you have any questions and/or suggestions about items you'd like to see posted on the site.

As an extension of the online web experience, we are using a tool called "PTO Manager" that helps us communicate directly with families, teachers and staff at New Palestine Elementary about PTO related events and activities. Have you been receiving emails from NPE PTO ("New Palestine Elementary School PTO") in the last few weeks? (Please note: these are different from the emails coming from our Prin-

cipal, Mr. Kern from "NPE Parent Express") Here are examples of the emails that were sent out:

- July 28 – New Palestine Elementary Playground Painting Party!
- August 12 – NPE PTO – Volunteers for Tuesday, Aug. 17 at 12:30pm
- August 12 – Simpler Way to Register online for Student Directory and PTO Volunteer Interests

If you have NOT received these emails, please contact info@npepto.com and we'll help trouble-shoot what's happening. Here are a few reasons you may have not received these emails and potentially would not receive these communications in the future:

- Do we have your email address loaded on the PTO Manager (have you registered for the Student Directory and Volunteer Interests)?
- Was the email address typed correctly on the system?
- Could the emails be in your SPAM folder in your email program. If so, be sure to add this email address to your "Contacts" so emails are delivered to your Inbox:
admin.22929@ptomanager.com
- Could your email client have blocked emails from the PTO Manager? Try adding
admin.22929@ptomanager.com to your "Contacts"

Please contact info@npepto.com or call Jennifer Popp at 861-1731 if you have any questions, comments or concerns about the website or PTO Manager tool.