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President's Message by Karen Buitrago

Hi Colt family,

As this is the final newsletter of the school year, I just want to express my gratitude to the teachers, staff of McCall and the BEST PTA board and volunteers in Plano ISD! I hope you've enjoyed the programs and events sponsored by the PTA this year and we thank you for your support of this great organization. My tenure as president was a life changing experience, as I got an intimate look at the hard work and dedication our teachers and staff put into giving our students the very best education possible. Let's continue to "back the future" and work together to help all of our kids reach their highest potential!

Best regards,
Karen

We Need You!

Open positions: PTA is still in need of dedicated parents for the following board positions for 2015-2016. Please consider that most of our board works full-time or part-time and much of the work can be done from your home.

Officers:

- 3rd VP of Volunteers- Ensures there are volunteers at PTA sponsored events
- 5th VP of Communications- creates print newsletter and manages PTA Communications where needed

Chair lead:

- Historian/Photographer (for school events only)
- After- school program coordinator (coordinates after-school programs)
- Book Fair lead (Fall and Spring)
- Hospitality/staff (teacher appreciation events)
- Movie night coordinator (1 fall/1 spring)
- Council delegate- attends Plano Council PTA meetings (1 per month)
- Spirit Store- Sells spirit-wear at PTA events
- Social Dance - organizes the event with a committee

Please contact Kari Yeamans- news@mccallpta.org or Karen Buitrago: president@mccallpta.org for more information.

How to Reach the PTA

www.mccallpta.org

<https://www.facebook.com/MccallPTA>

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After School Program



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

Colt parents,

Do you enjoy working with youth in developing their leadership skills and character traits? Boy Scouts of America is in need of a Program Specialist for Pack 6601 right here at McCall (1st-5th grade)! The program specialist will be responsible for:

- leading weekly meetings at the school from 3:00-4:00 p.m.,
- Attend monthly program specialist meeting to train and gain knowledge regarding the Scouts program
- Manage and administer activities regarding the pack and communication with parents of the cub scouts.

The incentive pay is **\$125 per unit** (you can manage more than 1!) per MONTH and there is ample training and other resources to guide you.

Our boys are having a great time and we would love to see this great program continue at our school. Please contact Ron Settle, Regional Director: ron.settle@scouting.org for more information.

Field Day! We need YOU on Field Day - Friday, 05/15/2015!

It's that time of year again...time for one of the most anticipated events of the school year! The PE staff provides a fun-filled and exciting event for your child, but they still need your help to make it a success. Volunteers are needed throughout the day (see below). We can guarantee this will be a day full of memories that you and your child will never forget!



Sign up online at VolunteerSpot return to your child's teacher by **Friday, 05/15/2015** for more information! Questions? Contact Julie Walker at Julie.walker@pisd.edu or at 469-752-4563.

7:00 am – 8:45 am : Set Up 8:30 am – 11:00 am : 3-4-5 Activities 11:30 am – 2:00 pm : K-1-2 Activities

School Supply Sale!



Want some extra time this summer?
Avoid the back-to-school shopping rush and stop running from store to store!

McCall PTA is offering the EduKit Program as a convenient option for busy families to order school supply kits for the 2015-2016 school year. EduKits are custom made for our school and contain exactly what students need to start the year off right. We have negotiated a very reasonable pricing with EduKit this year. You will save money, time, and stress!!

Your child's EduKit will be in the classroom at the Meet the Teacher event. There are 2 simple ways to order:

- Online by June 5th, 2015: Go to the McCall EduKit link to order online through EduKit's secure website. Start at McCallpta.org
- Paper by May 22nd, 2015: Download and complete the order form found at McCallpta.org and return to the school with a check made payable to McCall PTA.

Reminder: Order kits for the grade your child(ren) will be entering in the 2015/2016 school year.

Questions? Contact schoolsupplies@mccallpta.org

McCall PTA Art Reflections Contest

The McCall PTA is a proud sponsor of the annual National PTA *Reflections* Program, and would like to encourage all McCall Colts to participate in next year's contest. This year's theme was "The World Would Be A Better Place If..." Congratulations to Irene Liu, Elise Nguyen, Emmy Nguyen, Jaden Wang, Rickie Wille, and Valery Williams for representing McCall Elementary at the PISD Council of PTAs awards ceremony! We would love to see even more students place at the district and even state level next year.

About PTA Reflections

The PTA believes all children deserve a quality arts education and encourages students to pursue artistic expression through participation in its annual arts Reflections Program. The Texas Reflections program has the most participation of any PTA program with entries totaling over 100,000 across the state. The program offers students the opportunity to create works of art for fun and recognition. Students in preschool through grade 12 are encouraged to create and submit works of art in six areas: literature, musical composition, photography, the visual arts, dance choreography, and film/video. In its 40+ year history, the program has encouraged millions of students across the nation and in American schools overseas to create works of art. Each year, the Reflections Program challenges students to create art that interprets a specific theme.



2015-2016 Theme

If you would like to get a head start on **next year's program**, the 2015-2016 theme is: **"Let Your Imagination Fly!"** *Happy Creating!*



End of Year Class Parties



Class Party General Information:

As we are winding down our party year I'd like to take a moment to thank all our grade level coordinators for a job well done this year! Ensuring our classroom parties are a success is big yet rewarding job! I'd also like to thank all the moms that were on our party planning teams this year!! Without you we couldn't have done it!! On behalf of our whole PTA I thank you!!!

In K-4 News: I'd like to give a shout out to 2 awesome ladies who have signed up to be coordinators for our 2015/16 school year. Our new Kinder Coordinator is Jennifer Pilcic and our new 2nd Grade Coordinator is Sara McDonald!! Please give these ladies a thank you the next time you see them! Our First Grade & Fifth Grade Coordinator positions are still available. All you Kinder and 4th grade parents out there... Let me know if you are interested. You will love it! It has been my pleasure to get to know these kids this year.

End of Year Party K-4: Get ready for a Rockin Luau!!!!

Have your kiddos bring their best Hawaiian outfits for the party! No donations will be needed. As always parents, you are welcome to join us. We do ask that if you are planning to attend that you let the front office know in advance. Also, we will not be doing a group End of Year gift for the teachers. If you need ideas for their gift please feel free to email me and I will provide you a copy of their favorite things (kellyhopper5@gmail.com). (The 5th grade coordinator will be sending out information separately.)

As your K-2 Overall coordinator I'd like to say thank you for allowing me the opportunity to get to know your children. I have really enjoyed my time with them this year! Thanks, Kelly Hopper

Spring Family Picnic Silent Auction

Dear McCall Colts,

McCall PTA is holding a silent auction fundraiser on May 29th during the Family Picnic. Please bring donations to help the PTA raise funds for field trips, educational programs, assemblies, classroom materials teacher appreciation and more! To donate, please send donations with child and the teacher will bring to the office. Parents can drop off donations to the front office as well. **Donations due May 25th.**

Suggested Donations:

Kindergarten: Artist – Making the world beautiful!

Crayons, coloring books, drawing pads, markers, craft supplies

First: Hungry Caterpillar – Food and Restaurants

Candy, popcorn, restaurant gift cards, cooking or baking supplies

Second: Let's Play!

Outside toys, goggles, pool toys, bubbles, sports supplies, balls

Third: Future Engineer – Building and Designing

Legos and other building toys, Lego store gift cards, Target or Walmart Gift cards

Fourth: Let's Hit the Books

Books, bookstore gift cards, magazines, puzzle books, journals

Fifth: Boredom Busters – Electronics and Games

Itunes gift cards, Ipod shuffles, board games, head phones, video games, google gift cards, movies



Thank you for your generous contributions to McCall PTA!

McCall Spring Family Picnic

Join us for the spring Family picnic
from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.
Bring a picnic blanket and take
part in the fun!

Kona Ice will be there as well as the
silent auction grade level baskets to
bid on some fun stuff for a great
cause!

More information to come, See you there!!



Membership News! by Kelly Hopper

Hi all! I would just like to take a quick second to introduce myself. My name is Kelly Hopper. I am your VP of Memberships for the 2015/16 school year. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you that I do not already know. I bit of my story... I have two children at McCall and one at home with me still. I have enjoyed my time on the PTA, and have met many good friends through the process.

I want you all to know that joining the PTA in no way signs you up volunteer. That is my message to you. My goal for next year is 100% participation! Am I setting the bar high? Why yes I am!! Joining the PTA is an EXCELLENT way to show support for your school and your community.

As you go online to order your school supplies for next year I encourage you to join the PTA at the same time. Two things checked off your list in one online experience. Yes, I'm here for you!!

Thanks and I look forward to seeing you soon!!
Kelly Hopper
Incoming- VP Memberships



Eco News

Helping the McCall family make a Difference one **GREEN** step at a time!



Tips for Greener Living

Do you have old electronics and household appliances around your house that are no longer in working order? If so, please consider recycling them at one of the United Electronic Recycling drop off locations listed below. Millions of tons of old electronics end up in landfills each year along with the toxic chemicals they contain which contaminate our soil and water. Do your part to keep these items out of the landfills by choosing to recycle and keep our earth clean and beautiful! Visit

<http://www.plano.gov/692/Electronics> for more info.

Electronics Recycling Drop Off Schedule

Location	Day	Time
First United Methodist Church 3160 E. Spring Creek Pkwy	1 st Saturday of Every Month	9AM to Noon
St. Andrew United Methodist Church 5801 W. Plano Pkwy	2 nd Saturday of Every Month	9AM to 11AM
Christ United Methodist Church 3101 Coit Rd	3 rd Saturday of Every Month	9AM to 11AM

Plastic Bag & Plastic Film Recycling

Check out <http://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/> for information on plastic bag and plastic film recycling drop off locations in our area. Plastic film is the covering used on products such as bottled water, paper towels, produce/newspaper/dry cleaning bags, plastic storage bags, etc. See the above website for a full list of accepted items and consider recycling this material instead of placing it in the trash.

We are working to increase the environmental initiatives at McCall and are looking for parents, students and staff that are interested in making McCall a Green campus. If you would like to be a part of this effort please contact the McCall PTA Environmental Chairperson, Jennifer Garvin, at environmental@mccallpta.org or 972-805-3006.