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Parties! Parties! Parties!

This year something new at Trivia...Parties! Parents, staff and PTO are sponsoring parties for students at the grade level and for adults. Party themes include sports, spa, craft/baking, Girls Night Out...**but you need to have your calendar handy on Trivia Night.** These party dates are SET and you don't want to miss out on the fun!


Thank you to everyone who has registered for the 3rd Annual Trivia Night and Silent Auction. The Committee has been hard at work to plan a special night. In addition to the actual trivia game, there will be many exciting silent and live auction items, so please bring your **wallet and your calendars** so you won't miss out on the following:

- Wonderful Getaways to Lake of the Ozarks and Branson
- An Autographed Sam Bradford Rams Jersey
- Nights at the Renaissance, Doubletree and Drury Hotels
- St. Louis Blues tickets
- A Blues Jersey signed by the team
- A Wine Refrigerator complete with wine (20 3/5W x 22 3/5 D x 32 1/2 H)
- Countertop wine coolers
- Landscaping and nursery certificates
- Jewelry
- A primo Parking Space for a year
- The opportunity to name the pickup/drop off lane for a year
- Tickets to Six Flags, The Botanical Gardens, The Magic House and The Symphony
- Restaurant Gift Certificates
- Parties for parents and kids
- Car detailing and services
- Personal Training and Club Memberships
- Chanel Sunglasses
- Three Piece Luggage Set

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!

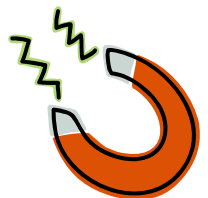


Please join us for another great Principal's Coffee!



Jenger Wollard will show us what "strings" is all about and we'll get a sneak peek at this year's Variety Show. We hope you'll join us on Thursday, February 10th at 9:30 - 11:00 AM in the library. RSVP to Charlotte Brown at browncharlotte@rockwood.k12.mo.us or 636-207-2548 by February 4th.

Volunteers Needed!



4th Grade Still Needs Volunteers for Science Day, February 4th

We still need 6 afternoon volunteers from 12:30 - 1:30

And 2 more morning volunteers from 9:00 am - Noon.

Contact Phoebe Owenby 636-778-0755 or powenby@aol.com





More Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in helping in the lunchroom
(not the kitchen)
contact Sara Robeson at 636-458-1535 or
serob23@msn.com
It's a good chance to see your child
during the school day!

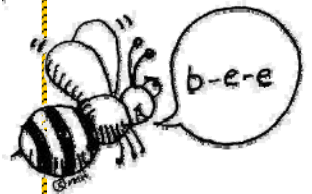
WANTED! YOUR OPINION

Your Ellisville PTO is considering alternatives to its traditional fundraising efforts but NEEDS YOUR INPUT! Please take just two minutes, before January 31, 2011, to read our thoughts behind this research & to provide your answers to just four (4) multiple choice questions by either printing the survey on the following pages or by clicking on this link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ellisvilleptoannualgivingcampaignsurvey>

Your participation is greatly needed and appreciated.
Ellisville PTO

Congratulations!

4th Grader, Amisha Paul
2011 Ellisville Elementary



Spellins Bee Champion



Thursday, January 27, 2011 is

ELLISVILLE

SPIRIT DAY



Show your colors!

Wear Ellisville Spirit wear

Or Green & White

ELLISVILLE
elementary

ELLISVILLE
TIGERS

Annual Giving Campaign Survey

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ THIS BRIEF PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT AND ANSWER FOUR BRIEF QUESTIONS.

As our Ellisville Elementary family grows and changes, it is important for us as parents to do the same. Your Ellisville PTO continues to focus on what makes your children's school the special place they know and love; an environment that separates itself from the rest of the pack!

In an economic climate that has caused cuts at the state, district, and school level, the PTO, now more than ever, plans to focus on maximizing your PTO dollar. The 2011 -2012 school year may be the year to change Ellisville PTO's fundraising "philosophy" to an Annual Giving Campaign (AGC). Many other Rockwood School PTOs have adopted this approach with great success.

An Annual Giving Campaign is a win/win....The benefits to Ellisville parents are plenty: no product sales burden, all donations are tax deductible, 100% of your donation goes to our school vs only 40% of your product sales dollars.

Finally, if an Annual Giving Campaign is adopted, please know Ellisville Elementary values all levels of participation. Let your voice be heard! We need your input by January 31, 2011...

*** 1. Did you participate in any of the following fundraisers this year (please check all that apply)?**

- Innisbrook Fall Fundraiser
- Entertainment Books
- TIGER (direct donation) Program
- None

*** 2. If Ellisville PTO converted from product & coupon book sales fundraising to an Annual Giving Campaign would you participate?**

- Yes
- No

*** 3. Knowing the PTO spends approximately \$50 per family annually on numerous school-wide and classroom events/activities, at what level are you comfortable making an annual donation?**

- \$0, I would not participate in this type of campaign
- less than \$25
- \$25-\$50
- greater than \$50

Annual Giving Campaign Survey

*** 4. If the level of participation in this fundraiser is not high enough to support the required budget, which events/PTO resources would you be willing to eliminate (please check all that apply):**

- I do not want to eliminate any - these things are what make Ellisville Elementary the place parents and students love
- Classroom Parties and Field Day
- Grade Level Educational Assemblies
- Fall Carnival
- Variety Show
- Trivia Night
- Donuts with Dad
- Ellisville Family Movie Night
- Lunch with the Principal
- Book and Breakfast
- Classroom and Teacher Supplies
- Interior and Exterior School Beautification
- Faculty and Staff Appreciation
- Principals' Coffees & Parent Education Sessions
- New Family Events



Everyone Is Invited To A Sweetheart Breakfast

Sponsored by Dads of Ellisville

Saturday February 12th

8:00am - 10:30am

Ellisville Cafeteria

Dads of Ellisville will be hosting a Sweetheart Breakfast featuring the famous Chris Cakes of St. Louis as seen on The Food Network

"Unwrapped" and "Guinness Fastest Foods Challenge"

This is an **ALL YOU CAN EAT** breakfast featuring the famous Chris Cakes pancakes, sausage, orange drink and coffee.

\$5.50/person in advance

\$6.00/person at the door

Kids 2 and under are FREE

Advance Payment Form

Return to the office by Monday February 7th

Name: _____

_____ X \$5.50 = \$ _____

Makes Checks Payable to
"Ellisville P.T.O."



ATTENTION VETERANS

YOU'RE INVITED TO READING WEEK CELEBRATIONS!!

Rockwood Reading Week is Monday – Friday, February 28 - March 4, 2011 and we love to have guest readers with connections to Ellisville students share good books in classroom visits. We would be especially thrilled to have some of the many wonderful Ellisville veterans make a return visit for a fun reading experience. If you are or know an interested veteran, please return the memo below giving us some information about your schedule preferences. It will be a fun time for all! Especially us!!!!

Name _____

Related Student _____

Classroom Teacher _____



I am available to read to students

Days

Times



Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grades are **NOT** available

Monday, February 28th 9:30 – 10:15 am Tuesday, March 1st 2:15 – 3:15 pm
Thursday March 3rd 10:00 – 10:15 am and 2:15 – 3:15 pm

Grades 4 & 5 are **NOT** available

Monday, February 28th 9:30 – 10:15 am Tuesday, March 1st 1:15 - 2:15 pm
Thursday March 3rd 10:00 – 10:15 am and 1:15 - 2:15 pm