



OTTER TALES

Creekside PTSA Newsletter
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Thank You For Supporting Your PTSA!!

Take A Look At What We've Done

We've Had An **Otteriffic** Year Thanks To Your Support!

PTSA

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Staff Grants

The PTSA awarded over \$10,000 in grants to Creekside teachers for classroom libraries, behavior management tools, writing centers, math enrichment, School of Toy workshop, Junior Achievement BizTown, yoga balls, conflict resolution tools, PE equipment, sensory closet materials, resources for ELL students, and literacy support.

Family Science Night

We sponsored our first annual Family Science Night where students participated in many fun and hands-on experiments.

Art Docents

Our wonderful art docents provided lessons on art history, elements of art, and art media.

Reflections

Creekside students participated in this national competition by creating artwork in the categories of Visual Arts, Photography, Music Composition, Literature and Dance Choreography.

12 Creekside students advanced to the district level competition and 3 students advanced to the state level.

Cartooning

PTSA fully funded this cartooning program which engages the students in writing and art.

Students learn basic cartooning skills, the concepts of theme and mood in storytelling and apply those techniques to their own stories.

The theme "Everyday Heroes" teaches kids how they are all heroes in everyday life.

Chess Club

Students played weekly and improved their Chess skills.

Toast Masters Club

3rd, 4th and 5th grade students improved their public speaking skills by organizing and giving speeches and impromptu talks.

Math Club

4th and 5th grade students participated in state-wide Math Olympiad.

Science To Go

To supplement Creekside's science curriculum the PTSA funded additional hands-on science lessons for all grades.

Drama 1st & 4th Grade

The PTSA funded literature-based early acting/performing classes that encourages confidence by building theater and life skills in a fun and supportive environment.

Eager Reader

We are keeping those reading levels up and prevent the summer slide with our summer reading program.

Cultural Fair

The students traveled and experienced 22 different cultures and watched performances in karate, yo-yo, and cultural dances.



Family Movie Night

Who doesn't love a community event with the Minions? So many families enjoyed a movie night with a pizza and fun treats.



Family Fun Nights

Halloween Bash



The entire Creekside community had a spooktacular time at this event featuring crafts, games, photo booths, balloons and glowing toys.

End Of Year BBQ

We celebrated an amazing year with a BBQ luau!



Talent Show

Our students are talented! Over 40 students showed off their talents in singing, dance, martial arts, yo-yo, piano, violin and guitar. Bravo!



Student Life & Parent Support

Parent Education

Informative presentations such as Healthy Mind Initiative, Understanding the Grade, Paper Tigers.

Bank Days

Students learned fiscal responsibility by banking at Creekside.

Popcorn Fridays

The students looked forward to this fun Friday treat!

Picture Days

Say cheese! We captured special moments of our students and their classes.

Book Fair

The students got so many fun books and the PTSA earned a record number of Scholastic book credits, which we gift to the Creekside library and teachers for new books. It's a win-win!

Otterwear

We showed off our school spirit in our Otterwear.

Lost & Found

SO many items were returned to the students. Remember to label your belongings!

Vision & Hearing Screening

Every student had their hearing and vision checked!

Staff Support

Library Assistants

Our wonderful parent volunteers helped the students every week during their class library time.

PTSA Room Parents

Our room parent volunteers supported our teachers and kept the information flowing for PTSA!

Staff Luncheons

Our fabulous volunteers prepared an amazing lunch spread for Creekside staff in August and May.

Classroom Support

We provided over \$10,000 to Creekside teachers and specialists to support their classrooms.

Staff Appreciation Events

We showed our love and appreciation for our amazing Creekside staff with yummy, monthly treats!

We Want To Hear From You

PTSA End-Of-Year Survey

We'd love to have every Creekside parent take a moment to assist us with planning how the PTSA can help support our school community next year. Please keep in mind that these survey questions ONLY pertain to PTSA related programs and activities.

[CLICK HERE](#)

The PTSA End-of-Year Survey is short and should take you less than 5 minutes to complete. You may choose to respond anonymously. The survey will be available until the last day of school, June 16th.

Thank You! in advance for taking a few moments of your time to help!

Be Sure To Stay Connected This Summer

Like Creekside PTSA on Facebook or Visit Our Website.

Have A Wonderful 

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks will be distributed and sent home on Monday June 13th. There will be limited extra copies available for purchase on June 15th starting at 9:00 am in front of the school. They will be sold on a first come first serve basis. The cost is \$20 per book, payable with cash or check to Creekside PTSA.

