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Creekside PTSA Newsletter
October 2017



Hawk-A-Thon FUNdraiser

Congratulations Creekside!!!

WOW, AND THANK YOU to the Creekside families, teachers, staff and community for supporting your school and PTSA!

All of you went ABOVE and BEYOND by raising \$119,118 in our first ever Hawk-A-Thon Fundraiser!

We cannot thank you enough for your support! Due to your generous donations, the PTSA is very excited to provide wonderful curriculum enrichment programs for ALL students at Creekside, including:

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| Kindergarten: | Science Toy Man Workshop |
| 1st Grade: | Literature Based Drama Program |
| 2nd Grade: | Science Toy Man Workshop |
| 3rd Grade: | Social Studies Toy Man Workshop |
| 4th Grade: | Literature Based Drama Program and
BizTown Field Trip |
| 5th Grade: | Literacy and Cartooning Program |

All Of These Programs Are Made Possible Through The Generous Donations Of Our Creekside Community.

To learn more about these and other PTSA programs, click [HERE](#).

(<http://creeksideptsa.ourschoolpages.com/Program>)

THANK YOU again for supporting your Creekside PTSA!



All grades will also get:

- Art Lessons By PTSA Art Docents
- Science To Go Lessons
- Family Fun Nights and Community Events
- Books for Classrooms and Creekside Library
- Teacher and Specialist Stipends
- Kindness Program & Assembly
- Family STEM Night
- Creekside Math Night
- Teacher and Staff Appreciation
- Assemblies
- Educational Aides
- After School Clubs
- Destination Imagination
- Reflections Art Competition
- Popcorn Friday and Bank Days
- Spirit Wear and Year Books



2017-2018
NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS®

WITHIN REACH

Reflections Art Competition

Creekside artists are invited to show us their creative skills and enter this year's Art Reflections Competition.

There are 6 categories:

- *Visual Art
- *Photography
- *Dance Choreography
- *Film Production
- *Music Compositions
- *Literature

so whether you like to write poems, or compose your own songs, or make up dance routines, or take cool photos, or draw and paint or make your own short films, there is something for everyone. This year's theme is Within Reach and Creekside will have 12 winners who will have the chance to go onto the school district competition and all the way to the national finals! Remember that interpreting the theme carries most points in judging do be sure to give it consideration when working on your entry. Entering is easy, pick up an entry form and category information sheet from the Reflections board outside the office, or print your own and check out the details on our website <http://creeksideptsa.ourschoolpages.com/Page/Pta/Reflections>.

Submit your entry to the office or to your teacher by Friday October 27th. Not sure where to start or the entry process seeming a little overwhelming??? No problem, contact Fiona O'Connor at fnwalsh@live.com with any questions. We can't wait to see what you all come up with!



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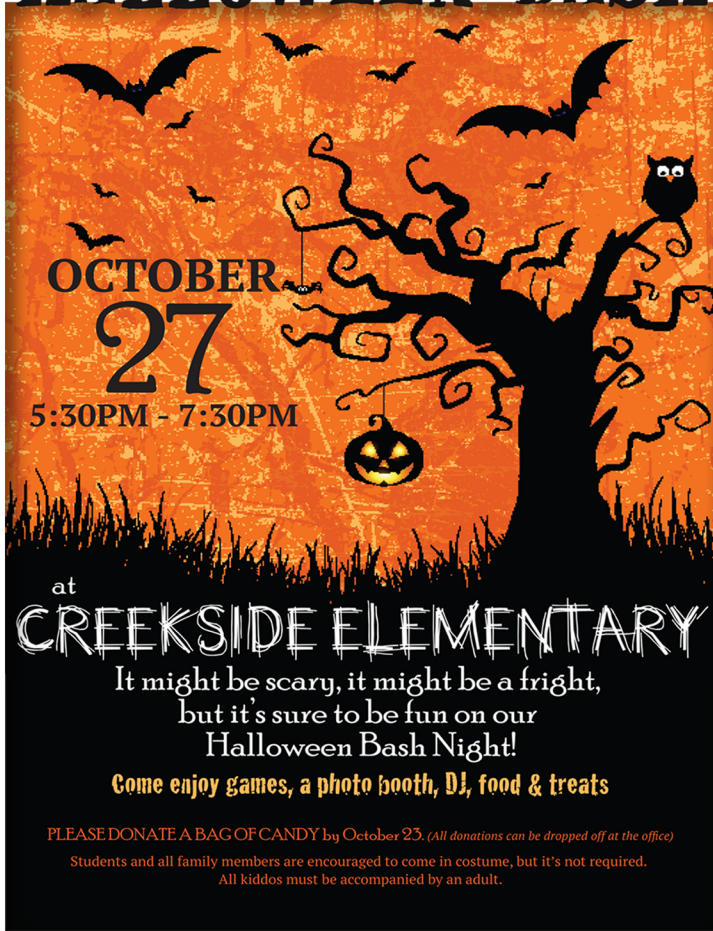
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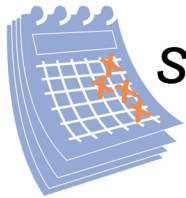
HALLOWEEN BASH



**Are you interested in
volunteering for the
Halloween Bash?**

**Please follow this link to sign
up:**

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040f4ea-da72fa13-creekside4>



Save the Dates

Oct 14- Art Docent Training

Oct 16- Photo Day

**Oct 27- Reflection entry Submission
Deadline**

Oct 27- Halloween Bash

**Nov 08- [ParentWiser Workshop](#), [iRules Help
Kids Manage Devices](#)**

Nov 14- [PTSA General Membership Meeting](#)



Destination ImagiNation® (DI) is an international problem solving competition for students. DI is an extracurricular program that fosters creativity and team-based problem solving incorporating STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math), the Arts, and Service Learning.

Each DI team participates in both a team challenge and instant challenge for the tournament in March 2018. For more details use the link to visit the

[PTSA DI webpage!](#)

Become a PTSA Member

Thanks for all the support. Our current 532 memberships have earned us Bronze and Silver awards from Washington State PTA! There are exciting membership benefits and discounts such as 30% off at Great Wolf Lodge and ticket discounts at Tacoma Dome and KeyArena/McCaw Hall. To see all the discounts visit:

<https://www.wastatepta.org/get-involved/member-benefits/>



Printed School Directories

Printed school directories will be heading into production soon and only families who have joined the PTSA will be eligible to purchase one (\$5).

Please double check that you have joined and ask your friends. Your membership support helps us fill in the education gaps and build an even stronger Creekside community. Last day to order printed directories: Wednesday, October 18, 2017.

ISF Dining for Kids

The next Issaquah Schools Foundation Dining for Kids will be on Wednesday, November 1 at Tanoor in Sammamish. 20% of all proceeds will go to the Foundation!

Dining
for kids



Chess Club- Chair Needed

Chess club students from Kindergarten to grade 5 with chess knowledge are invited to come practice their skills and improve their game. This is an 8 week program that runs right after school. We are still looking for a parent who loves Chess to chair this fun club.

The club will run before school 8-9:00am or after school 3:40-4:30pm. The meeting dates are flexible and can accommodate your schedule. Only very basic knowledge of chess is needed....the kids just like to go and play games against each other. All supplies and materials are provided. :)If you are interested, please contact Ghada Madkour at ghadahamdi7@yahoo.com.



Art Docent

Issaquah Art Docent District Training

When: Saturday, October 14th (9:00 am start but you come for a class or two or stay the whole day!)

Where: Briarwood Elementary

This is put on by the Issaquah Art Support team and is open to all Issaquah School District art docents. Come join for art lessons, art resources, networking with other schools and fun. You will learn about new mediums, make new friends and have a creative day. This training is hands on and a lot of fun! Please sign up for your classes soon (link below) as they fill up fast.

[Art Docent Conference 2017](#)