

GREETINGS FROM GREEN

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October Is PTA Membership Drive Month

We already have 87 families and 18 faculty/staff members that have joined. We are striving to get 100% participation.

Why join the GYR PTA?

* **#1 reason to join:** The PTA is a benefit to your child. It's proven that children do better when their parents are involved both at home and in school. Grades are higher. Test scores rise. Self-esteem grows and schools improve.

* **Voice Your Concerns:** Joining the PTA is an excellent way to assist your child's school and to have an active voice in their education process. PTA groups report directly to the principal to bring important information to their attention.

* **Stay Informed:** The parent group is often very involved at making sure that all parents stay informed on issues that are important to them.

* **GYR Wall of Fame:** You and your family's names are posted on the hallway wall in front of the cafeteria.

What does the GYR PTA do?

Graduation Parties, Teacher Talent Show, Greetings from Green, Annual Pool Party, Yearbook, Family Night, Cultural Arts, Book Fair, Spring Fling (Fall Festival), Super Kids Day just to name a few...

Join NOW and have your name entered to win a \$50.00 Visa gift card. The drawing will be held at the Nov. 3 meeting. Look for a membership form in your child's book bag. They are also available on the school website under PTA. If you have already joined, you are automatically entered to win. All memberships have been processed. If you haven't received your membership card, GYR car magnet or you don't see your name on the "Wall of Fame," then contact Donna Taylor at dtaylor1852@gmail.com or 919-607-5516.

Thank you for your support and good luck!

Drama Club Needs Volunteers

Mrs. Kimsey is looking for some help with a Drama Club task. She needs a few parents who could come after school one day in October or November for about 40 minutes to help her organize/label the bins of costumes and props that have been collected over the past few years. Your child could join you while you volunteer. Contact Mrs. Kimsey at: nkimsey@wcpss.net if you can help.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 21: Early release day at 11:55 a.m.
- October 23: PTA School Dance at 6:30 p.m.
- Nov. 3: PTA Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

GYR Student Leaders' Food Drive

GYR Student Leaders are sponsoring a food drive to support Wake Relief. Wake Relief helps families throughout our county. This program runs until Oct. 30 and you may donate any of the following items:

Canned goods: Tuna, chicken, corn, beans (of any kind), peas, canned vegetables, soup, fruit, spaghetti sauce, large cans of fruit juice.

Boxed goods: Crackers, macaroni and cheese, oatmeal, spaghetti noodles, grits, cereal, detergent.

Other: toilet paper, soap, one pound bags of sugar, peanut butter-18 oz.

Please bring your food items to school. Food drive collection boxes will be located in each grade level hall. The grade level with the most donations will receive a popcorn party. Thanks so much for your support in helping Wake County families!

PTA Implements Check Policy

Due to the large volume of checks that have been returned this year due to insufficient funds, the PTA Board is placing the following policy into effect as of Oct. 1, 2009:

- ◆ A \$20 fee for any check returned.
- ◆ If the check does not go through on the second attempt, checks will no longer be accepted from that party (only cash or money order will be accepted).

If you have questions or concerns about this policy, please contact your treasurer, Marianne Boettler, at marebear@nc.rr.com.

Safety Patrol Needs Umbrellas

Do you have any extra umbrellas in your home? The Safety Patrol needs umbrellas to help with carpool on those rainy days like we had recently. If you would be willing to donate an umbrella to the Safety Patrol, please bring it to the front office or send with your child marked "For Safety Patrol." Thank you so much for your help!

NC PTA Night at Canes Game

Carolina Hurricanes vs. Tampa Bay Lightning
Saturday, Nov. 21— 7 p.m.– RBC Center

The North Carolina PTA has teamed up with the Carolina Hurricanes to bring you a special opportunity! Purchase a deeply discounted ticket for the Saturday, Nov. 21st, Hurricanes vs. Lightning game and support the NC PTA. A portion of every ticket purchased through this special offer will benefit the NC PTA Parent Involvement Program.

To purchase tickets through this special opportunity, visit www.carolinahurricanes.com/ncpta.

Tickets can easily be purchased and printed via the comfort of your home/office computer by visiting the link above.

Merlin's Math Winners

Students did problems with rotary dial telephones and phone numbers. Merlin, Ms. Hatch's golden retriever, is very glad he doesn't have to use a rotary dial phone, but he loves the colors of the phones. Winners received an autographed picture from Merlin and a prize and appeared on Lily Pad Live.

Joshua Joyner	K/Tr.4/Hrbek
Brenner Spillis	1st/Tr. 4/Lewis
Zakia Lassiter	2nd/Tr. 3/Fanning
Jeremiah Bryant	3rd/Tr. 3/Rollinson
Michael Knott	4th/Tr. 4/Gridley
Nelson Okunlola	5th/Tr. 3/Gurkin

Class participation Award (More than half the class did Merlin's Math):

Joseph Stevens K/Tr.4/Kelley
(Joseph accepted the prize (a new jump rope) for his class.)

Reminder to Re-link Grocery Cards!

It is that time of year again, time to re-link your grocery store cards to Green Year-Round! Follow the instructions below to link up your Harris Teeter and Food Lion cards, and every time you shop at either store, they will automatically send us a percentage of your purchase! If you do not have internet access or just don't have time, feel free to email Stephanie Fife at stephfife@nc.rr.com and I can do it for you!

Harris Teeter:

1. Go to www.HarrisTeeter.com
2. Under "Community" heading, click on "Together In Education"
3. Click on "Link To Your School"
4. Follow the prompts. Our school code is: 2237
5. Promotion runs from Aug 1st - May 31st, you have to register yearly after Aug 1st.

Food Lion:

1. Go to www.FoodLion.com
2. On the left, click on "Food Lion Shop and Share"
3. Click on "Register MVP cards"
4. Follow Prompts. Our organization name is "Green Year Round Elementary"
5. Once you have registered, you never need to register again.

Target Visa Cardholders:

1. Go to www.Target.com/tcoe
- Click on "Enroll in Take charge of Education", and follow prompts.
Our school zip code is 27609 and school code is 80172.

Once you have registered, you never need to register again.

Food Lion is having a bonus box tops offer for the month of September!! If you buy 20 participating item you get **170 bonus box tops** at check-out. The following is a link to the bonus box tops in the area.

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/bonus/LocalOffers.aspx>
<http://www.foodlion.com/content/docs/BoxTops2009.pdf>

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING
ARTICLES
WEDNESDAY 5:00 PM

SUMIT ARICLES TO
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VISIT US ON THE WEB
[HTTP://GYR.WCPSS.NET](http://gyr.wcps.net)