



The Cardinal Communicator



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CREEKSIDE ELEMENTARY PTA

September 12, 2017

Greetings from our PTA President, Mrs. Elin Shearin

Hello, my name is Elin Shearin and this is my second year as PTA President. My family and I have been members of the Creekside family since 2012 and we have thoroughly enjoyed our time here. I am excited about the new school year and to have another year working with everyone to make Creekside a great place for our children. Our PTA prides itself on the fun events and fundraisers that we do every year to support our school. This could not be done without your continued support. If you are not able to volunteer for our different events, we still encourage you to join PTA. **Your membership alone helps support PTA, which in turn provides different technologies for the classrooms, provides support for our Encore classes and helps us sponsor many fun events, including Field Day and Spring Carnival.**

We have some new faces helping with PTA this year, which is very exciting for us! We encourage you to stop by our PTA bulletin board by the front office or add us as a friend on Facebook to learn about our board and committee members. The link to our Facebook is [facebook.com/CreeksideCardinalsPTA](https://www.facebook.com/CreeksideCardinalsPTA).

I look forward to meeting as many Creekside family members as I can at one or both of our Curriculum Nights/Ice Cream Socials. I know if we work together, we can provide our children with an amazing school year. Our PTA hopes that we can count on you to help us make that happen.

SAFETY FIRST

- Use designated parking spots. Do NOT leave your car unattended in the front or middle aisle of the parking lot.
- Use the front entrance of the building.
- Get a visitor pass from the main office for each visit.
- Have a Photo ID available when picking up your child.

Curriculum Night/Ice Cream Social

Thursday, September 14, 2017

6:30 p.m. for K - 2nd Grades

Thursday, September 21, 2017

6:30 p.m. for 3rd - 5th Grades



Please go directly to your child's classroom upon entering the building to learn about their curriculum.

Then students and parents will be dismissed to the cafeteria for a PTA general meeting and ice cream.



Meet your Creekside Teachers & PTA Board

Creekside PTA

Our PTA Board welcomes you to another new year at Creekside Elementary School. Our goal is to give our students the best opportunity to succeed this year. We can do that when parents and teachers work together for the children. We hope to keep you informed so that you can have an active role at Creekside. Money earned through fundraisers will be used to equip each classroom with technology and other supplies, as well as host events and show teacher appreciation throughout the year.

The best way to enhance your child's education is to be involved.

Please contact us to volunteer!

2017/2018 PTA Board

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We would love for you to join Creekside PTA this year. Joining PTA is very easy and available online this year at <https://creeksidecardinals.memberhub.com/dues>



A **NEW** coupon book, SaveAround®, will be sold this year by our Creekside Cardinals. Coupon books will still be \$25 and they are perfect gifts as these books can be ordered online for not only NC but out-of-state as well—coupons are designated for the area you live/shop/dine.

The fundraiser will be happening from September 5 through September 26 this year. Thanks for your support!

If you would like to purchase an Attraction Book, the coupon books previously sold, please email our PTA President.

UPDATED 2017/2018 SCHOOL DRESS CODE

- ❖ ANY solid color shirts with a collar with small manufacturer's logo or school-approved logo.
- ❖ Solid Khaki, Black, or Navy Bottoms (Jumpers, Pants, Capris, Shorts, Skorts, and Skirts) and Dresses
- ❖ Denim bottoms must be solid khaki, black, or navy (blue jeans are permitted) with NO holes or cuts.
- ❖ Dresses, shorts, skorts, skirts, and jumpers must be modest and of sufficient length. The length of these articles of clothing may not be above the student's fingertips when the student's arms are relaxed at his or her sides.
- ❖ Dresses must have a collar and sleeves.
- ❖ Footed tights may be worn under pants, capris, shorts, skorts, skirts, dresses, or jumpers
- ❖ Solid colored sweatshirts, sweaters, jackets, coats, hoodies, and vests, including lightweight fleece jackets, over school attire with small manufacturer's logo or school-approved logo.
- ❖ Hoodies and hooded jackets may not have the hood covering the head while in a school building.
- ❖ Creekside spirit wear* and school club wear can be worn every Friday as well as for special events.

*PTA will be selling Creekside logo t-shirts this year: short sleeve t-shirt = \$8 - \$12 or long sleeve t-shirt = \$12 - \$15.

You can email your PTA President if you are interested in purchasing any Creekside logo t-shirts throughout the year.



7:55 a.m. – 2:37 p.m.

- Students can enter the building beginning at 7:30 a.m.
- Instructional day begins at 7:55 a.m. Students entering the building after this time will be counted tardy. Adults, please park and walk all tardy students inside to be checked-in at the main office.
- Transportation changes must be given in WRITING.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 5 - 26	SaveAround® Fundraiser
Sept. 14	Ice Cream Social @ 6:30 p.m. (Curriculum Night & PTA Meeting for K – 2 nd grades)
Sept. 21	Ice Cream Social @ 6:30 p.m. (Curriculum Night & PTA Meeting for 3 rd – 5 th grades)
Sept. 19 - 29	Box Tops Competition
Sept. 19	Fall School Pictures – NO Dress Code (subject to change)
Sept. 26	Progress Reports Sent Home
Oct. 2 - 6	Scholastic Book Fair (Book Fair Family Night is Tuesday, October 3)
Oct. 10	Early Release Day @ 11:30 a.m.
Oct. 11	Teacher Workday – NO School
Oct. 24	Fall School Pictures Re-takes (subject to change)
October (TBA)	School Spirit Night @ Local Restaurant
Nov. 1 - 9	Creekside Honors Veterans
Nov. 7	Report Cards Sent Home
Nov. 9	Early Release Day @ 11:30 a.m.
Nov. 9	Parent/Teacher Conferences – 3 to 7 p.m.
Nov. 10	Veteran's Day Holiday – NO School
Nov. 22 - 24	Thanksgiving Holiday – NO School
Dec. 5	Progress Reports Sent Home
Dec. 7	Winter Music Program & PTA Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 20	Early Release Day @ 11:30 a.m.
Dec. 21 - Jan. 1	Winter Break – NO School

Counselor's Corner *Mrs. Jessica Garner*

Welcome back Creekside families! I am so excited to work with your children this year! As the school counselor, I focus on teaching character education, which helps ensure that students not only succeed academically, but in their personal and social lives as well. I also provide individual and group counseling and help with implementing academic and behavior interventions as needed. I am here to help students and families in any way I can! Please feel free to email me at garnerj@pitt.k12.nc.us or call me at 252-353-5253 if you need anything. I am looking forward to another amazing school year in #thebestnest.

Box Tops for Education

Clip Box Tops

Clip Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite General Mills products found throughout your grocery store. You are able to find Box Tops on all different products – baking & bakeware, cereal, food storage, frozen, household cleaning, meals & sides, paper products, produce, refrigerated & dairy, school & office supplies, snacks & juices, tableware, and waste bags. Each Box Top is usually worth 10 cents to our school.

Send Box Tops to School

Turn in your Box Tops to your child's teacher. Our first Box Tops Collection Drive begins September 19th! For this fall, we are doing a first place and runner up class in K-2 grades as well as 3-5 grades. The two first place classes will get a coupon for a FREE kids buffet from Pizza Inn and the two runner-up classes will get prizes for each child. Also, the top four classes will receive a certificate that their teacher can display in the classroom.

On top of all that, the top earning class at Creekside Elementary will be rewarded a \$25 gift card to Target so their teacher can buy needed classroom supplies.