

Dear Jacob Wismer Families,

This week is an exciting one! There is Walk & Bike to School Day, a PTO meeting, and of course Eagle Run on Friday. Read on for info on all these events and more! This issue of the PTO E-blast contains:

- PTO meeting (Oct. 1st)
- Walk & Bike to School Day (Oct. 2nd) & Walking School Bus
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- Library volunteers needed
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Please scroll down to find more information on each of these topics. If you have questions or comments, please check the [PTO website](#) and contact the appropriate board member. We're looking forward to working with you to make this year great for our students!

Sincerely,

Your Jacob Wismer PTO Board

PTO Meeting

There is a PTO meeting tomorrow, Oct. 1st, in the JW library. We welcome all parents to attend PTO meetings and share their concerns or suggestions!

Walk & Bike to School Day

National Walk & Bike Day to School is this Wednesday, October 2nd! Parents and students can meet Mr. V at Arbor Heights Playground and Mr. Arnold at NW Kyle Pl./NW Vance Dr., or create your own walking and biking routes. Walkers meet between 7:50 & 8:00, leaving at 8am. Bikers can leave a few minutes later (by 8:10).

NEW THIS YEAR! PTO WALKING SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM.

Every 1st Monday of the month, meet our volunteers to walk to school. Same path and meeting place and time as the Oct 2nd Walk & Bike to School Day. NO BIKE please. Mr. V and Mr. A will join us for the first two Walking School Bus events. The goal of this program is to help our Jacob community to get to know each other earlier in the year. So, don't be shy! Join us Oct. 7th for the Walking School Bus!

Eagle Run



We are less than 1 week away from Eagle Run 2019! In order to reach our goal of raising **over \$85,000** to fund important PTO programs for our kids, we need your help. Here's how:

1. Register Your Student(s):

If you have not yet registered your student(s) in PledgeStar, our online fundraising tool, please do so as soon as possible. Simply click on the link www.pledgestar.com/jacobwismer and use this platform to send emails to family and friends asking for their support of our fundraising efforts. You can also use the collection envelope that was sent home with students to

submit any donations received in the form of cash or checks made out to **Jacob Wismer PTO**. Remember, Eagle Run is our **ONLY** fundraising event of the school year and **100%** of the funds raised directly benefits every Jacob Wismer student!

2. Sign Up to Volunteer:

Volunteers are desperately needed for Run Day. Whether it's directing traffic along the track, pinning race bibs onto students, handing out Otter Pops, escorting students to their start areas safely or helping our PE substitute manage PE classes. Any amount of time you can offer will help make this day fun, safe and memorable for all. If you are background check approved, please [click here](#) to sign up. Please join in on the fun and sign up to volunteer today!

3. Submit Donations for Corporate Match When Possible

Corporate Matched Funds are a great way to **double donations** for our school. In 2018, over \$45,000 was raised through matching contributions. Some of the known companies with matching programs include Intel, Nike, Providence, Kaiser, Adidas and more. For more information, [click here](#). Please be sure to **print your corporate match receipt and include it in your students' collection envelope**. This will ensure they receive credit for the donation and helps them qualify for incentive prizes.

Important Information for Intel Employees:

Please be aware that Intel has recently changed the way they match donations by placing a quarterly cap on the amount of funds they direct to non-profit organizations like Jacob Wismer PTO. It is **NO LONGER guaranteed** that your donations will be matched. Therefore, in order to give yourself the greatest chance of securing your match, **please do not submit your request for match until October 1st, the start of Intel's 4th quarter.** Any requests before that have a greater risk that they will NOT be matched. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated. You can however still register your JW student(s) before Oct. 1 to PledgeStar where you can email friends and family to support their efforts.

Other Important Eagle Run News & Updates!

Progress:

This week, students showed their school spirit through our colorful Spirit Days. It was so special to see students and staff come together wearing various colors in support of each other. We also posted progress thermometers in each classroom and a school wide thermometer at the front entrance across from the office. Students were excited to see the Eagle Run team pass by to update their classroom thermometers and to see our school wide progress as well. We are thrilled to announce that thanks to all your help, we have officially reached 20% of our goal and will be adding another Eagle as we soar to beyond 100% of our fundraising goal!

Incentive Prizes:

Our Eagle Run incentive prize program has officially begun. This is our way of thanking students for their hard work and rewarding them for their efforts. This year, thanks to tons of incredible sponsors, we have secured more prize donations than ever before. This will ensure that EVERY Jacob Wismer student will win at least one prize! We've also added more opportunities for entire classes and grades to win. Click here to see our amazing list of incentives and prizes. Congratulations to Miss Amato's 2nd grade class who achieved 75% of their students registered in PledgeStar and won an Otter Pop Party. Every class can win just by registering in PledgeStar! Please, sign your student(s) up today at www.pledgestar.com/jacobwismer.

Other prizes that will be available in our Raffle include; Gift Cards to McMenamins, Franks Noodle House, QFC and Outback Steakhouse. We also have FREE passes to Wings & Waves Water Park, OMSI, OGA Parents Night Out, Top Golf, Pump It Up and Oaks Amusement Park. Free smoothies at Jamba Juice, bowling passes to SuperPlay and KingPins, T-Shirts courtesy of Amazon, hockey prizes courtesy of the National Hockey League (NHL), tickets to the Hillsboro Hops, Portland Timbers, Portland Thorns and Portland Winterhawks, and signed memorabilia from the Portland Winterhawks, Seattle Mariners, a 2020 FREE registration for Sunset Youth Lacrosse and so much more! Students must return their envelopes to classroom teachers the

week of October 14-18. **The last day to qualify for prizes is October 18th.**

Run Times & Class Colors:

These are the assigned run times by grade. Family & friends are welcome to come out and join in the fun by cheering their students on. All visitors **MUST** report to the Jacob Wismer tent on the lower track to sign in and receive your “Visitor” badge. If you are NOT background check approved, you will be required to cheer from the lower track near the parking lot behind the flag lines. Don’t worry, as the kids are running the full figure eight of the track this year, everyone will have a chance to see and cheer their children on!

1st Grade	8:45 - 9:25
3rd Grade	9:35 - 10:15
2nd Grade	10:25 - 11:05
Kindergarten	11:15 - 11:40
4th Grade	12:40 - 1:20
5th Grade	2:10 - 2:50

Please take note of your student’s class color. We ask that you please try to dress your students in their assigned color on Eagle Run Day!

Kindergarten		1 st Grade		2 nd Grade	
Gilchrist	BLUE	Alexander/Willis	GREEN	Amato	BLUE
Karim	ORANGE	Reid	PURPLE	Eggers	PURPLE
Sippel	PURPLE	Reimer	YELLOW	England	YELLOW
Vuksich	GREEN	Stewart	ORANGE	Sundahl	ORANGE
Arzen	YELLOW			Toevs	GREEN

3 rd Grade		4 th Grade		5 th Grade	
Dargen	ORANGE	Guevara	PURPLE	Bossert	PURPLE
Guilfoyle	GREEN	Hanson	GREEN	Brundidge	ORANGE
Johnston	YELLOW	Huelskamp	ORANGE	Elms	YELLOW

Kerrigan	PURPLE	Richardson	YELLOW	Getty	GREEN
Little	BLUE	Silver	BLUE	Scoggins	BLUE

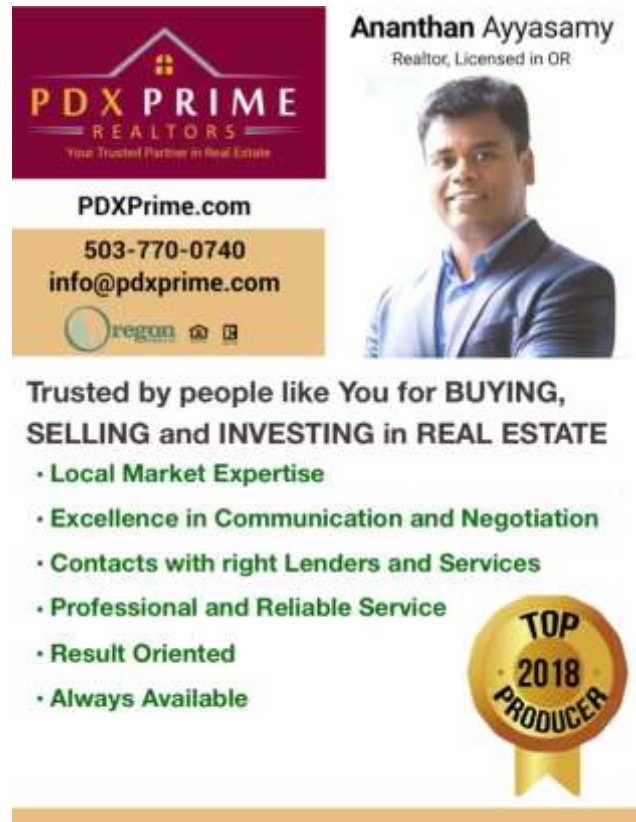
Eagle Run Staff Challenge!

On Friday, September 27th, our amazing JW staff – led by PE Teachers Mr. V and Mr. A - hit the track in an effort to challenge students and show their support of the Eagle Run. Special thanks to all teachers, administrators and support staff who came out to run, walk or simply stroll their way around the track. We appreciate you!!!



Sponsor Thank You!

Our Eagle Run Team would like to **THANK** our amazing Corporate Sponsor Ananthan Ayyasamy of [PDX Prime Realtors](http://pdxprime.com). We appreciate your unwavering support of our Jacob Wismer Community!



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TOP 2018 PRODUCER

Check out the Community Events section below for an exciting free workshop hosted by our sponsor, Sunset Youth Lacrosse!

Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB)

OBOB registration will open in October! There will be an informational meeting the week of Oct. 14th (date & time TBA) to answer all your questions about OBOB. Please see the OBOB site for more details and for updates: <http://www.jacobwismerpto.org/programs/oregon-battle-of-the-books-obob/>.

OBOB events require lots of parent volunteers—we need your help! We especially need a 4th grade OBOB chair. Without someone to fill this position, no 4th grade teams will be able to participate in battles. There's also a huge need for parent volunteers to conduct the OBOB battles before school! Contact OBOB chair Priya Mani at jacobwismerobob@gmail.com.

Picture Day

Picture Day is Wednesday, October 16th. If you are interested in volunteering, there are still a few spots available. Please sign up through the myvolunteer page. Thank you to our volunteers!

Fall Event



Mark your calendars for the Fall Event, Friday, Oct. 18th, 6-8 pm! We're planning an exciting icebreaker event with lots of games to help students and families get acquainted with new friends. Planned activities include dancing; face painting; carnival games, board games and icebreaker games for adults! Refreshments will be available for sale. Cash only!

We need volunteers to help run these activities and to do set up/break down, so if you're interested, please contact Alexandra Yau at vpcommunityevents@jacobwismerpto.org.

Directory orders

Directory orders are due by Friday, Oct. 25th! You can download the order form [here](#):

<http://www.jacobwismerpto.org/directory-order-from/>

Green Team

The Green Team's mission is to promote sustainability at school and in students' homes. Join us as we focus on a different area each month! October is **Save Energy** month! We encourage you to establish simple new habits such as turning out the lights when you leave a room, swapping out conventional lights for CFLs, and turning the thermostat down a few degrees in winter. Check out <http://www.jacobwismerpto.org/programs/green-team/> for more information and suggestions!

Thanks to all the families who participated in the first Sustainable Lunch/Snack Challenge! This challenge will be repeated every Friday of the school year. To participate, choose one of the following options. You can tell us which challenge you completed at <http://www.jacobwismerpto.org/programs/green-team/sustainable-lunch-challenge-form/>

1. Pack lunch (or snack) using no single-use packaging or utensils (no paper sacks, plastic bags, single-serve bags of anything, etc.)
2. Pack lunch (or snack) using locally sourced or minimally processed food items
3. Waste no food items at lunch or snack

Want to get involved with Green Team? Have a sustainability suggestion? Contact Shauna Rakshe at secretary@jacobwismerpto.org.

Passport Club

A special thanks to all volunteers that were able to help in our 1st passport check out. We truly appreciate your help.

Parents: remember study maps are on the webpage, kids have enough time to study for October !!

- Study maps: <http://www.jacobwismerpto.org/passport-club-study-test-maps/>

- Volunteers: We run this program thanks to your help, still we have groups with very few or no volunteers and it is very hard for us to have a successful checkout without help. We really invite you to volunteer so all grades and kids can be tested.
- Volunteer information: www.jacobwismerpto.org/wp-content/uploads/PASSPORT-VOLUNTER-INFO-PDF.pdf
- **October 21th -25th is Checkout Week**

Please let us know if you have any questions, Ana Pacheco scrafted@hotmail.com or Archana Nim archana.manish.jain@gmail.com.

Open activity chair positions

Do you enjoy all the programs and special events run by the PTO, and want to get involved? All of our PTO programs are run by hardworking parent volunteers. The parent in charge of each program is called the activity chair, and has wide authority for decisions involving their program. (Don't be intimidated—there are guidelines to follow, and you'll get lots of help from the PTO board and former chairs of the program.) We have an urgent need to fill a few open activity chair positions for 2019-20! This list has been updated since the previous newsletter. Current needs are:

SPRING DANCE - chooses theme, plans, and carries out a fun community event. Contact Cara Coates caracoates@hotmail.com or Cristina Lau cristinafrisco@gmail.com

BOOK FAIR - [Co-Chair needed] - plans and manages the annual Jacob Wismer Book Fair. Contact Valerie Ditchfield vditchfield@frontier.com

BEAVERTON CLOTHES CLOSET / LOST & FOUND - [Co-Chair needed] - sets up and takes down school Lost & Found 6 times per year and coordinates with Beaverton Clothes Closet for low income K-12 students. Contact Caryn Crosthwait caryn.crosthwait@gmail.com

OREGON BATTLE OF THE BOOKS - [Grade-level co-chairs needed for 4th and 5th grades] - coordinates volunteers to run each battle. Contact Priya Telang jacobwismerobob@gmail.com

SCIENCE FUN NIGHT - [Co-Chair/Shadow needed] - plans and carries out an opportunity for Jacob Wismer 3rd, 4th & 5th graders to demonstrate and test their knowledge of and passion for science in a fun competition jw.sci.fun@gmail.com.

Library volunteers needed

Our wonderful librarian does a great job of making sure every student has access to exciting books. But that means...there are a LOT of books to reshelve! There is a huge need for regular weekly volunteers to come and help shelve books in the library. If you're interested, please contact Jane Hoh at jane.hoh@gmail.com.

Lamination help needed

We need a volunteer to help with lamination duties. This would ideally be someone could come in once or maybe twice a week, for about an hour each time. Contact Valerie Ditchfield vditchfield@frontier.com

PTO treasurer needed next year; jobshadow this year

Want to help facilitate our exciting PTO programs? The PTO board is looking for a prospective Treasurer (job-shadow this year to learn the ropes, then join the board in June for a 2-year term)! The Treasurer handles PTO funds, keeps track of PTO revenue and spending and reconciles it with the budget, and works with an accountant to prepare the PTO tax return. No experience necessary, only enthusiasm and dedication --the year of job-shadowing will teach you all the skills you need! **Note: This is a 2-year position so you must have a child who'll be enrolled at JW for this year, plus 2 more.** Contact Cara Coates at caracoates@hotmail.com for more information.

Community Events

This is a new section of our newsletter that will showcase free local events! These events are not PTO sponsored and are included for informational purposes only. Want to submit information?

Contact Shauna Rakshe at secretary@jacobwismerpto.org.

Sunset Lacrosse is offering a free skills clinic for players with 0-2 years' experience (grades 1-8)! The clinic is 1 hr long and no equipment is required. It will be held Sunday, Oct. 6th at Indoor Goals. Register and see clinic start times at www.sunsetlacrosse.com!