



# Jefferson Journal

June 2011

## *PTO NEWS*

PTO Officers and Project Coordinators for 2011-2012 School Year.

President - Kami Canfield

Secretary - Heidi Fiechtner

Treasurer- Heather Engstrom

Special Events - Angela Sycks

Yearbook - Kari Keup

Recycling Projects - Susie Stroup

Jag Wear - Kari Keup & Heidi Fiechtner

Everyone is invited to participate to whatever extent possible.

### **Box-Top Project:**

-Please save throughout the summer

-Letter will be sent out with instructions on what and how to save the items

### **Fit For Life Trip to Wild Water West:**

-PTO will cover the cost of the trip for those who qualified

### **Jefferson PTO Scholarship:**

-Alex Ogren was the recipient of the \$250.00 scholarship

-Approximately 25-30 former students applied

### **PTO Dues for 2011-2012 School Year:**

-Dues were set at \$5.00/child or \$10.00/family

### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR:**

-Open House is August 23, 2011

-1st Day of School is August 25, 2011

-Homecoming is September 30, 2011

-Turkey Bingo is November 22, 2011

-Talent Show is March 26, 2012

-We thank all the parents and teachers who have helped out throughout the year and encourage all to consider participating again in the new school year!!

-Our next meeting will be in early August!!

-Have a fabulous summer!!

Sincerely, PTO

### Special Points of Interest:

☉ May 31st - Library Open 8 am - 2 pm

Library open on Tuesdays only.

☉ June 20th - Wild Water West

☉ August 23rd - Open House

☉ August 25th - First day of school

☉ 2011-2012 calendar is at:

<http://watertown.k12.sd.us/>

### **Jaguars!**

Remember to come to summer library on Tuesdays!

Be here between 8 am and 2 pm.

May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 28, July 5, 12



## **NURSES CORNER**

If you have any medicine at school for your child, please come to the school by June 2nd to pick it up. The medicine will be disposed of after that.

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# Principal's Corner

Dear Jaguar families,

It has been a great year! Enjoy your summer with your families.

If there are any families that are interested in having a tutor, please visit with your classroom teacher or myself. A couple staff members would be willing to tutor if needed.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Morrow

## DISTRICT CALENDAR 2011-2012

- August 19 - New Teacher In-service
- August 22-23 - Teacher In-service Days
- August 25 - First Day of Classes
- September 5 - Labor Day (No School)
- September 21 - 12:20 PM Dismissal Elementary, 12:30 PM MS and HS Dismissal (In-service)
- October 10 - Native America Day (No-School)
- October 26 - 12:20 PM Elementary Dismissal · November 11 - Veterans Day (No School)
- November 23 - Parent/Teacher Conference Comp and Vacation (No School)
- November 24-25 - Thanksgiving Vacation (No School)
- November 30 - 12:20 PM Elementary Dismissal, 12:30 PM MS and HS Dismissal (In-service)
- Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 - Christmas Vacation
- January 3 - District In-Service Day (No School)
- January 4 - School Resumes
- January 20 - 12:20 PM Elementary Dismissal, 12:30 PM MS and HS Dismissal (In-Service)
- February 17 - Vacation Day (No School)
- February 20 - President's Day (No School)
- March 14 - Parent/Teacher Comp day, Vacation Day (No School)
- March 15-16 - Spring Break (No School)
- March 28 - 12:20 PM Elementary Dismissal, 12:30 PM MS and HS Dismissal (In-service)
- April 6 - Good Friday (No School)
- April 9 - Easter Monday (No School)
- April 25 -12:20 PM Elementary Dismissal, 12:30 PM MS and HS Dismissal District (In-Service)
- May 23 - 12:20 PM Elementary Dismissal, 12:30 PM MS and HS Dismissal (Last Day of School)
- May 28 - Commencement (2:00 PM Arena)

If a make-up day is needed prior to January 31, school will be in session on February 17th. If a make-up day is needed from February 1-March 14, school will be in session on April 9th. If additional make-up days are needed, May 24th and 25th and additional days beyond that may be used.



### Summer Library

The purpose of summer library is to strengthen reading skills. Our culminating reward for those meeting their goal will be a pass to play miniature golf at Thunder Road.

The guidelines for summer library are as follows:

- \* Children may check out as many as four books per week.
- \* Children will be expected to use library manners. They may sit quietly and read, test on their books, or participate in the scheduled library activity.
- \* Parents do not have to accompany their child.
- \* Books are expected to be brought back on time. As in the regular school year, it is your responsibility to pay for damaged or lost books.

Patty Zemlicka

Librarian 882-6390



List-serve- If you get a new email address, you need to unsubscribe your old address first and then subscribe with the new one. <http://www.watertown.k12.sd.us/schools/elem/jefferson/index.htm>



## Summer Kidscope

Boys & Girls Club of Watertown

Our team is passionate about creating a fun and exciting educational experience for the children of our community to supplement their school year learning throughout the summer months. We offer a wide variety of activities focusing on Education, Life Skills, & Physical Wellness. Please visit our website at [www.bgcofwatertown.com](http://www.bgcofwatertown.com) to view our weekly activity plans, meal menus, and other helpful parent resources.

Services will begin May 26th until Friday, August 5, 2011. Our hours of operation are from 7:30am until 6:00pm Monday through Friday. We will be closed Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day. This summer we have field trips planned. On days we go on field trips we will be combining the two schools for the children that will not attend the field trips. They are as follows: Thursday, June 23rd Storybook Land (combine at Roosevelt), and Thursday, July 14th Children's Museum (combine at Jefferson).

Enrollment paperwork is available at the Boys and Girls Club of Watertown, and on our website at [www.bgcofwatertown.com](http://www.bgcofwatertown.com). If you have any questions regarding the Kidscope program, please contact us at (605) 886.6666.

Brittany Kurkowski  
Kidscope Coordinator

*Social Work Corner*

*by Sara Foust*

Your school social worker is here to provide support and connect parents with resources. For more information about these and other resources, please contact your child's school.

### **Boys Town Common Sense Parenting Classes**

A new session of classes will begin **Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**, from 5:30-7:30 at the Boys & Girls Club. Classes run for six consecutive Tuesdays. This is a great opportunity to learn strategies to help make parenting more enjoyable. Childcare will be available. Call Louis or Linda to register at 886-6666.

### **Summer Activities**

Watertown Parks & Rec has a broad variety of summer activities for children of all ages. Take some time to look through their brochure and consider having your child experience something new this summer. If finances are a concern, ICAP has a financial assistance program that provides \$20 for each child who qualifies. Brochures can be picked up at the Park & Rec Office. Sign-up early because programs fill up quickly!

### **Household Products**

Through donations and support from the Watertown community, we have household cleaning and personal care items such as laundry soap, toilet paper, deodorant, shampoo, etc to give to families who cannot afford them. If you need these items to help you get by, please contact your school social worker.

## THINGS TO SAVE OVER THE SUMMER

(And have friends & family save too! ☺)

\*\*\*WE WILL HAVE SOME CLASSROOM COLLECTION CONTESTS IN THE FALL, SO BE READY!!



1) **Box Tops For Education:** Can be found on an abundance of items you already purchase. Go to <http://www.boxtops4education.com> for a full product list if you would like to check it out. Just look for this little snippable logo, clip & save!

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**Campbell's Labels for Education:** These are on more than just soup!! They can be found on everything from popcorn to pencils!! Go to <http://www.labelsforeducation.com> for a full product list.



3) **LAND O'LAKES Milk Save Five For Schools:** Jefferson gets a nickel for every cap turned in!! (Please be sure caps are washed & dried when turned in—a little sour milk can get STINKY! ☺) Oh, & LAND O' LAKES orange juice lids work too!



4) **POP TABS:** Jefferson students collect pop tabs to help raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House, which is a wonderful organization that helps sick kids & their families. What an easy way to help a great cause!



5) **Ink Cartridges:** Any make, any model, just bring it in when you no longer have a use for it. We will recycle them!



6) **Cell Phones:** Have any old ones lying around? Bring them in & we will recycle them!