



Carlos Gilbert PTK News

A Great School is a Community Project!

September 8, 2016

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Rock with the Blackhawks at the Pet Parade! Saturday, September 10 8:30 am

We will be marching in the annual Pet Parade on Saturday 9/10, and our theme will be **“READING ROCKS!”**

All students (and parents) are encouraged to dress up as a favorite book character, and instead of passing out candy, we will be passing out used children's books.

If you'll be marching, please bring your unwanted used children's books with you to the parade. If you can't attend, please drop off your unwanted books in the collection bin at the school entrance.

Things to bring to the parade:

- Books!
- Wagons/handcarts for carrying books
- Costumes
- Signs saying **Carlos Gilbert Elementary** and **Reading Rocks!**
- Water and sunscreen
- Pets

Plan to meet at 8:30 am behind the New Mexico School for the Arts (227 East Alameda Street). See you there!

Halloween Carnival Saturday, October 29th

The CGE Halloween Carnival is the PTK's largest fundraiser of the year. With net proceeds of approximately **\$30,000** annually, it means we don't need to sell cookies, wrapping paper or chocolate bars later in the year. One big hurrah, and we're set!

We are accepting **business sponsorships** now. More information will be sent home in the Thursday Folder and posted on the PTK website detailing the benefits of becoming a 2016 Carnival Sponsor and how you can help.

The first Carnival planning meeting will be on Wednesday, 9/14 at 8:00 am in the Teachers' Lounge. If you can't attend the meeting but want to help, contact Cindy Forno at cindyf@carlosgilbertptk.com.

Help us spend our Budget Surplus

The PTK is seeking feedback from parents, teachers and students on how to spend its budget surplus. **Yes, we have extra money to spend, thanks to last year's fundraising and grant success!** One option being explored is to install artificial turf on a section of the playground to provide students with a safer place to play ball.

A suggestion box will be in the front office later until 9/26 for everyone to leave their ideas. You are also welcome to email suggestions to Cindy Forno at cindyf@carlosgilbertptk.com.

All suggestions will be discussed at the PTK meeting on 9/28.

Smile!

Fall picture day is Wednesday, **September 28th**. Students are allowed to dress up that day!

Stay in Touch!

In addition to this newsletter, we send a weekly e-blast filled with important school news.

To sign up, go to
CarloGilbertPTK.com!

2016-2017 Teachers/Staff (Continued)

Special Education/Gifted

Anna Olausson
Jenni St. Claire
Martin Pacheco
Anthony Cisneros (Assistant)
Marie Sisneros (Assistant)

Physical Education Kristy Filbin (M,T,W,F)

General Music/Band Kachina Walker

Art Katy Hees (M,T,W,F) Kate McCarthy (Th)

Library Frances Carreon

Literacy Coach Kate McCarthy

Speech Language Pathologist Heather Doerner

Occupational Therapist Judi Winnegar

Physical Therapist Siglinde Schwentzl

Social Worker Alicia Apodaca

School Counselor John Delamater (T, W)

Kitchen Griselda and Felicia

Custodians Martha, Reymundo & Vida

Chess Club

Chess club will start again on Friday, September 9.

Last year our club won the Northern Schools Chess League and took 2nd place in the state elementary school championship. Our students have also won two individual state titles as well as many other placements!

This fall we will meet every other week (September 9, 23; October 7, 21; November 4, 18; December 9).

HINT, HINT: If another volunteer parent joins Darcy and Mark, we can open Chess Club to every week!

Please sign up your child here:
<https://sites.google.com/site/childchesssantafe/school-chess-clubs-santa-fe/club-carlos-gilbert-elementary>

Mark your calendar for the Winter Music Concerts!

December 6, 6pm: 5th and 6th grade

December 7, 6pm: Bands and choirs

December 13, 6pm: 3rd and 4th grade

December 14, 6pm: Kinder, 1st, and 2nd grade

Important Dates

Saturday, September 10
Pet Parade, 8:30 am

Wednesday, September 14
Carnival Planning Meeting
Teachers' Lounge, 8:00 am

Wednesday, September 28
PTK Meeting
Teachers' Lounge, 8:00 am

Monday, October 10
Fall Break (School Closed)

Friday, October 21
Monday, October 24
Parent-Teacher Conferences
(School Closed)

Saturday, October 29
Halloween Carnival!

Grade Level Programs

The PTK will be sponsoring the following grade level enrichment programs during the 2016/2017 school year:

Kinder - Yoga with Yoga for Life

1st - Spanish Dance

2nd - Theater with Wendy Chapin

3rd - Adobe building with Joe Abeyta

4th - Dance with NDI-NM Outreach Program

5th - Wise Fool Circus Program

6th - Cooking with Kids at the Santa Fe School of Cooking

Parking Fundraisers

Indian Market

A **BIG** thank you to a few additional amazing volunteers that helped make the Indian Market parking fundraiser a success: Lynette Guevara, Caroline Yamashiro, and of course, Julie Murray for organizing the event.

Zozobra

We raised \$720 with our Zozobra parking fundraiser last week! **Big thanks** to Barbara Serna for coordinating, and to Barbie Segovia, Eva Montoya, Marcella Stark, Kari Keenan, Sara April and Philip Asproditas for volunteering their time.

Upcoming PTK Meetings

PTK meetings will be held the last Wednesday of the month at 8 am in the Teachers' Lounge. Please join us if you can!

Wednesday, September 28
Wednesday, October 26

We know not everyone is free that time of day, so you can stay up to speed by reading the meeting minutes at:
CarlosGilbertPTK.com/ptk/ptk-meetings