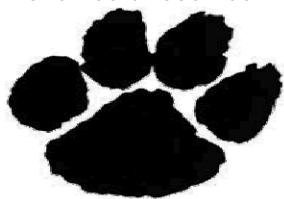


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President's Message

Dear Wiles Families,

Wishing you a very Happy Thanksgiving and a Happy Holiday Season! We have had a very busy Fall at Wiles. Thank you for all your support with the many activities that have been happening at the school.

Our Fall Festival and Square 1 Art fundraisers were a big hit! We reached our goals and that would not have been possible without you. We are so fortunate to have such great family support.

We will be starting the New Year off with Dr. Buys' annual State of the School address on January 19th. It is an informative night and we hope that you will be able to join us. Stay tuned for more information at the beginning of January about this event. It will be preceded by a PTA General meeting which all members are welcome to attend.

Enjoy your time with family and friends during the upcoming breaks. I am very thankful for everyone that helps to make our school such a special place.

Susan Farris, Kimball Wiles PTA President 352-335-6333

Ways to Help Your PTA

Become a Member for \$5

Participate in PTA Programs

Provide the PTA with a current email address for improved communication

Change your search engine to "GoodSearch" to donate money to your school

Record your Volunteer Hours

Upcoming Events

Thanksgiving Break
Nov 23-25th

Winter Break
Dec. 19th-Jan 2nd

**PTA Meeting &
State of the School
Address by Dr. Buys
Thursday, Jan. 19th**

Thank You!!!

Many thanks to everyone who helped make the 2011 Fall Festival a huge success!!! Our goal was to raise \$10,000 to be used to fund programs and committees, provide mini grants to teachers, and add new P.E. equipment. With the help of all of our wonderful Wildcat families, we met and exceeded our goal, raising \$10,700, with \$3000 of that being raised at the silent auction!!! Whether you sent in baked goods for the cake walk, bought items for the silent auction baskets, sent in donations, or purchased wrist bands and tickets, **EVERY single one of you made the Fall Festival a success!** Many thanks to all the parents and teachers who spent countless hours preparing and volunteering. You are appreciated more than you will ever know! Thank you from the bottom of a very grateful heart!

- Carolyn Hanner, Ways & Means / Fall Festival Chairperson

THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!! THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!



Please remember to clip your BOXTOPS. A new collection sheet is attached and can be turned in after the holidays

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Membership

Have you joined the Wiles PTA??

Last year we had 340 members and our goal for this year is 350. It is a small increase considering our much larger enrollment; however we still need 67 members to reach our goal. If you haven't yet joined the PTA, please join now and be a part of the largest parent advocacy group in the nation.

Membership must be renewed every year for \$5. What is stopping you from joining this year? Please feel free to contact Christi Wallat, Membership Chair at gwallat@cox.net to discuss questions or concerns.

PTA membership offers many EXCELLENT benefits from great sponsors like Target, Hertz, Sharp, OfficeMax, MetLife & discounted tickets to LEGOLAND!!!

To review or access any of these or other offers, please visit the Florida PTA website at www.pta.org/benefits.

Volunteers

Thank you to everyone that continues to give so generously of their time at Wiles to assist the Teachers and Staff. Did you know that the Volunteers helped to screen the entire school for vision and hearing on the Health Screening Day? It was only possible with parents like you! We also would like to thank the middle school, high school and college students that volunteer. Together all the hours make a difference. Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to know when and how you can help.

Thank you, Judy Bowman, Volunteer Chair 352-214-7996

Yearbooks!

Attention 5th Graders!

The memory page reservations for the 2011-2012 yearbooks are due by December 16th.

Pages do not need to be paid for until February 15th, however, there needs to be a reservation made by Dec. 16th to hold a spot in the yearbook.

Questions??

Please contact Becky Lancer 352-682-0515 or email: lancer.becky@gmail.com

The Kimball Wiles Elementary School PTA publishes The Wildcat Paw Print Press for all Wiles families and is scheduled for distribution each month.

Wiles PTA

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**KIMBALL WILES
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Notice to Amend the Budget

November 16, 2011

This is a formal notice to amend the budget as previously voted on by the Wiles PTA General membership on 8/31/11.

We need to amend the budget to account for the Art Fundraiser expense. This does not change the current budget. It should be noted that the expenses are being paid for by the people who are placing the orders for the Square 1 art products.

The revenue for the Art fundraiser will be increased to \$7000 and the expense will be increase to \$4500. This is a difference of \$2500 which was the original amount of revenue accounted for. This is not an additional PTA expense. This is for accounting purposes only.

A ballot vote will be taken to approve the budget changes as proposed. The ballots will be sent home in December and are due back at the school by December 16th.

Thank You,
The Wiles PTA Executive Board