

# FRIDAY FLASH

Wexford Elementary School

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## Emergency Contact Reminders

As we approach the winter months, please review your child(ren)'s emergency contact information in Sapphire. In case of inclement weather or other emergencies, the district will issue an automated telephone call, text message and email. Please ensure boxes for Voice and SMS are checked in Sapphire to ensure that you receive phone calls and text messages. Questions about Sapphire should be directed to [communityportal@pinerichland.org](mailto:communityportal@pinerichland.org).



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## Halloween Party and Parade Details

In an effort to provide students with a memorable experience for Halloween and fall celebrations, we have designed a safe way to allow students and their classmates to enjoy both a parade and classroom party activities. Please read the following plans and guidelines for **Tuesday, October 31**.



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## Read to Feed: TurKEY Dates

- **Wednesday, November 1** - Read to Feed kickoff. Students should start filling out their reading log each day and securing sponsors!
- **Sunday, November 12** - Last day to fill out your reading log!
- **Monday, November 13** - Reading logs,

sponsorship forms, and donations are due.

- **Friday, November 17** - Read to Feed Results check presentation

After the **November 1** kick-off, your student will bring home a reading log and sponsorship form. An online copy can be found here. Also, don't forget to decorate your feather by **Monday, October 30!** A printable feather can be found by following the link below.

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## Picture Retake Day

Picture Retake day is **Tuesday, November 7**. If your child was absent from school on Picture Day on September 28, or if you would like your child's picture retaken, Lifetouch School Photography will be at school on November 7. For more information, visit [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com) and use Picture Retake Day ID EVTXCWHP8. Orders placed online will be shipped directly to your home.

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## School Store Vouchers on Sale Now!

School Store Vouchers make a great treat for Halloween! Get your vouchers ordered now and you will have them in time to use for Halloween Parties. The next school store will be held on **Wednesday, November 8th** during lunches for Grades 1-3.

To order log into your Membership Toolkit Account, go to My Account and Click on the Link to Forms.

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## Urban Air Fundraiser

Jump in on the fun! **Thursday, November 2** is a Virtual Practice Half Day. Once done with school come get some jumps and energy out at Urban Air from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Wexford PTO will receive 20% of proceeds and the first hour of jump time will be open only to Wexford Families!

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## Leftover Halloween Collection

Wexford Elementary PTO will be collecting leftover Halloween candy for the Ronald McDonald House and the staff lounge. Donation bins will be located outside of the office and next to the bus entrance. Candy can be donated from **Wednesday November 1 - Tuesday, November 7**. Thank you!



## Wexford R.O.C.K.S. Program

Wexford R.O.C.K.S. (Reaching Out to Communities with Kindness) is a school wide outreach program that benefits people and organizations within the Pittsburgh community. In November, we will be helping the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Pittsburgh. If you would like to sign up to help, please use the link below. For those who are not able to help, we will offer another Wexford R.O.C.K.S. in the Spring!



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## Morning Fit Club

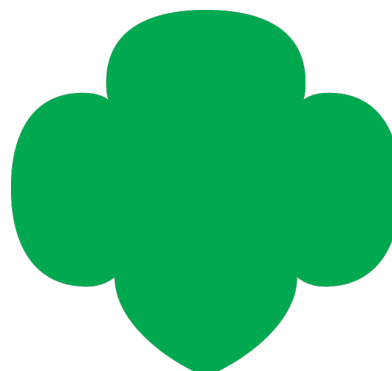
Work on fitness, play games, develop teamwork skills, and most importantly, have fun before school! Help your student create a great morning exercise habit. Session starts on **Friday, November 10** at 8:00am and will run weekly for 6 weeks. Register by **Sunday, November 5**.



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## Join PR Girl Scouts!

Troop 30434 has 9 openings for 1st grade Daisies! Girl Scouts is a great way for girls to make friends, participate in service and learning activities and have fun! Our troop meets twice per month, and no prior experience is necessary! Have questions or need more info? Contact our troop leaders [Carla Conrad](#) or [Deb Zafar](#).



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## Parent/Teacher Conference Dinner

Sign up to provide an item for the PTO sponsored Parent/Teacher Conference Dinner on **Wednesday, November 1.**

[Sign Up](#)



## Giant Eagle Gift Card Reminder

If you ordered Giant Eagle gift cards, they will be available to pick up during the Halloween parade on Tuesday October 31st. If you are unable to pick them up during the parade, please reach out to Amelia at [amelia.conte@gmail.com](mailto:amelia.conte@gmail.com) to arrange pick up.



## Student Handbook Acknowledgement

If you have not already done so, please log in to the Sapphire Community Web Portal to electronically sign the Student Handbook Acknowledgment form. Please review the policies in the handbook prior to signing. Upon logging in, you will see a reminder of "form waiting to be completed." You can find the forms in *My Backpack* under *Student Data Forms*.

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## In Case You Missed It

### Dress Reminders for the Fall

Fall is here! Please make sure your child is dressed for outdoor recess—including suitable footwear and a coat!



### Wexford Great Pumpkin Patch

The Wexford Great Pumpkin Patch is back! The WPTO is looking for pumpkins to showcase the uniqueness of our students. Please have your child decorate a small pumpkin and bring it into school to add to the Great Pumpkin Patch.



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## Lunch Volunteers Needed

We could use your help during lunchtime. Help our lunchroom aides, open containers, and assist with utensils.

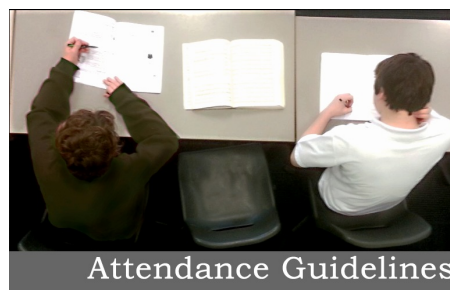
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## Attendance Policy Reminders

Please ensure your understanding and compliance with [our attendance policy](#). Student absences related to educational trip/tour requests count toward the 10 days per school year that are permitted to be parent excused.

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## Car Rider Procedures

If your child will be a regular or occasional car rider, please review important details about car rider procedures. If your child will be a regular PM car rider, please [complete this form](#).

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## Classroom Party Sign Ups

The PTO helps to coordinate all four classroom parties throughout the year. If you would like to volunteer for an activity, please use the link below. You are permitted to sign up for one party per child. Please read all of the rules on the sign up prior to volunteering. On a computer, each grade has a tab at the top of the sign up page; on mobile devices use the drop down menu to select a grade.



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## Help Stock the Staff Lounge

Please help stock the staff lounge! Purchase items from our [Amazon Wish List](#) or [Target Wish List](#) to be sent to school.



## Shoe Drive

Tuesdays are Shoedays! Wexford PTO is collecting gently worn, used and new shoes to raise money for the PTO. Not only do you help the school, but the shoes also get a second life with those in need—it's a double donation! Don't get rid of last year's summer and school shoes but instead send them into school with your student and drop them in the bin.



## Send in Your Aluminum Pull Tabs

When everyone *pulls* together, you *can* make a difference! Help support Ronald McDonald House and Wexford R.O.C.K.S by saving the tabs you pull from canned beverages and other aluminum cans. Collection runs through November. The collection bin is located outside of the cafeteria.



## Year-Round Fundraisers

Help support the Wexford PTO by participating in our ongoing vendor programs. Send in your Chick-fil-A receipts and empty inkjet cartridges. WPTO receives funds from these programs that allow us to provide for activities and programs we host throughout the year!



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## Reminders

- Friday Flash submissions are due Wednesdays at 8 am to [prnewsletters@pinerichland.org](mailto:prnewsletters@pinerichland.org).
- Applications for [Free and Reduced Lunch](#) must be submitted every school year.
- Review [Attendance Policy](#) reminders.
- [Children's Health Insurance Program](#) information.

- Check the [Friday Flash Archives](#) for past information.



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