



FRIDAY FALCON

July 18, 2008

WANTED: Clothes!

The front office is in need of girls & boys clothing donations! If you can spare any of the following, please send it to Judy Pizzuto in the front office:

- New underwear
- New socks
- Elastic band shorts & pants (sweat pants)
- T-shirts (long & short sleeved)

Keep in mind that all sizes are needed and appreciated. Thanks in advance!

Make Time for Great Leaps

Great Leaps Resource room teachers are looking for parent volunteers for the Great Leaps program. It is a very quick decoding program and we can train the volunteers!!! We will be doing Great Leaps Monday, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-3:25 in the resource room. We will have students from grades k-5 on all tracks coming for Great Leaps! The Great Leaps program will hopefully start on July 21st (remember all volunteers must be cleared). If you would like to participate, please contact me at ahall@wcpss.net. We are looking forward to a great Great Leaps Team! Thanks again!

Thanks!!

Ashleigh Hall, Special Education Contact – School Improvement Team

Ways and Means Needs Volunteers!!

If you like getting involved in the fundraising and spirit aspects of the school – then helping out with Ways and Means is the perfect choice for you. GHE's Ways and Means is looking for volunteers to help with our largest and most successful fundraiser - Innisbrook beginning next month! Assistance will also be needed for Spirit Night(s) at Chick-Fil-A during the school year. Questions about how you can help out with either one or both? Call Pia Prohaska, VP of Ways and Means @ 650-1663 or e-mail: pia.prohaska@yahoo.dk.

GHE's Vendor Programs – A Brief Introduction...

My name is Jackie Gross and I'm the vendor coordinator for GHE. I have done this for several years and will continue to do it this for the coming school year. GHE participates in several programs to help raise money for the PTA. The money raised through the vendor programs is used for many things around the school. Some past purchases have been computers, sod for areas around the school, and for other educational materials for GHE. I will be sending out a vendor packet in the next few weeks. This will explain each program that we participate in and this will help you understand how your family can help out our school. Here is a quick glimpse of some of the programs:

- **Harris Teeter-** if you shop at Harris Teeter and have a VIC card you can register your card through me or at your local store. We receive cash based on purchases of Harris Teeter brand products. If you email me, I need the entire VIC card number on the back of the card along with your last name. Cards can't be linked until August 1st. please email me at bullgross@bellsouth.net for me to link your VIC card.
- **Milk Challenge--**We send in Harris Teeter and Hunter Farms milk caps marked with an "H" for .05 a cap. The caps must have an "H" on the top of the cap. Please rinse them and put in a Ziploc baggie. These can be dropped off and placed in the white box outside the main office door.
- **Box Tops--**box tops are worth .10 each and sometimes more if they are a bonus box top. They are found on many products that we use everyday such as cereal, Kleenex,

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Pillsbury products, fruit roll-ups, Ziploc baggies and many others. If all box tops can be cut on the dotted lines and put in Ziploc baggies before sending them into school this would be very helpful. Just remind your kids the white box is outside the main office.

If you're not sure what these look like you can go to www.boxtops4education.com to see and also review the many products that have them. I will be sending out an example in the vendor packet in the next few weeks as well.

Some of the other programs are Target, Campbell's soup and Tyson labels. Stay tuned to the next Friday Falcon for more information on these programs. Try and get your kids involved. Put each one in charge of collecting labels and sending them in to our school. The kids get excited about helping to raise money for their school. Please email me Jackie Gross at bullgross@bellsouth.net if you have any questions about how these programs work for our school.

Jackie Gross, Vendor Coordinator for GHE

A Musical Note...

5TH GRADE CHORUS begins Wednesday, August 6th @ 8am for Tracks 1 & 4 and anyone on Track 3 who can come. Please email Mrs. Small (jsmall@wcpss.net) asap if your child is interested.

Interested in Hosting an Exchange Student for the School Year?

Are you interested in turning your home into an international home? Hosting an international student in your home gives your family the enriching opportunity to live with someone from another country. You share the American experience and learn about another culture at the same time. Students are coming from Brazil, Turkey, Germany, France, and China. There are fall semester and year-long opportunities. The responsibilities of a host family include providing two meals per day and a place to sleep and study. The student can share a bedroom with a same-gender child of similar age. The students speak English, have their own spending money (for lunch, extracurricular activities, clothing, etc.) and their own health insurance. Deadline for placement in Wake County is July 31. If you are interested in hosting or have questions about the process, contact:

Crystal Allis (Local Coordinator) 919-788-0852 (office/home) or 919-413-3652 (cell)

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A great translation tool that can translate anything from a sentence to an entire webpage can be found at http://www.google.com/language_tools?hl=en. All you have to do is copy, pick the language of your choice and then hit the 'translate' button. Happy reading!

Upcoming Dates

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| July 22 | Open House Tracks 1, 2 & 3 |
| July 24 | Room Parent Meeting // Meet the Teacher Track 4 |
| July 28 | Track 3 Tracks Out // Track 4 Tracks In |

Challenge of the Week!!

Hey Kids! This section is just for you. See how you do. The answer will be in next week's Friday Falcon. The answer to last week's (July 11th) challenge: **Four insects (24 legs) and three spiders (24 legs). No other combination will work.**

Here is this week's challenge: All of Jenny's pets are dogs except one. All of her pets are cats except one. How many cats and dogs does Jenny have?

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