



# McNair Elementary School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Newsletter

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## Important Dates

**Chuck E Cheese Night**  
Wed, Dec 6 2006, 3-9pm

**General PTA Meeting,**  
Thurs, Dec 14, 2006 at 7pm

## Thank you

Thank you for participating in the Fall Fundraiser. Together we raised funds to support PTA programs for our children!

## Volunteers

We continue to need volunteers to chair committees. PTA sponsored programs like after school athletics and reading nights require your participation. Please contact the PTA if you are able to give some time — every little bit helps.

## Red Ribbon Week

McNair students and faculty celebrated National Drug Awareness Week (Red Ribbon Week) October 23<sup>rd</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup>. The students showed their dedication to a drug free life a different way each day from wearing their favorite sneakers “don’t let drugs sneak up on you” to showing their school spirit by wearing the school colors on Friday. Each student who participated was entered in a drawing to win a pizza party for their classroom, provided by the PTA.

Ms. Boggs’ 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class won for the K-2nd category

Ms. Conti’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade class won for the 3rd-6th category.

Great job everyone!!!!!!

Red Ribbon week was established in 1988 in honor of DEA Agent Enrique “Kiki” Camarena who was killed in the line of duty. On Friday October 27<sup>th</sup> the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders attended an assembly presented by the Fairfax County Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The students learned about Agent Camarena and the dangers of using drugs and alcohol. A HUGE thank you to Melissa Hansen and James Franklin, the school’s counselors, for putting this together.

## November 2006 McNair PTA Budget Update

### October 2006 Income

Local Unit PTA Dues:	24.25
Kathryn Beich Fundraiser Sales:	14,608.50
No Fuss Fundraiser:	510.00
Spirit Wear Sales:	4,087.00
State/National/County PTA Dues:	57.75

**October 2006 Income Total: \$ 19,287.50**

### October 2006 Obligations Due by 11/02/06

Bank Charge:	10.00
General Admin Expenses:	57.67
Principal Designated:	45.93
Custom Spirit Wear	3,914.30

**October 2006 Obligations Total: \$4,027.90**

### Account Balances (as of October 30, 2006)

Checking	2,982.05
Money Market	<u>25,581.28</u>

**Total Funds in Bank Accounts: \$28,563.33**

## Keep Saving Those Labels!!!

Our goal this year is to earn \$1000 from BoxTops, 2000 points from Campbells Labels for Education and \$100 from Tyson Project A+.

Anyone can help McNair! Spread the word and keep up the great work and we will reach our goals. Collection boxes are located in the main office.

  


### Send us Your Empty Printer Cartridges and old Cell Phones!

Start saving those empty printer cartridges from home (and work if you are allowed). McNair has started a printer cartridge program. A collection box is located in the office. Last year we earned over \$400. So far we have earned \$45.25.

Thanks for your continued support.



### Don't Forget to Link to McNair!

If you shop at Giant, Safeway, Harris Teeter or Food Lion please be sure to register your grocery store discount cards to support McNair Elementary. McNair will earn a percentage of your purchases that go directly to the PTA and your kids! Tell your family and friends because anyone can support McNair. You must re-link your discount cards every year! Thanks for the help!



### Do You Shop On-line?

If the answer is yes, become a Box Tops Booster member and a percentage of purchases from the Box Tops Booster's website will be donated to the McNair PTA. A list of participating retailers can be found at: [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com).

Please sign up and support our kids! Every purchase counts towards reaching our goal of \$500 this year from the Box Tops program.

## Parent Center Events for November

**Thurs., Nov. 16** – Parent Center Coffee Talk – **9:30-10:30 a.m.** – Topic: "Helping Your Child Maintain a Healthy Weight," presented by guest speaker Chris Loudon, who is a nutritionist from Kaiser Permanente.

**Nov. 23** – Enjoy the **Thanksgiving** holiday!

**Thurs., Nov. 30** – Parent Center Coffee Talk – **9:30-10:30 a.m.** – Topic: "Meet our Counselors" – Ms. Hansen and Mr. Franklin will share the kinds of activities they do with our students and the kind of assistance they can provide for families.

## McNair Cafeteria News

Welcome to Mc Nair Cafeteria for the new 2006 school year. McNair Cafeteria is very busy serving 120 students for breakfast and over 600 for lunch. We are encouraging healthy food selection at meal times because of a growing concern for the health of our nation's children.

A complete lunch includes one entrée, choice of two different vegetables and/or fruits, bread, and choice of milk. Daily milk choices include low fat chocolate, fat free plain or low fat milk. Soy milk is available upon request @ 75 cents.

Yogurt lunch: 8 oz yogurt, hot pretzel and two vegetables or fruits and milk. Vegetarian options available every day. Students may refuse meat entrée and request additional vegetables, fruit and bread item. Students may purchase one breakfast (\$1.10) and one lunch (\$2.00) per day. Additional meals are available at adult prices (breakfast \$1.55 and lunch \$3.00) or a la carte whichever is less. Students who qualify for free or reduced price lunch (40 cents) receive breakfast free or at reduced price (30 cents).

### 3 Ways to Purchase Meals

- Online using: [www.mylunchmoney.com](http://www.mylunchmoney.com). This service is easy to use and there is a convenience fee.
- Check: make checks payable to: **McNair Food Service**
- Cash: Cash may be brought to the cafeteria manager's office for deposit on the student's account. We encourage the use of an envelope with your student's name and teacher's name on the envelope to ensure proper crediting. We sometimes have parents call with a concern about how much money their student has placed on their account. We have had students ask us for change from \$20's or other denominations then later to find out that we should not have given change. School policy is that any money that comes to us from the students should all be placed on their account. If you would like your student to get change back please send a note with your student.

There is a Lunch Only and Breakfast Only option for student accounts. Students may purchase a complete meal only. Many parents send small amounts of money, usually on Friday for a dessert to be bought with their lunch. McNair does have a program where parents may purchase an ice cream treat for all students (and the teacher) in their child's class for a special occasion, like birthdays. Please call a few days in advance to arrange this with the cafeteria manager. Please feel free to call (703) 793-4721 if you have any questions or concerns. The best time to call is 7:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. If you are experiencing financial difficulty for any reason, you may submit an application for free or reduced meals at any time during the school year. Please call for an application.