

CARPENTER CHRONICLES

Thank you! Boosterthon was a great success!!



Thank you, everyone, for participating in our EPIC Adventure over the last 2 weeks! With the support of Boosterthon, staff, students, parents, PTA and friends, we raised over \$22,000 for our school. This is a terrific accomplishment! These funds, along with other funds raised throughout the year, will be used to provide technology support for our school. Please help us collect all those pledges by March 1st and thanks, again, to everyone who contributed!!

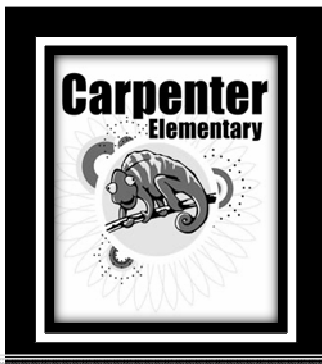
Science Night! Thursday, March 1

Be sure to visit school on Thursday, March 1 from 5:30pm – 7pm for the Carpenter Elementary Annual Science Night. This is a fun night for the family to visit Carpenter Elementary and see experiments conducted by our young scientists. We'll have a scavenger hunt and cookies available. Questions? Contact Christine Sulym at (christine535@nc.rr.com) or Alicia Smith at aliciasmith@gmail.com.



Runners Wanted!

Spring Run Club begins on March 2nd! All students are invited to participate in an active way to start off the day. On Friday mornings, from 8:15 am to 8:45 am, we will be out walking, jogging, or running the track. What a fun way to get some fresh air, exercise, socialize with friends, and start the school day energized and focused! Check out the Run Club Page on the Carpenter Web Site for details and registration info. Sign up today!



If you missed the opportunity to purchase a yearbook this fall, don't fret!! Yearbooks are still available for sale. Contact carpenteryearbooks@gmail.com if you need an order form.

In addition, if you have any pictures which can be used in the yearbook, please send pictures 1 or 2 at a time to carpenteryearbooks@gmail.com. If you have 10 or more pictures to send, please e-mail the same address and instructions for sending a disc will be provided.

Bringing the Arts to Carpenter!

Elizabeth Bostwick is Carpenter Elementary PTA's Cultural Arts chair and has done a terrific job this year in bringing artists to our school. David Edgar was our resident artist this year and he visited Carpenter for a week in February. David showed our 5th grade students how he makes Creatures from the Plastiquarium® (www.plastiquarium.com).

In addition to our resident artist, there are a number of other artists that are visiting our school this year. They include: Australian musician and vocalist - Seona McDowell (www.seonamcdowell.com), the Raleigh Symphony (www.raleighsymphony.org), Donna Washington – storyteller (www.donnowashington.com), transit - contemporary A Capella (www.transitvocalband.com), and writer Tony Peacock.

Carpenter PTA contributes \$4000 to funding this effort. In addition, This program is supported by a grant from the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County, Inc. Additional support is provided by the North Carolina Arts Council, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Spirit Day News: Favorite Sports Team Spirit Day is the spirit day theme for March. This is in keeping with March Madness! So, on Friday, March 30th, wear either a Carpenter Spiritwear shirt OR a shirt representing your favorite sports team (any sport!).

Yoga Club

Yoga Club is a hit! We've had such an amazing response, we are now completely full. If you'd like to be on a wait list for a future session, please continue to send in your permission slips along with your email so we can contact you as spaces become available.

For the kids who have already attended, please remember to wear appropriate clothing and be prepared to learn about the art and science of yoga. Namaste!

Carpenter Calendar

- Monday, February 27 – Donna Washington Storyteller
- Thursday, March 1, 5:30-7pm Science Night
- Friday, March 2, 9:45am -transit - contemporary A Capella
- Monday, March 12, 4th grade workshops with writer Tony Peacock (Trks 3&4)
- Monday, March 26, 4th grade workshops with writer Tony Peacock (Trks 1)
- Friday, March 23 – Early Release (1:15pm)
- Friday, March 30 – Spirit Day (favorite sports team)

Volunteer Corner

volunteersforcarpenter@gmail.com

- **Help out in the PTA's Drop Shop!**
Carpenter's teachers love the PTA Drop Shop so much that we can't even keep up! Do you have an hour to spare occasionally? If you wouldn't mind doing some cutting, stapling and organizing to help our teachers spend less time on prep work and more on teaching, sign up to work the PTA Drop Shop! Hours are flexible, and it's EASY! **Sign up at:**
www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/172345631179516066