



Stoneleigh Elementary School

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## Gold and Blue Newsletter

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Here it is, our last newsletter of the year! It is hard to believe. Thank you to everyone for the support you have shown our PTA organization this year.

We would like to encourage new parents to get involved next year. More kindergarten and first grade parents are needed to take an active role in the PTA. Not only is it a great way for you to meet other parents, but it is proven that students with involved parents do better in school. We welcome your ideas and would love the opportunity to work with you in making our school great. Please read about open volunteer positions on Page 2.

Best wishes to everyone as we end our school year and head off to summer break. May the fifth graders see much success as they begin their middle school experience!

### Elections

Elections for 2009-2010 PTA Officers will be held at the General Membership Meeting on May 29, 2009, at the End of Year Picnic. All PTA members in good standing are eligible to vote.

Please attend the picnic for some family fun and vote to help set a course for our PTA in the next year! Information about the End of Year Picnic can be found on Page 6.

### Leadership Training

The PTA Council of Baltimore County will conduct leadership training on Thursday, June 11, 2009 for new and returning officers and committee chairs so that they may learn skills needed to effectively lead their PTA.

All officers and committee chairs are strongly encouraged to attend this important training session. It is not necessary to register to participate.

Loch Raven High School  
7:00 - 9:00 PM

### Newsletter Information

Would you like to see your information printed in the Sept. 24, 2009, edition of the newsletter? Just send your articles/information by **September 18** to Susan Schoenfeld at [sschoenfeld@blr.com](mailto:sschoenfeld@blr.com). Editing for space/content may occur. Thanks for contributing!

### Dates to Remember

#### MAY

- 28 Walking Wednesdays Jungle Club presents "The Great Kapok Tree," Stoneleigh School Gym, 7:00 p.m.
- 29 End of Year Picnic, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

#### JUNE

- 1 Gold, and Blue, and Creative, Too! Assembly, 1:30 p.m., Entire School; **Students only unless you are an invited guest.**
- Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee (SECAC) Meeting, Greenwood, ESS Building, Room 114, 7:00 p.m.
- 5 Last day to turn in School Supply Pack Orders for 2009-2010 School Year
- 8 Awards Assembly, 1:30 p.m., Entire School; **Students only unless you are an invited guest.**
- 9 Farewell Program for Fifth Grade Students and their families at Towson High School, 7:00 p.m.
- Board of Education Meeting, Greenwood, ESS Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
- 11 Schools close 3 hours early at 12:15 p.m.
- 12 Last Day of School; Schools close 3 hours early at 12:15 p.m.
- 26 Last day to place online order for School Supply Packs for 2009-2010 School Year

#### AUGUST

- 26 K-Time Playtime, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Stoneleigh Elementary School playground
- Pick-up pre-ordered school supply packs, 4:00-7:00 p.m., Cafeteria Lobby
- 31 Opening Day for 2009/2010 School Year

### PTA 2008-2009 OFFICERS

Please feel free to contact any member of the Executive Board with any PTA related questions or concerns you may have. Thank You!

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CALLING ALL NEW  
**KINDERGARTNERS**  
and their Families to the  
Fourth Annual PTA sponsored

## **K-Time PLAYTIME**

Wednesday, August 26th  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Stoneleigh Elementary School  
Playground

*Don't forget to bring your sunscreen  
and water bottles!*

Questions?  
Contact Ellen Galvez at [galvez205@verizon.net](mailto:galvez205@verizon.net).



### **Stoneleigh PTA Student Directory**

2009-2010

The Stoneleigh Elementary PTA Student Directory for next year is already in production! Please be sure to complete and return the green directory authorization form your child recently brought home from school. This form must be completed annually by each family to be included in the 2009-2010 edition.

Questions? Need a new form? Contact Catherine Renggli at [stoneleighptadirectory@gmail.com](mailto:stoneleighptadirectory@gmail.com) or Trista DiPaula at 410-377-8577.

## **Volunteer Connection**

### **Holiday Bazaar**

We are in need of volunteers to organize the Kids Only Room and the New-2-You Room for the next Holiday Bazaar.

More importantly, Trixie Tracey and Alice Horan are looking for two new parent volunteers to train this upcoming year to be the new chairpersons in 2010-2011. Planning begins late August. Grab a friend and consider volunteering your time to organize this fun family event and successful Stoneleigh tradition!

If interested, please contact Trixie Tracey at 410-823-8980 or [trixietracey@verizon.net](mailto:trixietracey@verizon.net).

### **Fall Fundraiser**

Our new chairperson needs help and the planning starts in August! If you are interested in creating participation boards for each homeroom, collating catalog information, distributing catalogs to the teachers on the first Wednesday of school, or helping out in some small way, please contact us!

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### **Fine Arts Committee**

We are looking for a co-chairperson and volunteers to work collaboratively with the staff at Stoneleigh on the Fine Arts Committee. This committee will help with costumes, props, set design and make-up for school plays/musical productions; help to hang artwork in the school; and re-start the "Picture Parent" program at Stoneleigh.

If interested, please contact Sheri Buttarazzi at 410-377-0646 or [sbuttarazzi@gmail.com](mailto:sbuttarazzi@gmail.com), or Dana Link at [dlinkfiore@bcps.org](mailto:dlinkfiore@bcps.org).

### **Stoneleigh Spiritwear**

We are in need of a new co-chairperson for Stoneleigh Spiritwear. This volunteer will need to coordinate with others to make spiritwear available for purchase during different PTA venues, display the spiritwear in the school display window by the main office periodically throughout the school year, and fill orders as they are received. This position requires a moderate amount of time at the beginning of the school year and minimal time through the rest of the year. If interested, please contact us!

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Co-Chairperson  
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## SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

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## Summer Reading Program

Mon, June 1 - Fri, July 31, 2009

How kids 12 and under can participate:

1. Get a Feed Your Brain reading log at your local Half Price Books.
2. Check off each day you read for 15 minutes or more.
3. Fill out your reading log, and have your parent or guardian sign it.
4. Bring your completed and signed log to your local Half Price Books.
5. Get a Feed Your Brain Reading Reward:  
\$3 Shopping Card good at all Half Price Books locations.
6. Repeat steps 1 through 5 every week through Friday, July 31, 2009.

visit [halfpricebooks.com](http://halfpricebooks.com)  
for reading tips and more.



Go to [http://www.halfpricebooks.com/free\\_PDF\\_downloads.html](http://www.halfpricebooks.com/free_PDF_downloads.html)  
for your reading log or see Page 8.



May 26th - September 7th, 2009

When kids read any eight (8) books of their own choosing, they will earn a FREE book at Barnes & Noble.

Use the Summer Reading Journal found on Page 7 or at <http://www.barnesandnoble.com/summerreading/>.

## Be Creative @ Your Library!



**There's so much to do at your  
Baltimore County Public Library!**

**Join the FREE Summer Reading Program.  
Do fun crafts. Enter to win prizes. Be entertained at  
one of our programs!  
Come join us for a fun-filled summer!**

**The Summer Reading Program runs from June 15  
through August 15, 2009. Registration for the 2009  
Summer Reading Program begins May 11, 2009, but  
your Summer Reading packets will NOT be available  
for pick-up at the library until June 15.**

You can register for the Summer Reading Program online, or you can visit your local Baltimore County Public Library at any time during the program to register. Also, logging of your books and/or activities in your online profile will NOT be available until the Summer Reading Program actually begins on June 15.

## ¿Habla Usted Español?

The Stoneleigh PTA will be sponsoring after-school language clubs again next year to help students learn French and Spanish and expose them to the associated cultures. This year we were limited to only four clubs due to difficulty finding teachers. At this point we don't know if we will have as many registrants next year, but we would like to have a list of interested parents in case we find ourselves in the same position again. If you are fluent in either of these languages and can devote one afternoon weekly from late October to early April, please consider becoming a club teacher.

We would also love to involve current Stoneleigh students who are already fluent in these languages and would like to help by conversing with club members at the weekly meetings. Adding high school language honor tutors helped increase conversation in the clubs this year, and adding peers to the groups next year would move us even closer to our goal of a more conversational club format. (Of course, these students would not pay a fee.)

Please let us know if you have questions or if you would like to help out with the program next year.

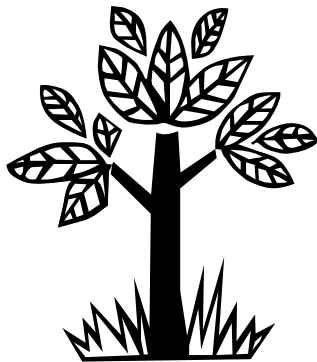
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## Parlez-Vous Français?

The Walking Wednesdays Jungle Club  
invites the families of Stoneleigh  
Elementary School  
to their dramatic adaptation of:

## The Great Kapok Tree



Where: Stoneleigh Elementary School Gym  
When: May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.



*Attention Creative Students:*

Be sure to watch in the Fall for information on the 2009-2010 PTA Reflections Art Program. The Reflections Program provides an opportunity for students in grades K-12 to express their thoughts and feelings through the creative arts.

The theme for 2009-2010 entries will be

***"Beauty is..."***

The Reflections Committee wishes you a safe and happy summer, full of beauty that will inspire your imagination!

~Courtney McGee & Kim Booher

## 2009 STEM Fair

Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade winners, Dylan Brown and Louis Lowenthal, competed in the BCPS STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Fair on Saturday, May 16, 2009 at Randallstown High School.

Stoneleigh's Third Grade Safe Racers Winners were: Maddie Zoll  
Andrew Schuck  
Grace Drew  
Maci Lopez

Stoneleigh's Fourth Grade STEM Fair Winner was: Dylan Brown

Stoneleigh's Fifth Grade STEM Fair Winner was: Louis Lowenthal

Congratulations again! We are all very proud of our Stoneleigh STEM Fair winners!

## A warm thank you goes out to our Teacher Appreciation Week Corporate Sponsors!

Please consider supporting these businesses in return for the generous support they offered our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week.

**Milt's Catering Company**

**Stoneleigh Bakery Cafe**

**Mitchell Widefeld Funeral Home**

**Rita's**

**Pizza City**

**Edible Arrangements**

**Fractured Prune**

**Maxalea**

**Gratitudes**

**Dean Johnson of Primary Residential Mortgage**

**Bissett Schwanke of Coldwell Banker Real Estate**

**Elizabeth Voss of Raw Olive**

**Kathleen Williams of Long and Foster Real Estate**

**Thank you to our many PTA and parent volunteers for making it a special week for our Stoneleigh Elementary Teachers and Staff!**

Family Fun is coming to Stoneleigh Elementary School!!!

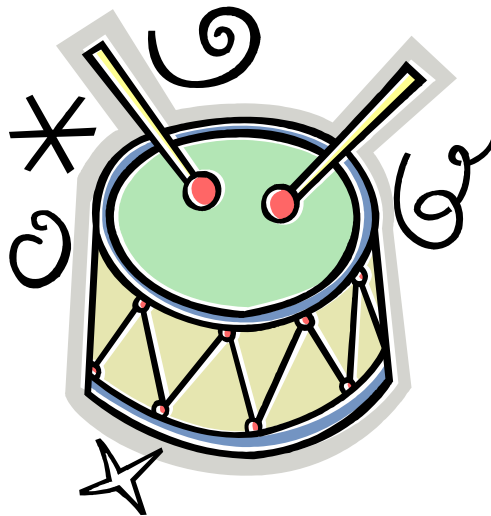
Friday May 29, 2009  
6:00 until 7:30 p.m.

End of the Year  
**PICNIC**

The word "PICNIC" is written in large, bold, yellow letters. Inside each letter, there are black silhouettes of people engaged in various picnic activities: a person sitting on a bench, a person standing, a person sitting at a table, a person standing, a person sitting on a bench, a person standing, and a person sitting on a bench.

Rain location: Stoneleigh Cafeteria

Join the families of Stoneleigh for an end of the year celebration.  
Bring your own picnic dinner and enjoy the rhythmic sounds of  
Stoneleigh's very own Steel Drum Band.



Cool treats will be provided by Rita's Italian Ice.

Parental supervision is required; no drop-offs.

2009 BARNES & NOBLE  
SUMMER READING  
with  
PERCY JACKSON & THE OLYMPIANS



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent / Guardian Phone # or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE AND AUTHOR	FAVORITE PART OF THE STORY
1 _____	_____
2 _____	_____
3 _____	_____
4 _____	_____
5 _____	_____
6 _____	_____
7 _____	_____
8 _____	_____

**WIN A FREE AUTOGRAPHED COPY OF THE FINAL PERCY JACKSON ADVENTURE, THE LAST OLYMPIAN!**

This form serves as your entry form. Be sure to include a parent or guardian's phone number or email address so we can let him or her know if you win.

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## Summer Reading Program

Reading Week of                      (date)

Sunday, I read for            minutes

Monday, I read for            minutes

Tuesday, I read for            minutes

Wednesday, I read for            minutes

Thursday, I read for            minutes

Friday, I read for            minutes

Saturday, I read for            minutes

       Days and a total of            minutes



Once you've read 15 minutes a day for at least 5 days,  
ask your parents for your reading reward.





**Ordering your prepackaged School Supplies is VERY SIMPLE. Send your order in to school before June 5th or place your online order before June 26th.**

**To Send Order to School:**

- Send order form below to school before June 5, 2009.
- Include payment with your order. Please make checks payable to **Stoneleigh Elementary School PTA.**

**To Order Online:**

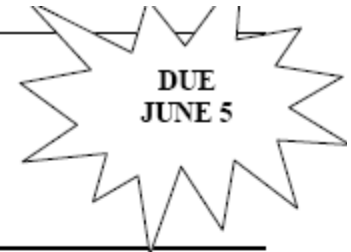
- Online orders must be placed before June 26, 2009.
- Go to [www.Innisbrook.com](http://www.Innisbrook.com) or call 1-800-334-8461.
- Click on the School Supplies link.
- Enter our school #113706.
- Order the School Supply Pack for your child's grade for school year 2009-2010.

**Your student's School Supply Pack will be shipped to school and available for pickup on Wednesday, August 26th between 4:00-7:00 p.m.**

Questions? Please contact Sarah Morris at [smorris1978@yahoo.com](mailto:smorris1978@yahoo.com), Sheri Buttarazzi at 410-377-0646, OR Innisbrook's customer service at 800-334-8461.

**Stoneleigh Elementary Order Form**

(Remember to order grade for NEXT school year, Fall 2009.)



I want to order the following School Supply Packs:

Grade Level	# of Packs	Cost Each	Total
K		\$56.00	
1		\$61.00	
2		\$39.50	
3		\$58.50	
4		\$51.50	
5		\$60.00	

Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name/ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Student Name/ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Student Name/ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE READ**

**Kindergarten** classes need 2 packs of party favors for the prize box and 2 packs of small stickers (1/4" size for charts) per child. Please help by sending these items to school. Thank you.

**Third Grade Supply Packs:** Please specify a color (green, blue, fuchsia, grey, red, or purple) for the required zipper binder with strap. Best effort will be made to provide the requested color.

**Homework planners** for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students are not included in these supply packs.