



Important Dates to Remember...

September

- 23 Fundraiser packets due
- 29 Moe's Northlake Night
- 30 Birthday Cake

October

- 3 *PTA Meeting 6:30(childcare provided by PTA)
- 4 Zaxby's Night
- 12 Fall Pictures
- 15 BBQ and Bids
- 27 Moe's Northlake Night
- 27 IHBC Movie Night at CCS 7-9pm
- 28 No School - Teacher workday
- 31 Birthday Cake
- 31-4 Spirit Week

November

- 1 Zaxby's Night
- 3 Chick-fil-a Night
- 7 *PTA Meeting 6:30(childcare provided by PTA)
- 11 No School - Veterans' Day
- 18 Fall Makeup Pictures
- 23-25 No School - Thanksgiving
- 30 Birthday Cake

Star Volunteers:
Michelle Dunham
Channon Wright



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: FALL FUNDRAISER packets due
: Friday, September 23rd no later than
: 4:00PM for student to be eligible for
: the contest for prizes! Questions?
: Email: nottinghillblonde@vahho.com
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PTA Update

We are off to a great year! Thanks to all of the families who participated in the PTA membership drive and Get SMART campaign! We have over 175 member families and over \$3,000 in funds – almost enough to purchase another SMART Board! Thank you for your generosity – and remember you can continue to donate to get us to the goal and make sure to check if your employer matches...that is easy money for Croft!!

Would also like to thank Independence Hills Baptist Church for providing lunch for our staff during the work week while our staff was busy getting ready for our children. The staff enjoyed a great meal and had a few minutes to catch up with their peers before they headed back to the classroom to get ready for Open House! Look for information on our first Movie Night sponsored by Independence Hills for a chance to come to the school and enjoy a free movie with your school friends.

In addition to the lunch, our Hospitality Committee, headed by Sandy Hovrud, put together a welcome breakfast with lots of homemade specialties from our parents. I would like to thank her for organizing such a wonderful kickoff to our school year! In addition, Starbucks, Davis Lake, provided the coffee and supplies to really start things off right! Thanks to them – make sure you thank the folks at Starbucks the next time you get coffee there as they are very generous to our requests!

Hope everyone has October 15th on their calendar for the first annual Bid\$ & BBQ – we have so many exciting items up for auction that I hope you can join us for a night of fun and excitement for both kids and parents!!!

~Beth Ann Calhoun
PTA President

Dear Croft Families,

It was great to see so many families at Open House on August 23, 2011 and I have enjoyed meeting many parents as you have come in for your child's Covenant Conference. We have had a wonderful opening and everything is running smoothly. In the welcome back letter I shared our school's theme for the 2011-2012 school year which is "Changing Possibilities to Realities through Collaboration, Imagination and Innovation." In order for this to be a successful change there needs to be collaboration among all stakeholders which includes the following: parents, students, teachers and members of the community.

You may ask yourself, what can I contribute to help possibilities change into realities? You can share the following: your time and talent.

Time could include the following:

- spend **time** helping your child with homework each night
- spend **time** reading a book with your child
- make **time** to come have lunch with your child at school
- take **time** to contact your child's teacher if you have a question

Sharing your talent by doing the following:

- volunteer to serve as room parent
- volunteer to serve on a PTA committee
- help shelve books in the media center
- share information with your child's class about your career

We appreciate any and all support that you can provide to the school. With all of the stakeholders working together I am positive that we can make this the best school year for the students.

Susan D. Wilson



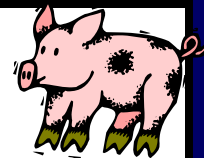
GET SMART – Invest In Your Child Campaign

How can you help? Support our “Get Smart - Invest in Your Child” Campaign, as well as fundraising efforts throughout the year to raise funds to purchase Smart Boards (\$4000.00 each). A Smart Board for every classroom is a lofty but attainable goal. Our students deserve the best!

Your 100% tax deductible donation goes directly to the CCS PTA operating budget to purchase SMART BOARDS for classrooms. A minimum donation of \$25 per student for our GET SMART – Invest in Your Child program will get us off to a good start. We are asking for donations in increments of \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100. Please check also to see if your employer has a matching donation for schools, and complete the appropriate employer forms if so. Every little bit



BID\$ & BBQ Silent Auction and Family Fun Night Saturday, October 15, 2011



Schedule of Events:

- 5:00-6:30 Dinner & Family Fun which includes carnival games, bounce house, & buckaroo bakery walk. *Tickets for the bakery walk will be sold at the door. Please see below to sign up to donate a baked good.
- 6:30-7:45 Silent Auction – Teacher Service Items will be auctioned from 6:00-7:00!! Browse this area with your child & don't miss out on these fun opportunities.
- 6:30-8:00 Children's Magic Show & Face Painting for children 4 & older.

This year we are providing entertainment and childcare for children ages 4 and up while parents enjoy browsing & bidding at the Silent Auction. Pre-paid wristbands are \$3 and admit your child to an entertaining Magic Show with Jason Frame, a master illusionist. Face painting will also be provided during this time. *Wristbands will be sold at the door for \$5 provided seating space is still available. Children are welcome in the auction with parents but once children enter the magic show they will be expected to stay until the show ends at 8 p.m.

Dinner is being catered by Wolfie's BBQ. It is available by pre-order for \$5 per plate. Choose between Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwich or 2 Chicken Skewers with chips and tea or soda. Food will also be available on the night of the event on a first come, first serve basis.

Please email djpierce@bellsouth.net to volunteer to send in baked goods for the Bakery Walk. We need cookies, cupcakes, brownies, cakes, pies and other sweets delivered to the school on Friday, October 14th. Thanks in advance for your participation!



Have you always wanted to get involved with the PTA but wasn't sure how? Have you always wanted to volunteer but are restricted by dates and times? Do you

arrive early for pick up to get a great carpool line spot? If you answered YES to any of these questions we may have an opportunity for you...the PTA's Helping Hands committee. We assist Croft Community family staff with administrative tasks such as copying, assembling, distribution, etc.

Our goal is to have enough volunteers to cover one day each week, producing what the staff needs in a timely manner without overwhelming a small handful of volunteers. Those choosing to participate in the program would be assigned to assist the staff one day per week. There may be no requests or if there are, we have asked for a 5 day lead time. If there is enough participation, we may only need enough volunteers for one day per month. If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, please email ptahelpinghands@gmail.com with your contact information, and what days and times you would be available.



the difference
I can make.

The summer “family” box tops contest has concluded, but don't stop collecting your box tops!! Our annual Box Top Derby will kick off in

November. Look for more details in your Thursday emails and keep clipping!!! If you have any questions or are new to box tops, email ruth@carolina.rr.com for more information.

Help support your school while shopping at your favorite stores! Re-link your Harris Teeter VIC card to CCS – you must re-link every school year. If you have a Target Red Card or VISA, please link it to CCS and Target will donate 1% of your purchases to the school. Invite family members to link their accounts to CCS too! Our schools numbers are:

Harris Teeter - 7109
Target – 148518

Want to reserve the school rock to paint for your child's birthday or other special day? For details, cost, and reservations, please contact Julie Moore at 704-975-1163 or julietrev@gmail.com.

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