

# The Cardinal Communicator

A Newsletter of  
Carrolltowne Elementary

**PTA**

*everychild.one voice.*



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## President's Message

Happy October Carrolltowne!

Fall is in full swing and so is the PTA! We are in the midst of our busiest fundraising season of the year, with Carrolltowne day at Red Barn Ranch, Trunk or Treat, and of course, the FUN RUN! It's our biggest fundraiser and every pledge helps us reach our goal. We also had successful restaurant nights at Becks and Chik-Fil-A, so a big THANK YOU for your support.

We recently gave the first check to the school for the playground which means we can lock in the price and order the equipment. However, we are still trying to raise \$76,000 so we can have poured rubber for the surface instead of mulch. This is why every fundraising event is so important - so we can have the best possible playground for our students and the community.

The PTA has been busy with other events, including spirit events such as a successful movie night and popsicles at the playground; hospitality events such as providing dinner for the teachers for parent-teacher conferences, and we are also accepting donations for our fall community service project, which helps foster families. If you would like to help with any of these projects/events, please reach out to the respective committee chair.

Have a GREAT fall Cardinals! Let's keep up the fantastic fundraising efforts!

Becky Seitz  
PTA President

## Membership

Parents/Guardians, Teachers, Staff, Administrators, Grandparents  
We need YOU join our PTA.  
Together we make a difference!

<https://carrolltownespta.memberhub.com/store>

Teacher/Staff, \$5 -- Indv. Membership, \$10 -- Double Membership, \$15





Rocky Says,  
"Check  
The Lost &  
Found!"

MISPLACED  
SOMETHING?

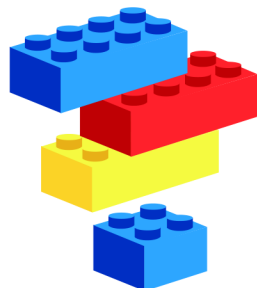
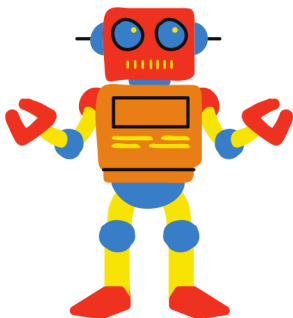


## STEM

Are you interested in helping plan STEM events or activities for our students? The STEM committee is always looking for help and innovative ideas to engage our students!

Thank you to Lego Explore Team coaches John Reilch, Jyothis Edathoot, JD & Chris Murphy and Charles Bushong! If you have contacted the STEM Committee regarding participating in the Lego Explore Team look out for an email with more information coming soon! Teams will begin to meet at the end of October and beginning of November.

Please email [stem@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:stem@carrolltownepta.com) for more details on Robotics Club, Coaching Robotics Club, or info on planning STEM events.



## Events & Dates To Remember

- October 16th-19th - Spirit Week
- October 19th - Fun Run
- October 19th - 6:45pm-8:15pm -Trunk-or-Treat
- October 20th - Schools Closed
- October 25th - 4-8pm - Noodles & Company Spirit Night
- Now-Oct 31st - Buppert's Farm Fundraiser
- November 7th - 2hr 45min Early Dismissal, No ECSN
- November 10th - 8am-8:45am - Veteran's Day Celebration
- November 14th - Chick-fil-A Spirit Day

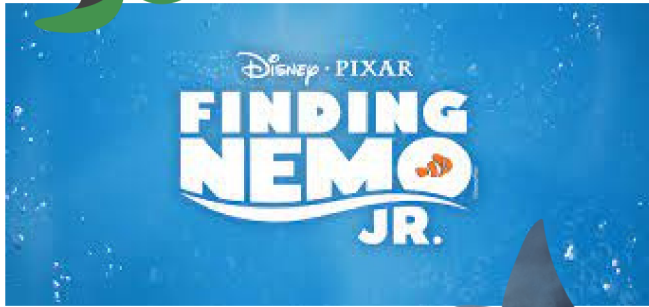
**DON'T FORGET**

## Birthday Books

Hello from the Birthday Books committee! We have been in the classrooms this month visiting children with September and October birthdays! Each month, every student with a birthday that month is given the opportunity to select an age/grade appropriate book to keep! As usual, the kids get so excited when they see one of our volunteers come to their class carrying the Birthday Books basket! Maybe your child has brought a book home already!



## Performing Arts



A parent interest meeting for *Finding Nemo Jr.* will be held October 25 at 7pm in the media center. We strongly encourage you to attend if your child is interested in auditioning as there is a lot of critical information shared at this meeting. Auditions will be held November 14 and 15 with call backs on November 20. The cast list will go out November 22 with rehearsals starting after thanksgiving.

For the most part rehearsals will be Monday-Wednesday with a few Tuesday rehearsals when school is closed Monday. Please email [carrolltowneplayers@gmail.com](mailto:carrolltowneplayers@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Spirit Week



Spirit Week October 16th-19th leading up to Fun Run and Trunk-or-Treat!!  
See the Fun Run email from Mrs. Amicone for the daily themes.

## Fun Run

Together We Can!

Log on to [MYBOOSTER.COM](http://MYBOOSTER.COM) today to register. Each student will receive a "Together We Can" wrist band for registering! Don't forget to click the "share" button to send to family and friends. Every share and donation counts!

We appreciate your support more than you know. More details and contests to come!



Key dates to remember:  
Event Day - 10/19  
Rain Date - 10/23



## Fundraising Committee

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

*Thank you so much to our community partners!*



#### NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 31 - BUPPERT'S FARM

*Mention the Carrolltowne PTA Fundraiser while picking up fall produce or enjoying a weekend hayride!*

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 4-8 PM - NOODLES AND COMPANY



*Be sure to let them know you are here for the Carrolltowne PTA Fundraiser or use code **GIVING25** for mobile/online orders.*



#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 12-8 PM - CHICK FIL A

*Dine In, Drive Thru or Mobile Order. Mention SPIRIT DAY or use code **CES2023** when mobile ordering!*

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 4-8 PM - CHIPOTLE

*When dining in be sure to let them know you are here for the Carrolltowne PTA Fundraiser. If you mobile order or order online use code **PXP9H32**.*



Finally, direct donations can be given by using the link:

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=RXP4W6AJMLAL&source=qr](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=RXP4W6AJMLAL&source=qr)

Again, we cannot thank you enough  
for your support!



**THANK  
YOU!**  
♥



## Spirit Committee



Join us for a Veteran's Day Celebration!

**Who:** Carrolltowne students and an adult Veteran (only 2 adult Veterans per family permitted to attend due to space constraints)

**When:** Friday, November 10th, 8:00 - 8:45am

**Where:** CES Cafeteria

Carrolltowne students and their Veteran's can enjoy a FREE donut, juice and coffee along with other Carrolltowne friends!

The "musts" and details:

- You must register for this event in order to attend.
- You **MUST** park in the lot behind Petco to allow teachers and staff to park in the lot on school property. (Handicap parking is available at the school but handicap tags or hang tag must be displayed. If your Veteran is unable to park and walk from the Petco lot, please email [spirit@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:spirit@carrolltownepta.com))
- You must stay with your child until the bell rings at 8:45 a.m.
- One donut per person.
- Younger siblings permitted to attend but we cannot provide a muffin.
- To register, please click on this link and complete by 11/3 so we can order the correct amount of donuts. <https://forms.gle/ggdN5YQBXd04bpdQ6>

We are in need of volunteers and donations for this event!

Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CA9AB28A5F85-45208500-veterans> to sign up!

Questions? Email [spirit@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:spirit@carrolltownepta.com)



## Spirit Committee

Holiday Shop



Save the date for Carrolltowne's Holiday Shop Saturday, December 2nd from 8am-12pm! Sponsored by the PTA! We have LOTS of fun and unique gifts for your little shoppers to purchase. Sit and relax while your students shop for family and friends. We have volunteers to help them pick out gifts and budget their money. Gifts are priced from \$0.50-\$15 and we accept cash only.

We will need **ADULT** volunteers to help run the Holiday Shop.

Please consider donating a little bit of your time.

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CA9AB28A5F85-39134283-2023>

## Community Service

On behalf of the PTA Community Service Committee we would like to thank everyone who participated in the donation drive for Foster the Family! Your contribution made such a difference in the lives of foster children!

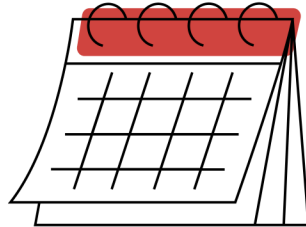
As a heads up, our next donation drive will be November 27th-December 2nd and we will be collecting diapers, wipes and other hygiene items for CarrollBaby, who assist over 190 families in Carroll County through various support organizations. All size diapers and pull-ups are accepted and open and unused packages are accepted.

For more information about CarrollBaby visit <https://www.carrollbaby.org/>



## Future PTA Meetings

- November 2, 7 p.m.
- February 8, 7 p.m.
- April 4, 7 p.m.
- June 6, 7 p.m.



## 2023-2024 PTA Executive Committee

**President: Becky Seitz**  
*president@carrolltownepta.com*

**Vice-President: Kelly McGonigal**  
*vicepresident@carrolltownepta.com*

**Treasurer: Scott McCadden**  
*treasurer@carrolltownepta.com*

**Secretary: Bryanna Parish**  
*secretary@carrolltownepta.com*



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 Carrolltowne Elementary  
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 at [carrolltownepta.com/newsletters](https://carrolltownepta.com/newsletters)**



## **FALL HARVEST FUNDRAISER**

**\*\*From October 5<sup>th</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>\*\***

**Buppert's Farm will give**

**10% OF YOUR PURCHASE**

Fresh produce, Fall Decorations and Hayride to  
**Carrolltowne Elementary PTA!**

**\*\*\*Show your device or print this flier\*\*\***

### **Bring your family to the farm!**

Hayrides to the pumpkin patch,  
Every Sat. & Sun. AND Oct. 20th  
Order online to reserve tickets:  
[Bupperts.com](http://Bupperts.com)

#### **Available/open all month:**

- Photo-op ~ Farm murals & Pumpkin Wall
- Corn maze
- Pygmy goats to feed
- Picnic area
- Fall Harvest Decorations:  
Pumpkins, Gourds, Cinderella/Heirloom  
Pumpkins, White Pumpkins, Straw, Corn  
Stalks, Mums, Pansies and more!

### **Sustainable Agriculture!**

Fresh pressed Apple Cider, Apples,  
Local Raw Honey, Apple Butter,  
Farm Fresh Eggs, Broccoli, Kale,  
Collards, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Bell  
Peppers, Butternut Squash and  
Winter Squash (many varieties),  
Sweet potatoes, and much more!  
**Fresh baked Pies, Breads, Cookies  
and Muffins!**  
**Organic, local Ice Cream, Artisan  
Cheeses.**  
**Local, organic, pasture raised  
meats.**

## **Buppert's Farm**

Doran's Chance Farm, Inc.

**6914 Ridge Rd, Marriottsville, MD 21104**

**410-795-6815**

[www.Bupperts.com](http://www.Bupperts.com) or [www.facebook.com/bupperts](http://www.facebook.com/bupperts)

We offer farm fresh fruits & vegetables all summer long!

We practice sustainable, natural farming methods.

**Thank you for Supporting Local Agriculture!!!**

-----SHOP ANYTIME FROM October 5<sup>th</sup> through Oct 31<sup>st</sup>-----

**\*\*\*Show your device or bring in this flier to get credit for your school\*\*\***

Total Purchase (less tax) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

10% donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ CES '23



CARROLLTOWNE PTA INVITES STUDENTS AND FAMILIES TO:

# TRUNK OR TREAT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

6:45-8:15PM

CES PARKING LOT

ADMISSION \$25 PER CAR

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE PLAYGROUND FUND

**6:45 PARKING LOT OPEN TO CARS**

**7:15 TRUNK OR TREAT BEGINS**

(LOT WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC)

**8:00 TRUNK AWARDS**

**8:15 EVENT ENDS**

AWARDS:

-SCARIEST

-BEST THEME

-MOST INTERACTIVE

-MOST CREATIVE

-CUTEST

- All children participating **MUST** arrive in a registered car.
- **NO WALK UPS ALLOWED.**
- All cars must hand out candy.
- All children must be supervised by an adult.
- This is not a drop off event.

**Registration closed**

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**What is a Trunk or Treat?** It is a safe and fun event for children and families to dress up and trick or treat. Kids will trick or treat from the trunks of the vehicles parked in the CES parking lot. Once the event starts, vehicles will not be allowed to move on or off the lot until the event is over. All families participating in the Trunk or Treat must hand out candy. A final head count of participants will be emailed on 10/13/23. You can choose to decorate your car, but it is not required. Participants will bring their own candy to hand out and decorations for their car. Non-food items such as glow sticks, bubbles, or small trinkets may be distributed in place of candy. Questions? Email [spirit@carrolltownepta.com](mailto:spirit@carrolltownepta.com)

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In accordance with CCPS policy, the use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products is strictly prohibited on school property. If anyone in your group is found to be in violation of this policy, you will be asked to leave and your actions could result in future events to be cancelled by administration.



# EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

LITTLE BY LITTLE WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

LOOK  
FOR THE  
LABEL:



## HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



### BUY

#### BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



### SCAN

#### YOUR RECEIPT

Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



### EARN

#### CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online.

## SHOPPING FOR GROCERIES ONLINE?

You can still earn Box Tops for your school with your e-receipt!

See how at [BTFE.com/emailgroceryreceipts](https://www.btfef.com/emailgroceryreceipts)



## BOX TOPS CLIPS

You may occasionally find an old Box Tops clip on packages in stores. You can still clip them and send them to school, as long as each clip has a valid expiration date.

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT  
THE BOX TOPS APP AT [BTFE.COM](https://www.btfef.com)

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APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:

