

# Clark PTA Post

"Voice your opinion- We are listening"

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## What is on the PTA radar?

### September-October

- Membership and flat donation drive
- Fall Carnival
- Program Updates
- Walk to School Day- October 3<sup>rd</sup>!
- **Reflections**- Deadline for submission is October 5<sup>th</sup>!!
- **Fitness Run** is on October 19<sup>th</sup>!
- **Clark Music Makers** is all set to start in October!

### Secretary's Summary

- Don't miss the PTA General Body Meeting on **Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of September at 6:00 PM in Carolyn Clark Forum**- All are invited!
- Annual Budget for 2012-2013 will be presented at the PTA General Body Meeting.
- The Clark PTA website has current information on upcoming events, PTA programs and volunteering opportunities. Please check out the latest in PTA at [www.carolynclarkpta.org](http://www.carolynclarkpta.org).

## Membership Update

We have received overwhelming support from Clark Parents this year- the PTA is now 466 members strong. With 100% membership support from the teachers, we are now closer than ever to our target of 500 members!

We are making progress with our flat donation fundraiser having cleared the half way mark and counting up- we are at \$12,000. Thank you to all PTA members for your generosity in supporting our efforts to run fantastic enrichment programs for the Clark Cubs!

## Book Fair

The Scholastic book fair at the start of the school year (Aug 31<sup>st</sup> to Sept 7<sup>th</sup>) was a great success- total sales grossed \$9000.

The proceeds from the book fair will be used to buy AR testing material and will benefit all kids at Clark.

The visitors also supported "All 4 Books" drive by donating generously. This raised sufficient funds to buy new books to fulfill the wish list of the librarian.

## Fall Carnival

The PTA Fall Carnival on September 21<sup>st</sup> was a spectacular community event. Game booths, prizes, food trucks, music and other festivities marked the evening and close to 400 people from the neighborhood attended the event. The most popular booth was the "dunk tank"- a rare opportunity this year to dunk your favorite teacher, caring adult volunteers and even Principal Juarez!!

## Carolyn Clark PTA on Facebook

Did you know that the Clark PTA has a Facebook page?

We post event updates, PTA activity information, event photos and much more on our page. It's a great place to keep in touch with the school PTA! Please join us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/carolynclarkpta>.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**SEPT 26**                      **ABC VOLUNTEERS BREAKFAST**  
PLACE: D102                      TIME: 8:45 AM

**SEPT 26**                      **PTA GENERAL BODY MEETING**  
PLACE: FORUM                      TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 PM

**OCT 3**                              **WALK TO SCHOOL DAY**

**OCT 4**                              **ABC'S ASSET 101 TRAINING**  
PLACE: D102                      TIME: 8:45 AM

**OCT 5**                              **REFLECTIONS SUBMISSIONS DUE**

**OCT 19**                              **FITNESS RUN AT CLARK**

**OCT 24**                              **PTA GENERAL BODY MEETING**  
PLACE: FORUM                      TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 PM

### REFLECTIONS

THE THEME FOR THIS YEAR IS "THE MAGIC OF A MOMENT".  
SUBMIT ORIGINAL ENTRIES IN CATEGORIES OF ART, DANCE, MUSIC,  
PHOTOGRAPHY, POETRY OR LITERATURE BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>. CONTACT MANKAMAL SONI [MANKAMALSONI@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MANKAMALSONI@GMAIL.COM) OR VISIT [WWW.CAROLYNCLARKPTA.ORG](http://WWW.CAROLYNCLARKPTA.ORG) FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

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**WE ARE HAPPY TO PUBLISH THE SECOND ISSUE OF THE PTA POST- A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER COVERING NEWS RELATING TO ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS BY THE PTA. ALL MEMBERS OF CLARK COMMUNITY ARE ENCOURAGED TO VOICE THEIR OPINION THROUGH THE NEWSLETTER.**

For questions and submissions to the PTA Post, please email information by the **second Friday of every month** to [shobana.mani2009@yahoo.com](mailto:shobana.mani2009@yahoo.com)

Walking School Bus- Marching Cubs  
Carolyn Clark School has received a grant from the City of San Jose to implement a walking school bus program. The primary aim of this program is to promote healthy commuting options like walking and in effect reducing traffic congestion around the school. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Heena Patel at [hpatel\\_1999@yahoo.com](mailto:hpatel_1999@yahoo.com) or Patti Andrade at [grrlypower@yahoo.com](mailto:grrlypower@yahoo.com) for additional details.

### International Walk to School day

Get set to board the "Marching Cub Commuter" on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012. Walk to school with your friends and neighbors and leave a healthy footprint on the sidewalk!!

### Arts Attack

Thank you to all Art Docents who attended the volunteer orientation on September 14<sup>th</sup>. With over 60 art docents, we are looking forward to an "awesome and artful" year ahead.

### ABC Reading

Join ABC Program leads, Zabin Alibhai and Salma Khan on September 26<sup>th</sup> in D102 for October's ABC book training- "Giraffes can't dance."

### Fitness Run

Join us for a day of fitness and health on **October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012**. Fitness Run is a school-wide event for students and teachers. All kids (K-6<sup>th</sup> Grade) will run/walk laps around the field to raise funds for PTA programs through pledges from their supporters.

All kids can participate regardless of funds raised.

**We are looking for parent volunteers to make this event a success. Sponsorships and donations for refreshments, first aid kits and prizes are welcome and appreciated.**

Interested volunteers and potential sponsors, please contact our fundraising team:

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Patti Andrade at [grrlypower@yahoo.com](mailto:grrlypower@yahoo.com)

**Making strides towards healthy kids at Clark! Go CUBS!!**