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## Important Dates

**Apr 13-22**

AIMS Testing

**Apr 15**

Spring Book Fair Begins

**Apr 23**

Lunch on the Lawn

**Apr 23**

Spring Book Fair Ends

**Apr 23**

Ice Cream Social; 5:30-7pm

**Apr 29**

Celebration of Learning

**May 3 - 7**

Staff Appreciation Week

**May 11**

PTO General Meeting; 7:00PM,  
Library

**May 27**

Last Day of School

## From PTO Historian, Janet Mooneyham

Another school year has flown by, leading us into the last quarter with a few events left on the calendar year. The Spring Book Fair runs April 15th through the 23rd and the annual Ice Cream Social is Friday, April 23rd. The ice cream social is a free event and features vanilla ice cream sundaes with lots of different toppings! Dairy free options are also available for children with milk allergies. We hope you'll come, relax for a while with your children, and enjoy some great music played by our own Mr. G! The Celebration of Learning will now be April 29th.

The PTO would like to thank Coach Benson and all who volunteered during Field Day on Friday before spring break. The students always look forward to this great day of fun activities and friendly competition. Who doesn't love tug-a-war?

During our last PTO meeting we discussed who was interested and able to stay on the PTO Board for next year. Each PTO member is allowed to hold their position on the board for up to two school years. This next school year we will be needing a few new volunteers to fill positions on the PTO Board: Secretary, Financial Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator, and two people for Hospitality. If you are interested in an open or occupied position, there will be elections in May, please contact Erica Riordan at [ejbriordan@cox.net](mailto:ejbriordan@cox.net) or Darcy DiCosmo at [ddicosmo@kyrene.org](mailto:ddicosmo@kyrene.org). You might wonder if joining the PTO is for you? Well, this has been my first year as Historian for the PTO and I truly have loved getting to know how the school operates and being involved when and where I am available. When I first got involved I was a bit apprehensive, who are all these people on the PTO Board, a bunch of moms who have nothing else to do but hover over and make sure everything is okay for "their child"? Much to my surprise, I found an incredible group of people! Some of our PTO Board are stay at home moms, others are Aerospace Engineers, Cosmetologists, Small Business Owners and Media Specialists. Some of them still work full time, some part time, and some are putting their careers on hold to volunteer while they can during these few short years of children's education. I strongly encourage you to be a part of the PTO and to bring some fresh ideas and insight.

If the PTO board is not for you, there will be many committees looking for chairpersons or co-chairpersons for the next school year. Many of these committees have been chaired by the same person for years and in many cases their children will begin middle school next year. Please think of how you might be able to volunteer for our 2010/2011 school year. Visit the PTO website for more info: [www.cerritosppto.org](http://www.cerritosppto.org).

Sincerely,  
Janet Mooneyham, Historian

### Otter Pop Fridays!



The PTO will be selling OTTER POPS for 50¢ after school on Fridays! Look for the table near the front office. We are sorry we are unable to sell the Otter Pops to bus riders. Thank you for your understanding.



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## Upcoming PTO Elections!

The Elections for 2010-2011 are coming up in May! The following is a list of positions that need to be filled:

- Secretary
- Financial Secretary
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Hospitality (two people)

PTO by-laws mandate that each executive board position be held no longer than two years by any given board member.

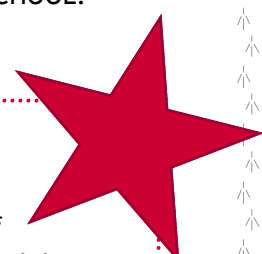
The PTO Board meets once a month to discuss and vote on various issues relating to its support of teachers and staff at Cerritos. If you are interested in serving on the board or have any questions about a position, please email Erica Riordan at [ejbriordan@cox.net](mailto:ejbriordan@cox.net). THANK YOU!! IT'S A GREAT WAY TO BE INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL!

### **YEARBOOK HAS GONE TO PRINT!!**

A reminder to order your yearbook now to guarantee that your child will receive one at the end of the year!! We have ordered 500 copies of the yearbook from the publisher which will be distributed directly to the classrooms the last week of school to students who have paid reserved a copy. If there are any remaining yearbooks after all the pre-orders have been fulfilled, they will be available for purchase on a first come, first serve for a price of \$30.

Please complete the form at the back of this Beep Beep and return it to school in an envelope marked "Yearbook Order" to your child's teacher along with a check (payable to CERRITOS PTO).

A BIG thank you to the parent volunteers who helped create this year's yearbook!!



### **Thank you for your help on picture day:**

Amy Alme, Monica Hedeby, Deb Henderson, Debbie Jalaghi, Susanne Kocsis, Mike McRight (worked 2 shifts), Wendy Mohandes, Maria Riggs, & Erica Riordan. You all made the day smooth and successful!!



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## Students Help with First Harvest of School Garden

On February 25, Cerritos students and teachers helped harvest the new school garden's first crop of vegetables - fresh chard. The students enjoyed participating at the different stations -- cutting, washing and bagging the chard to donate to the Kyrene Family Resource Center. Thanks to all who helped that day!

In other news, the Go Green Club have been busily painting and creating signs to post in preparation for the club's biggest day of the year—Earth Day on April 22. Check out the suggestions below to celebrate Earth Day with your family.



## Go Green Tip of the Month

**A few suggestions to celebrate Earth Day at home:**

- Make an Earth Day pledge: Have each family member make an environmental pledge for the year (such as pledging to turn off the water every time you brush your teeth or turn the light off every time you leave a room.) Write them on green paper leaves and put somewhere visible.
- Plant a tree in your yard
- Check your shelves for one or more old books and donate them to your school or public library. For another donation option, check out [www.bookcrossing.com](http://www.bookcrossing.com).
- Buy sugar cookie dough and make round royal blue iced cookies that look like the planet earth...and then share with some friends.
- If you haven't started recycling already, Earth Day is the perfect time to start!



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## NO COST Fundraising!!

Earn cash for your school at no extra cost to you. These programs are designed to raise money for Cerritos with minimal time, effort and no additional expense. Participate today and help earn free money for our school!

### Escrip

Register with eScrip and be sure to provide your Safeway club card number in order to earn FREE MONEY for Cerritos. You can either complete the yellow form that came home with your child or register online at [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com).

### BoxTops

Clip BoxTops & earn FREE MONEY for Cerritos! It's AS EASY AS 1,2,3...

1. CLIP OUT YOUR BOX TOPS
2. PUT THEM IN A ZIP LOCK BAG
3. TURN THEM INTO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER



Each quarter, the class that collects the most BOX TOPS wins a prize!! Last year, we received close to \$2000 from BoxTops - let's earn even more this year!

### School Cents

Any time you shop or dine at the Chandler Mall or any surrounding properties (Target, TJ Maxx, Great Indoors, etc.), you can earn points for Cerritos!

Take your receipts to the "Guest Services Desk" on the second floor of the Chandler Mall and show them to the attendant. Your receipt will be logged, stamped and returned to you.

OR

Drop your receipts in the "School Cents" box located in the main hallway at school. Place a note on the receipts with your name and contact information and we will get the receipts stamped for you! Once your receipts are logged, we will return them to you.

The contest runs from August 15, 2009 and April 15, 2010. The school that earns the most points wins \$2,500!

### Fry's has "COOL CASH" for Cerritos!!!

Present this barcode to the cashier & every purchase you make will automatically be deposited in our school's account. Once the school reaches \$50,000 in spending, Fry's will send the school a \$500 check! We have until April 24, 2010 to earn up to \$2,000.



### Thank You For Your Support!

This month our Family Dinner Night at Vincent's was a big success!

The winning class was Mr. Norman's 5th grade class! They won a ROOT BEER FLOAT party!!!





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## 2009/2010 Cerritos Spiritwear Order Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's Name & Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please circle your choice\*\***

Item Description	Price	Sizes
Cerritos Water Bottles	\$5	n/a
Cerritos Windshield Decal	\$5	n/a
Cerritos Car Magnet	\$5	n/a
Short Sleeve Gray T-shirt	\$10	Youth S, M, L, Adult S, M, L, XL
Girls turquoise fitted shirt w/bling	\$12	Youth S, M, L
Women's black tank w/bling	\$12	Adult M, L, XL
Girls Cheer Shorts, (Black)	\$10	Youth S, M, L, Adult S
Mesh basketball shorts (Black)	\$12	Youth S, M, L, Adult S
Special Order- All Bling-Any size, color & style	\$20	Any size
Spirit Wear Flip Flops	\$17	11/12, 12, 1/2, 3/4, 5/6
Embroidered Hoodies (Black or Gray) <b>**Special order</b>	\$24	Any size
“ (personalized)	\$26	“

**Cash or Check (made payable to Cerritos PTO) are welcome!**

Please note that we NO LONGER accept credit card payment.

If you have any questions, please call Monica Hedeby (480) 636-9057 or Sydney Sterling (602) 751-7118.





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Please complete this form below in its entirety and return it to school in an envelope marked "Yearbook Order" to your child's teacher along with a check (payable to CERRITOS PTO). Please note that we NO LONGER accept credit card payment.

Order confirmation/receipts are being sent via email. Please be assured that your email address will be used solely for this purpose and will not be distributed for any other reason. If you do not wish to receive an email, a paper receipt will be sent home via your child.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances Brakebill at [cerritosyearbook@msn.com](mailto:cerritosyearbook@msn.com) or at 480-460-4220.

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### PLEASE PRINT AND RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER OR THE CERRITOS OFFICE

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ yearbooks @ \$27 ea

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_ (for an email receipt)

**Cash, Check** (made payable to Cerritos PTO)

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK OR CASH: \_\_\_\_\_