



# Patwin Elementary

March 1, 2010 Newsletter

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## Calendar of Events

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT
3-1-10	Monday		Make-No-Waste Monday
3-3-10	Wednesday	6:15 - 8:15pm	PTA Meeting
3-8-10--- 3-12-10	Monday- Friday		Patwin Bookfair *VOLUNTEERS NEEDED*
3-9-10	Tuesday		2nd Grade Sponsored Teacher Luncheon
3-11-10	Thursday		Lamppost Pizza Fundraiser
4-5-10--- 4-9-10	Monday - Friday		Spring Break
4-19-10	Monday		STAR Testing begins
4-22-10	Thursday		1st Grade Sponsored Teacher Luncheon
4-24-10	Saturday		Walkathon

The Patwin Newsletter is published each Monday of the school year by the Patwin PTA. The deadline to submit articles is the preceding Thursday at 12:00 noon. Articles should be e-mailed to the editors at [patwineditor@gmail.com](mailto:patwineditor@gmail.com). Please include a contact name and phone number.

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## From the Principal

Hello Patwin Parents...Please help us with our February Sweep. We are asking that everyone complete and return a free and reduced lunch form by Friday, February 26th. It is very important that we get these returned for several reasons. Please know that even if you qualify for free and reduced lunch, you can opt not to receive lunches. We are asking that if you know you will not qualify, please at least fill out the student information portion and return.

Just a reminder that dogs are not allowed on campus...no matter how cute they might be. It could result in an unsafe situation since many young children are unaware of how to act around dogs. It is also not my place to decide which dogs "appear friendly," and therefore can be on campus and those that should not be on campus.

If you have questions about Lice or need help buying the treatments, please let me know. I know from first hand experience that it can be time consuming, frustrating, and expensive to rid your children and house of lice. Do not be hesitant to ask for help and certainly do NOT be embarrassed.

Conference week is the week of March 8th. Please remember that all students in grades 1-6 will be dismissed at 1:30 and should not be on campus for long after that dismissal. All kinders will be on the morning kinder schedule.

Please encourage your child to give their best effort in the reading rally and ask any questions that you might have!

Have a wonderful weekend!

## Patwin's Spring Book Fair

March 8 - March 12

Mon, March 8th through Thurs., March 11

1:35 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fri, March 12 - 1:35 to 2:30 p.m.

Check Out Patwin's Book Fair Homepage Web Address  
<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/patwin>

**AND as usual, PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.**



## Blue & White's FUND RUN

Davis High School is BACK ON TRACK!

You are all invited to help open the new all-weather track

Sunday, March 7th 10 AM - 2 PM

(registration begins at 8:30AM)

The DHS Blue and White Foundation is planning a fun day of races, food, performances and celebration. Proceeds from the day will benefit the continued renovation of the stadium. All students, staff and teachers are invited to join in the fun. Student Clubs are invited, free of charge, to perform, set-up a fun activity or information booth. This is a great way for students to showcase their talent, their club or activity to the community!

Races for all age groups will be run by the DHS Track Team. Of special interest to all, may be the 8 X 100 Relay. Be sure to get your team of 8 together for this fun competition. Superintendent Hammond and DHS Principal Roberson are already getting their teams ready . . . look for early morning workouts! Don't wait till it's too late. Get your team together now. There are prizes to be had!

Registration forms and entry fees (\$5 for K-12 students and \$25 for adults) will be sent home through elementary backpacks or can be downloaded from [www.dhsblueandwhite.org](http://www.dhsblueandwhite.org). All race participants will receive a commemorative t-shirt. Payments may be made on-line through Pay Pal. Checks made out to DHS Blue and White Foundation will be accepted via mail or on race day.

Further information is also available by contacting Nancy Peterson of the DHS Blue and White Foundation at (530) 219-2427 or [nnpeterson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nnpeterson@sbcglobal.net)

# PTA Meeting Agenda

**Date: Wednesday March 3, 2010 Time: 6:15 – 8:15 Where: Patwin Library**

## 2009/2010 Board Members

President;	Teresa Clarke	759-9301	<a href="mailto:Patwinpta@gmail.com">Patwinpta@gmail.com</a>
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## AGENDA

ITEM	PERSON	TIME ALLOTTED
Open Meeting & Introductions	Teresa Clarke	5 min.
Principals Report	Michelle Flowers	20 min.
PTA Budget - Currently	Cathy Miller	20 min.
School Beautification (When)		
Party Boxes ? Kitchen Box?	Joannie	10 min.
Approval of Feb. Minutes	Hillary Alejo	5 min.
Approval of Financials – Prewritten Checks	Cathy Miller	5 min.
Open Discussion	Various	10 min.

### Future

March 3 – Bookfair Rally  
 March 9 (Tues) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Sponsored Luncheon for Teachers  
 March Book Fair (March 8<sup>th</sup> – March 12) Volunteers Still Needed  
 Spring Break (April 5-April 9)  
 Star Testing Begins April 19<sup>th</sup> (PTA/Teachers to ask Parents to provide classroom healthy snacks)  
 April 22 (Thurs.) 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Sponsored Luncheon for Teachers  
 April 24 - Walkathon – Volunteers Needed  
 May 18<sup>th</sup> – (Tues) Kindergarten Sponsored Luncheon for Teachers  
 Kinder – Patwin Day (Wed. - June 2)  
 Patwin Day (Friday, June 4)  
 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Grade Night ( June 9<sup>th</sup>)  
 Last Day of School – (June 10)

## Garden/Recycle Corner

With the weather being a bit unpredictable, the garden club is taking a back seat to the rain. But, gardens do love that water and since we've had so much of it, weeding is a bit easier. On Tuesday during lunch recess, weather permitting, in addition to doing a bit of weeding and planting the peas, we will brighten up some areas with donated flower starts from Davis ACE.

This week, Mrs. Hewell's first grade class will be taste-testing the lettuce they planted and enjoying a luscious salad using their school grown lettuce. It should be yummy.

Any parents who want to have garden projects in their classrooms should contact their child's teacher (and me). I have many projects in mind, but the teachers have limited time to devote to gardens. Without a parent helper, they lose the opportunity to take me up on the garden offers. So, please let your teacher know if you want to help with a planting or harvest project. It can be a one time deal, it need not require devoting yourself to a weekly project.

We are continuing our recycling efforts at Patwin. Remember to pack that waste free lunch for as many days as possible.

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