
October 2016 PTA Newsletter



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School Board Candidate Forum at Will Rogers!

The PTA is hosting a **General Meeting on October 18 at 7 pm** that will feature a forum with the *candidates running for school board of the Ventura Unified School District*. We hope many Will Rogers parents will attend the forum to ask questions and learn more about the candidates running for those seats. Invite your friends and neighbors! Childcare and translation will be available.

Jog-A-Thon, Wednesday, October 19th

The Jog-a-thon fundraiser provides the majority of funds needed to support our school's programs. 100% of the money raised goes to our school! Students will have the opportunity to collect donations through the online **PledgeStar** system in addition to the traditional method. Visit www.pledgestar.com/willrogers to create an account. *We also need volunteers to help us make it a great day.* If you haven't already signed up to volunteer, please email or text Rebeca Fassett at willrogersptaprez@gmail.com or 805-901- 6433. If you can't attend, please consider dropping off sliced oranges in the office on the day of the event.

Measure R

Members of the Will Rogers community will be participating in door to door outreach of the neighborhood surrounding our school to educate residents about Measure R. Each walker will visit around 25 homes on the chosen walk day (sometime between October 8th-16th and October 29th-November 7th). If you would like to be a walker, contact Rachel (794-0515/rach.mcclan@gmail.com).

Measure R is a local school improvement measure that will be on the November 8, 2016 Presidential Election ballot. If approved, Measure R will extend the parcel tax initiative passed by voters four years ago (a \$59-per-year tax levied on each parcel of land) for an additional four years. This will provide approximately \$2.2 million annually in locally controlled funding to improve academic programs and retain highly qualified teachers.



Upcoming Events

October 7 & 21

Book Exchange

October 18

PTA General Meeting w/Candidates for School Board

October 19

Jog-a-thon!!!

October 22

C-St Beach Clean Up (by pier)

October 31

Halloween Parade

November 1

Restaurant Night – The Habit on Telephone

November 4

Dia de los Muertos, 5-8pm in Cafeteria

Music Classes

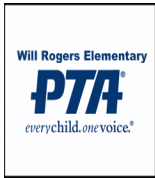
Betsy Manninen is our PTA funded music teacher. K-2 students are enrolled in music classes during the Fall session; grades 3-5 will participate in the Spring.

Mrs. Manninen needs volunteers to help in the music classes! Please contact her at (805) 628-0758 to volunteer.

C St. Beach Clean Up Day

Oct 22 – C. St./Surfer's Point, 9-11am

Join Will Rogers families for our second volunteer event with the Surfrider Foundation to clean up Ventura beaches! All volunteers must sign a liability waiver (found on the WR website or in the office) and anyone under 18 needs adult supervision. RSVP required - please contact Rachel at [794-0515](tel:794-0515) or rach.mcclan@gmail.com.



Congratulations to Francisca Mendoza, parent of Monica Castellanos, who was the winner of PTA's Back to School Night raffle. For giving us her email address, Francisca won a Will Rogers t-shirt! If you are not on our email list, send a message to willrogerspta prez@gmail.com to be added!



Dia de Los Muertos Celebration – Friday, November 4th!

Will Rogers' 3rd Annual Dia de Los Muertos event will be held on November 4th from 5-8 pm. This special Will Rogers event includes dinner and baked goods for purchase, as well as live music by Dueto de Colores, crafts, games, face painting and the opportunity to view ofrendas created by students. It's a fun evening for the whole family! To volunteer, please return the tear off sign up below or contact Julie Salomonson at [818-437-1847](tel:818-437-1847); jsalomonson@yahoo.com.

We are in need of volunteers for our Dia de los Muertos Event!!!

Volunteers needed for:

- Decorating from 2:30 – 5 pm in Cafeteria (10 volunteers)
- Tear Down from 8 pm – finished (10 volunteers)
- Volunteers for Games – (6 volunteers)
- Baked Goods Sales – (requested items include: empanadas, churros, pand de muertos, cakes, cupcakes, cookies)
- Taco Ticket Sales – (3 volunteers)
- Face Painting Ticket Sales – (3 volunteers)
- Popcorn Sales – (6 volunteers)

We also need donations of homemade or purchased baked goods! Please drop off baked goods in office morning of November 4th!! ***Please sign up to volunteer below and return to your child's teacher by October 18th!!!***

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Sign me up! I would like to:

Decorate the cafeteria _____ Tear Down the Cafeteria _____ Donate baked goods _____

(list type of baked good)

Run Games:	from 5-6 pm _____	6-7 pm _____	7-8 pm _____
Sell Baked Goods:	from 5-6 pm _____	6-7 pm _____	7-8 pm _____
Sell Tickets for Tacos:	from 5-6 pm _____	6-7 pm _____	7-8 pm _____
Sell Tickets for Face Painting:	from 5-6 pm _____	6-7 pm _____	7-8 pm _____
Sell Popcorn:	from 5-6 pm _____	6-7 pm _____	7-8 pm _____

Name(s): _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____