



Pilot Knob PTA News

Upcoming Events

⚙️ Book Fair

November 2 - 5
Mon. – Thur., 7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Thur., 5 – 7 p.m.

⚙️ Family Engineering Night

Thursday, November 5
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

⚙️ Wendy's Night

Location: Eagan Wendy's
on Pilot Knob Road
Monday, November 9
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

⚙️ Concerts

1st Grade: 11/17, 6 p.m.
2nd Grade: 11/17, 7 p.m.
3rd Grade: 11/19, 6 p.m.
4th Grade: 11/19, 7 p.m.

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Our 2015 Read-a-thon: Every Student Wins

The October 2015 Pilot Knob Read-a-thon was a great success! The kids did a super job "Read-Read-Reading" and raising money for our school. The first week of November, our volunteers will add up all the minutes read, count up all the funds raised, and prepare for our Read-a-thon prize day on November 11!

On Wednesday the 11th during the school day, all Read-a-thon prizes will be distributed by the PTA:

Students who raised \$150 or more will get to leave class to go play video games in the Game Truck.

Students who read an average of 30 minutes or more per day will get to leave class to go to an art workshop with local author and artist Gary Harbo, where they will create their own creature drawing.



All students who participated in the Read-a-thon will also be selecting prizes based on the amount of reading and fundraising they did. All prizes were donated and include gift certificates, books, posters, stuffed animals and games.

If you would like to help with prize day on November 11, please sign up on our volunteer page at pilotknobpta.my-pta.org.

Mr. Benson's Book Club

Join us on November 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the library for Mr. Benson's Book Club! We're reading ***Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library***, a fun book full of puzzles and plot twists! This book is probably most suited for our 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade readers, although everyone is welcome!

PTA Meeting: Tuesday, 11/3

Join district technology staff, Jim Trebisovsky, for a discussion about technology and safe Internet use, both at school and at home. Learn more about the EmPowerED initiative at www.isd197.org/empowered.

- Free childcare included (feel free to bring a bag lunch for your child)
- 6:00-6:30 – PTA business meeting
- 6:30-7:30 – Internet safety discussion with Jim Trebisovsky, District 197 technology staff
- PTA members and nonmembers welcome!

All About the Book Fair: November 2 – 5

Our first book fair of the school year is the first week in November! Run entirely by volunteers, the book fair earns back roughly 60% of what we sell in books for Pilot Knob. All of the proceeds go directly to new books for the library, classrooms, and students. Book fair hours are Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. and Thursday during Family Engineering Night, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

- Students who turn in their Read-a-thon packets on Monday, November 2, will each get a \$4 gift certificate to spend at the book fair
- Do you know a ***Diary of a Wimpy Kid*** fan? The 10th book in the series, ***Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Old School***, goes on sale November 3. You can buy the book in paperback at our book fair for \$8.99
- You can also participate in the book fair online by visiting <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/pilotknobstemmagnetschool1>

Thank you for the snacks!

A huge thank-you to Peter Olsen (father to Selma, 3rd Grade) for donating snacks to the PTA! These snacks will be available at all of our future PTA events.

Many of the events at our school simply wouldn't happen without parents and other volunteers. No matter your talents, schedule, and interests, we have an opportunity for you! Check out current opportunities on our volunteer page at pilotknobpta.my-pta.org.



Don't Forget!

There is NO SCHOOL on Thursday and Friday, November 12 – 13 and Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, November 25 – 27. **Have a Happy Thanksgiving!**

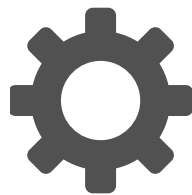


DEADLINE EXTENDED – Order Your PK Yearbook Now

There's still time to order a full-color yearbook for your student. Simply visit ybpay.lifetouch.com and enter School ID Code 1075716. Yearbooks are \$19 with an optional current events insert for an extra \$2. Questions? Email PilotKnobPTA+yearbook@gmail.com.

Yearbook Cover Drawing Contest

Does your child like draw, either by hand or on the computer or iPad? The yearbook is sponsoring a contest for PK students to draw our yearbook cover this year. The contest starts November 2 with all entries due November 11. No yearbook purchase is required to enter. More information will be coming in a backpack flyer soon. Email questions to PilotKnobPTA+yearbook@gmail.com.



Family Engineering Night – Thursday, November 5

Family Engineering Night will take place on Thursday, November 5th, from 5 –7 p.m. This is a free event open to all PK families and friends. We'll have different engineering stations set up for all to learn and explore. Sponsored by the PTA, it's a great way for students to share the engineering design process with family and friends! Please consider volunteering to supervise one (or more) of our stations! Just visit our volunteer page at pilotknobpta.my-pta.org to sign up.

Wendy's Night – Monday, November 9

It's Happy Hour for kids! Join us at the Eagan Wendy's (on Pilot Knob Road) on Monday, November 9 from 5 – 7 p.m. for dinner. Wendy's will donate a percentage of their earnings from that night's sales to our Kindergarten classrooms. Too busy? Drive-through orders are included, too. **When you place your order, please let the Wendy's staff know that you're there for Pilot Knob.**

"Give to the Max Day" – Wednesday, November 12

Give to the Max Day (#GTMD15) is coming up fast! On November 12, join your fellow Minnesotans in raising much-needed funds for the nonprofits and schools like ours that make our communities stronger. To donate to the Pilot Knob PTA on Give to the Max Day, visit our Pilot Knob page at givemn.org: <https://givemn.org/organization/Pta-Minnesota-Congress-30530>.

BOX TOP WINNERS! Congratulations to Ms. Danmeier's 1st Graders!

630 Box Tops + 159 Labels for Education + 3 Tyson A+ labels = a popcorn party for Ms. Danmeier's lucky 1st Grade class. Their grand total of 792 box tops/labels was the highest of any Pilot Knob classroom this year. Together, all Pilot Knob students collected 4,509 box tops and labels. This translates to funding for Pilot Knob, as well as academic, athletic, and arts supplies all students can enjoy.

Start saving box tops and labels now for our spring contest – and we'll see if we can beat our 4,509 fall total!

