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**Walnut Acres Elementary**  
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### **Innisbrook Gift Wrap Fundraiser**



**Deadline extended to  
Monday, October 12!**

The Innisbrook Gift Wrap Fundraiser is going on now!  
It's time to stock up on high quality gift wrap, gift

### **Report an Absence**

[Click here to report an absence](#)

### **Dates to Remember**

Sept 21 - Oct 12:  
Innisbrook Gift Wrap Fundraiser

Sat Oct 10:  
Community Service Day

Tues Oct 20:  
PFC Meeting - 8:15 am - Library

Oct 22 - 24:  
The Lion King 3rd and 4th Grade

Sun, Oct 25:  
School Carnival

Visit the Walnut Acres online  
[calendar](#) for future dates.

### **Enews Release Dates**

**Next Enews Release**  
Monday, October 19

**Articles Due**  
Wednesday, October 14

Visit the [PFC website](#) for Enews  
guidelines and schedule.

Submit articles to  
[enews@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:enews@walnutacrespfc.net)

bags, fun gifts and more for the holidays and throughout the year. Be sure to tell your family, friends and neighbors! This is a great opportunity to support Walnut Acres - **50% of product price goes to the Walnut Acres PFC.**

New this year: a simple ordering process! Just take orders, collect payment and turn in to the school office. That's it! Pick up items, including incentive prizes, at Walnut Acres in November.

For out-of-town family and friends, share the online link via email or social media.

[www.innisbrook.com/user/126175](http://www.innisbrook.com/user/126175)

Online purchases will be shipped directly to the customer and your child will receive prize credit for online sales.

**Please complete orders by Monday, October 12th.** Happy shopping!

Questions? Email [giftwrap@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:giftwrap@walnutacrespfc.net)

### Community Service Day at Walnut Acres

## Community Service Day

**Sign up now... several spots at Walnut Acres are still available!**  
**Saturday, October 10!**  
**9:00 am - noon**

The City of Walnut Creek's Community Service Day is **this Saturday** and you can help out by signing up to do your community service right here at Walnut Acres Elementary School!

Registration is open at the [City of Walnut Creek website](#). Campus gardening clean up work and library & classroom book sorting projects will be offered, as well as a few light cleaning projects. The library slots are filling up, but there are teachers that need help with book sorting in their classrooms. You may register yourself under our gardening project and we can move you to a different project on CS day, as needed. Any amount of time given is greatly needed and appreciated! If you can only be there for two hours, please come help!

You must register through the City of Walnut Creek (see link above) for each adult participating. The city needs a headcount of all volunteers regardless of how many hours you plan to volunteer.

To sign up to work specifically at Walnut Acres, look for

### Quick Links

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[District Website](#)

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[Enews submission deadlines](#)

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### Ongoing Fundraisers



Walnut Acres  
**JAGUAR  
FUND**

[Jaguar Fund](#)



[Register with eScrip today](#)

### SHOP AND EARN FOR SCHOOL

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more details about how you can SHOP and EARN for Walnut Acres



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[Box Tops 4 Education](#)

Earn cash for our school!  
Collect Box Tops and drop them in the collection bin in the office.

our school's events:

**under Libraries, look for "Walnut Acres School Library Project"**

**OR**

**under Schools, look for "Walnut Acres Gardening and Campus Spruce-up." You will have to scroll down to find them.**

More information is available [here](#). Sign up now to join our Jaguar Community in giving our wonderful school a little TLC!

**Dara Schwartz Buzzard** and **Courtney Wasserman**,  
Co-Chairs representing Walnut Acres.

### **PFC Monthly Meeting**

Our next PFC meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 20th, at 8:15 AM in the school library.**



**Please note the new meeting time!**

In an effort to allow more people to attend, we will be holding a few morning meetings. So after you drop-off your children, come on over to the library to hear about all of the many activities going on around Walnut Acres.

As always, our principal Dr. Dowd will be there to update us on the state of our school. All Walnut Acres parents are encouraged to attend!

### **The Lion King**



Curtains Up Youth Theatre presents  
**The Lion King Kids**  
performed by Walnut Acres 3rd and 4th graders.

Show times and dates are:

**Thursday, October 22 at 6:30** with a meet and greet the actors (in costume) to follow

**Friday, October 23 at 7:00**

**Saturday, October 24 at 7:00**

Tickets will be sold at the door for \$8/ticket (general seating). The box office will open 1 hour prior to the show time and the doors to the theatre will open

approximately 20 minutes before the show.

**Come watch our tremendously talented kids!**

### **Fall Carnival - Sunday, October 25**



Join your friends for a fun-filled family day at the **Walnut Acres Carnival!** October 25th from 12 - 4 pm

Our day will kick off with a **costume parade** at 11:45 led by Dr. Dowd.

**Buy your wristbands early and save!** the Unlimited Play Wristband is just \$12 pre-sale or \$15 the day of the carnival. Wristbands include unlimited carnival game play, one pumpkin from the pumpkin patch, a slice of pizza, chips, a drink, and choice of cotton candy or popcorn. Individual game tickets will also be available for \$1 each. The Class Pumpkin Raffle tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10.

**Pre-sale wristbands can be purchased online now or on campus on October 20 & 21 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm in front of the office.** Please note: pre-sale wristbands will be available for pickup on the day of the carnival in the Will Call line.

**We are looking for additional volunteers to help out the day of the event.** Check out **Konstella** or email **carnival@walnutacrespfc.net** for a list of volunteer opportunities.

**We would also appreciate donations of gently used books** that will be used as prizes for the carnival games. You can leave your donated books in the boxes that will be placed outside the office.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at the Carnival!

### **Parents on Campus - Please Get a Visitor Pass**

It is important that all parents sign-in at the office and obtain a visitor pass if they are visiting on campus after the bell rings. Even if you are dropping something off at your child's backpack or classroom, without a pass, the parent is a stranger to children who do not know who they are.



We appreciate your cooperation in helping to make Walnut Acres a safe environment for our students and your children.

## Student Emergency Food Kits

Every student must have an **Emergency Food Kit** available in their classroom.



If you did not order a pre-made kit, or have not provided your child's own kit already, **please send a**

**quart-size zip lock baggy with 4-5 non perishable items.** The items must be able to withstand being stacked in a box with other kits, and last through June 2016. These kits will only be accessed in case of an emergency.

**Please include the following info on a piece of paper inside each of your student's baggie:**

Student Last Name

Student First Name

Teacher

Current Grade

Classroom

Parent (s) First and Last Name (s) and Phone #'s

2 Additional Emergency Contact names & Phone #'s

**Please have your student (s) deliver their kit to their teacher as soon as possible.**

If you are not sure if you paid for a pre-made kit, or delivered a kit from home already, please check with your student's teacher.

## Seeking Lunch Patrol Volunteers

**Volunteers!**



Do you miss your kids during the day?

Then volunteer for Lunch Patrol! **We**

**ask that each family volunteer for Lunch Patrol at least 3 times over the course of the school year.**

Lunch Patrol/First Aid volunteers assist at lunch and recess between 11:20 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and it's a great way to visit with the kids while helping out the school.

Sign up on [Konstella](#) or email [lunchpatrol@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:lunchpatrol@walnutacrespfc.net).

Details about Lunch Patrol responsibilities can be found on the [Lunch Patrol page](#) of the PFC website.

**Shop and Earn for Walnut Acres**

Thanks for supporting Walnut Acres Elementary!  
Together, we can make a big difference!

### **Box Tops for Education**

All those box tops add up to easy money for Walnut Acres, so please check those boxes before you recycle!



Now Supporters can go directly to the **eScrip Online Mall** and earn for Walnut Acres. Anyone can earn for our school - even if they are not enrolled with eScrip - they can click on the link, shop or download AutoEARN, and earn anonymously!



Please note that Safeway has ended their participation with eScrip as of August 1st, 2015. We still have other ways to SHOP and EARN for WANUT ACRES!

### **Sports Basement**

When you check out at Sports Basement, tell them you are a Walnut Acres family. You will get a 10% discount off your purchase and Sports Basement will donate another percentage to the school



### **Amazon Smile**

Amazon will now donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases



to **Parent Faculty Club of Walnut Acres**

**Elementary School** when you shop at AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)). Just log into your account and it will automatically donate every time you purchase from [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com).

### **Target Red Card**

Target's Red Card program allows its customers to earn a 5% discount and raise money for Walnut Acres on all purchases. Signing up is easy. Just go to <http://www.target.com/redcard/main>.

Please visit the [Shop and Earn page](#) on the PFC website for more information about more ways to we can shop and earn for our school. If you have any questions, please email Monica Chang or Erin Roeder at [escrip@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:escrip@walnutacrespfc.net).

**[www.walnutacrespfc.net](http://www.walnutacrespfc.net)**

If you haven't bookmarked it already, please bookmark the **[Walnut Acres PFC website](#)**.





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This site is run by WA parents and is a great source of up to date information about all of the activities at Walnut Acres!

### **Konstella - Online Parent Directory**

Don't forget to sign up for **Konstella**, our new, private [Online Parent Directory](#).



Room Parents, please make sure to invite all parents in your class, so they don't miss out on important school and class information. Parents, be sure to click to join in order to have your contact info listed in the directory.

Join by [clicking here](#) today! And, we highly recommend the **free Konstella phone app**. It brings your classroom and school signups, announcements, and directory all to one at-a-glance spot, and you can ask quick questions in your class Chatroom.

### **Volunteer Fingerprinting Information**



Volunteers are a vital part of Walnut Acres, but only authorized volunteers are able to participate in classrooms and on campus. The MDUSD website offers more [volunteer information](#).

If you have not been fingerprinted yet, please call 682-8000, Ext. 4153 to schedule an appointment. Download the [volunteer form](#) from the MDUSD site.

Bring your TB test results and cash or check to your appointment.

### **Community Announcements**



[Community Announcements](#) on the PFC Website give details about the latest events happening in and around our community. Swim season is coming!

To learn how to advertise your activity or event, go to the [PFC website](#).

diligently to see that these activities are not limited by physical access barriers, thereby ensuring the opportunity for participation by all in these activities.

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