



**WALNUT ACRES**  
Jaguars

**ENEWS**

**Walnut Acres Elementary**  
Nationally Recognized  
Blue Ribbon School 2005

180 Cerezo Drive  
Walnut Creek, CA 94598  
(925) 939 1333

## January 19, 2016

In this issue...

[Science Fair](#)

[Winter Enrichment Classes](#)

[TK and K Registration](#)

[CoLab Feasibility Team](#)

[Auction Ticket Sales](#)

[School Spirit Day](#)

[Box Tops for Education](#)

[Art Show](#)

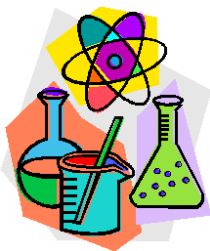
[Spirit Wear and Year Books](#)

[Jaguar Fund Donors Circle](#)

[Lunch Patrol](#)

[Community Announcements](#)

### Science Fair: February 4



### 2016 Science Fair February 4th!

The Science Fair display boards were given to teachers on January 14 for distribution to those kids who requested them. If you didn't receive

### Report an Absence

[Click here to report an absence](#)

### Dates to Remember

Wed, Jan 20:  
3rd Grade Performance: Go Fish!

Fri, Jan 22:  
No School - Teacher In-Service  
Day

Thur, Feb 4:  
Science Fair

Tues, Feb 23:  
PFC Meeting - 7 pm in the library

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

### Enews Release Dates

**Next Enews Release**  
Monday, February 1

**Articles Due**  
Wednesday, January 27

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

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

### Quick Links

yours (please check with any partners your child is working with to see if they received it), or if you forgot to request one but need it, please let us know by emailing [sciencefair@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:sciencefair@walnutacrespfc.net). Boards will be distributed again on Wednesday, January 21 for any late entrants or anyone missing boards, so don't worry - you will get your board.

A big shout out to all those who donated to the Science Fair! In particular the 5th grade was very generous, we sure appreciate the support!!

Last and most importantly...

We desperately need volunteers. We can't run the Science Fair without the help of volunteers. Judging in particular is wide open. Please respond to our [Konstella request](#) or send a message to [sciencefair@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:sciencefair@walnutacrespfc.net) if you are able to assist. Thanks in advance for your help!!

Do you still have questions? Please contact science fair coordinators Janine Brown or Lissa Biddle at [sciencefair@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:sciencefair@walnutacrespfc.net).

### After School Enrichment Classes

Winter Trimester is here and we have some great After School classes lined up for your kids. From chess to science, cooking to Spanish, medicine to math - there's something for everyone!



The Winter session will run from February 1 through March 24. **Registration is open now!** The PFC website has been updated and the complete schedule and registration forms can be found on the [PFC Enrichment page](#).

As in the past, no forms should be sent to, nor checks made payable to the PFC; **registration forms and checks should be sent directly to the class vendors.**

If you have questions, please email [enrichment@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:enrichment@walnutacrespfc.net).

### Transitional Kinder and Kindergarten Registration

Please help us spread the word about **Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten registration** for the 2016-2017 school year.

[Walnut Acres Website](#)

[District Website](#)

[Walnut Acres PFC Website](#)

[Walnut Acres School Calendar](#)

[Enews submission deadlines](#)

[Community News: sign-ups, teams & local events](#)

[Lunch menu](#)

[Special Thanks To](#)

### Ongoing Fundraisers



Walnut Acres  
**JAGUAR  
FUND**

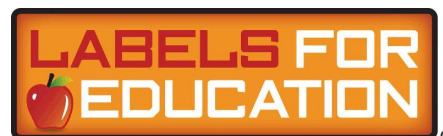
[Jaguar Fund](#)



[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



ARTS • ATHLETICS • ACADEMICS

[Labels for Education](#)



[Box Tops 4 Education](#)  
Earn cash for our school!

Collect Box Tops and drop them in the collection bin in the office.



**Tuesday, January 19:**  
**Registration packets** are available in the school office.

**Monday, February 1: TK & K Orientation Meeting** from 6:00 - 7:00pm in the Multi-Use Room

(MUR). The Mt Diablo Unified School District representative, Kim Koppenhaver-Klute, and our Walnut Acres TK and Kindergarten teachers will share information pertaining to our Walnut Acres TK & K programs. **Time slots for Registration day will be issued at this meeting.**

**Tuesday, February 2: TK & K Registration in the Library**

9:00am - 11:00am by appointment  
1:00pm - 3:00pm by appointment

Please bring all Registration materials as specified in the Registration Packet. More information is available on the [Walnut Acres website](#).

**CoLab Feasibility Team Meeting**

If you are interested in being part of our new **CoLab Feasibility Team**, please join us on Wednesday, January 27 from 8:00 - 10:00 am in the Library. This will be a short-lived group designed to:



1. Learn about the function and potential costs of a new building (CoLab) designed to support open student work spaces, a more interactive, student-centered library, and a design lab and other spaces available for student collaboration.
2. Find funding for a Feasibility Study if the team chooses to proceed with the CoLab.

We could really use the help of parents who have designed or worked in similar spaces at their schools or workplaces, as well as those of you who have experience raising funds.

Call Colleen Dowd at 939-1333 for further information.

**Ticket Sales: Grape Gatsby Auction**

We are so excited to celebrate Walnut Acres with you at **The Grape Gatsby Gala, Friday, March 4 at the Concord Hilton.**



Purchase your tickets soon to ensure your seat at the **Auction Website**. You can also take a peek at the **live auction items** that are included in the \$50 live auction raffle. You could win one some fantastic prizes by purchasing a raffle ticket (or two) now!

We may not be short on rain these days, but we are definitely experiencing a shortage of wine!

Please drop off **wine donations** at Erin Eyerly's home at 520 Dover Drive by January 31.

Additionally we are seeking some **helpers for the event day!** Volunteers are needed for set-up, at the party, and for closing. This is a fun opportunity to help Walnut Acres while spending time with friends! Please email **auctionparty@walnutacrespfc.net** if you are available to help!

Thank you for your continued generosity!  
Your 2016 Grape Gatsby Auction Team

### Friday, January 29th: Fandom Day

Show your school spirit on Friday, January 29th by dressing up in or as your favorite celebrity, team, movie or book character.



Whether it be professional or college teams, Star wars or pop star, just to name a few, show your enthusiasm for Walnut Acres Student Council by participating.

### Turn in your Box Tops by the end of February



Did you know you can save your box tops and help Walnut Acres PFC earn some money? **Here are some of the products** that you may use every day that have Box Tops. Just collect them and turn them in to the Box Tops Bin in the office.

Our next big submission of Box Tops is due at the end of February. Please send in any box tops you have to your child's teacher or put them in the box in the office. Our fall submissions earned over \$600 for Walnut Acres.

If you wish to attach to a sheet, you can get one in the school office. You can also just put your box tops in an

envelope or baggie with your child's name and class on it. Just drop them in the Box Tops Bin in the Office. There will be a small prize awarded to one lucky person chosen at random.

### Art Show 2016

**Save the Date:  
Art Show 2016  
Thursday, April 14th**



The MUR will be transformed into a **Museum of Modern Art** featuring our very own Walnut Acres student artists! All are encouraged to submit their creations. For information and to register, go to [Art Show](#).

If you'd like to volunteer or have any questions please contact Arsinoe Ferry at 510-206-0712 or [arsinoe66@gmail.com](mailto:arsinoe66@gmail.com).

### Spirit Wear and Year Books



#### Spirit Wear

It's not too late to show your Jaguar spirit! We have just a few items still available for sale:  
Large youth hoodie \$25

Large youth t-shirt \$15

Medium youth t-shirt \$15.

Email [spiritwear@walnutacrespfc.net](mailto:spiritwear@walnutacrespfc.net), if interested.

#### Yearbooks

The yearbook team is snapping away, capturing our students' best moments, and working hard to get the 2015-2016 yearbook ready! If you have photos you'd like to share, please check out the [Yearbook page](#) on the PFC website.

If you have not ordered a yearbook yet, its time! To order, submit a check for \$30 made payable to WAPFC, and drop it (in a sealed envelope) in the box labeled "Yearbook" in the front office. Make sure to include your child's name, grade, and teacher.

### Jaguar Fund Donors Circle

**Thank you to all our wonderful Jaguar Fund Donors!**

Click to view the [Donors Circle](#) on the PFC website.

We did our best to list names as written on the Jaguar Day form, and to catch all who checked the "anonymous" box. And, it's never too late to [donate directly](#) to the Walnut Acres PFC Jaguar Fund.



### Seeking Lunch Patrol 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.

### Community Announcements

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

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

Mt. Diablo Unified School District welcomes the participation of all students, parents, and community members in all District sponsored activities conducted on campuses or off-site. The District will work diligently to see that these activities are not limited by physical access barriers, thereby ensuring the opportunity for participation by all in these activities.



Try it FREE today.