

Accelerated Reader: Barbara Molnar molnarb@nc.rr.com

This year-long program encourages reading by rewarding students for scoring well on computerized reading comprehension quizzes on books they have read. The committee maintains the student score database, helps students with the AR tests before school, and awards prizes.

AG KITS: Melissa Sipek (staff) msipek@wcpss.net

This committee works with the Academically Gifted Resource Teacher to prepare and stock kits for use by students in grades K-2 who need or want additional enrichment in a particular subject.

Book Fair: Ruth Alvarez ruth@patwaysforpeople.org

Usually held in the fall, the media center coordinates a large book sale with a vendor & the teachers. Volunteers are needed to help set-up, stock shelves & process book sales. Proceeds from this fundraiser benefit the WES media center.

Building & Grounds: Jennifer Ellerbee dyanjen@aol.com

Meets to maintain the memorial gardens & flowerbeds at WES. Join this committee & burn some calories, build strong bones, get a work out while meeting other WES parents.

Character Education: Katherine Oden (staff)

Promotes the monthly WCPSS character trait throughout the school year. Volunteers are needed to make this a meaningful, fun program that encourages kindness, respect, courage, kindness, responsibility, self-discipline, integrity, perseverance & good judgment among our WES students.

Chorus Boosters: Ella McGaughey ella.a.mcgaughey@gsk.com

Working closely with the music teacher, this committee supports the activities of the 4th and 5th grade chorus, as they perform at WES and at other locations throughout the area.

Community Helper Day: Beth Satterfield beth.satterfield@gmail.com

This is a fun educational event held during the fall that introduces our younger elementary school children to our various “helpers” in our community. Firefighters (on their fire truck), policemen, trash collection services, etc. are all here! Volunteers needed to “man” the different stations, navigate the children & supply goodies to the helpers!

Coupon Books: Patty Richey mrickey3@nc.rr.com

In the fall, coupon books are made available to families to purchase or sell to others.

Cultural Arts: Letha Muhammad lazzubair@att.net

Each grade level will enjoy performing arts opportunities chosen from a selection at the United Arts Council kick-off at the beginning of the school year. This committee coordinates these performances.

Dining For Dollar\$: Kathleen Piazza kjpiazza@nc.rr.com

This is a quarterly fundraising event held at local eating establishments. Volunteers contact establishments to book events & help coordinate/staff as needed for related activities. WES PTA receives a percentage of the proceeds from purchases made by WES families.

Fall Fundraiser: Kathleen Piazza kjpiazza@nc.rr.com

The largest PTA fundraising campaign. Students have a sales brochure that they use to solicit sales. Volunteers check the orders & deliver the processed orders to the students once they arrive at the school.

Family Nights: seeking Co-Chairs for this committee

These are family events to be held on a Friday evening twice during the school year (fall & Jan/Feb). Dinner is served for one hour & then the fun activities, normally Bingo, begin.

Fifth Grade Activities: seeking Co-Chairs for this committee

Parents of 5th grade students plan activities particular to that grade level throughout the year, such as the Recognition Ceremony at the end of the year, the 5th Grade Picnic, the 5th Grade group photo and a gift to the school from the class.

Health and PE Activities (Assist WES PE staff): Tracy Reilly tracyreilly@gmail.com

Help PE department with various events such as Jump Rope for Heart, Field Day, and First in Fitness.

Hospitality: Janet May jhvm@nc.rr.com

This committee coordinates hospitality services for PTA sponsored events such as the holiday program, talent show, tissue & tea, fall cleanup & the teacher's luncheon. Also, remembers staff birthdays throughout the year.

Hurricanes Tickets: Bill Schoeffler whschoeffler@netscape.net

Promotes and coordinates ticket sales for Carolina Hurricanes games.

Info Sign: seeking Chairperson for this committee

Keeps the sign at the front door of the school updated with daily and weekly activities and news.

International Night: Kim Hunt kimhunt@aol.com

Highlights the many nationalities represented at WES. The committee assists the WES staff member who coordinates most activities for the event.

Jump Rope Team: Viji Saxena sanjayviji@mindspring.com

Meets once a week to instruct participants on jump rope tricks (double dutch, etc.)

Legislative: Katie Duzan katie.duzan@gmail.com

A representative from WES tries to attend district meetings, School Board meetings, etc. and report back on items of interest to WES. Set up voting for the students in the presidential election.

Lost and Found: Shelia Martin mwmsam@bellsouth.net

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Media Center Volunteers: Ruth Alvarez ruth@pathwaysforpeople.org

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Merchant Fundraising: Maret Jones maretjones@nc.rr.com

Students collect labels from specially marked food products & parents can shop at participating stores to earn school credits. These credits can later be used to purchase school equipment. Primarily we need volunteers to cut labels according to specifications.

Newsletter: Beth Satterfield beth.satterfield@gmail.com

The *Explorer Express* is a weekly publication, coming home each Tuesday throughout the school year to provide parents with information about everything going on at WES. Two Co-Editors and two Distribution Managers provide this weekly service. Submissions are due by noon on Thursdays to explorerwes@yahoo.com.

Picture Day: Beth Campbell thecampbells@prodigy.net

Assist the photographer with lining up children for their pictures twice a year.

Pizza Hut-Book-It/Read A Thon: Debbie Herget herget@rti.org

Committee coordinates & oversees this read-a-thon which takes place throughout March. Children log all of their reading hours & are awarded at the end with – what else – Pizza!

Popcorn Parties: seeking Chairperson for this committee

Will visit classrooms with the PTA popcorn machine to offer a treat for such events like Fun Fridays.

Recycling: seeking Chairperson for this committee

We collect used ink cartridges to turn in for cash for the school.

Red Ribbon Week: Martha Frank (staff) seeking Co-Chair for this committee

This is a national event usually held in October to promote a united effort to keep students drug-free. Volunteers help with decorations, canned food collections, & judging. Most of the volunteer time takes place immediately before & after school.

Reflections Program: Beth Campbell thecampbells@prodigy.net

This is a local, state & national arts competition focusing on visual arts, literature, music & photography. The committee will publicize this competition, obtain judges & coordinate the judging in each category, arrange awards & an award ceremony, & send winning entries to the county competition.

Room Parent Coordinator: Chris Naughton 12christine@bellsouth.net

Will mostly act as liaison between the room parents & the teachers, various committees, etc to make sure that all the lines of communication are open!

School Store: Kim Hunt kimhunt@aol.com

Open on most Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:45 to 9:05 a.m., the School Store, located in hallway outside the Guidance Office, offers pens, pencils, erasers, key chains, notebook paper and even recorders for music class.

School Supplies: Nichelle Weintraub naberry@mindspring.com

Parents may pre-purchase in the spring all school supplies needed for the following year. It's one-stop shopping for busy parents, and any profits help the PTA.

Science Day: seeking a Chairperson for this committee

Committee coordinates speakers/exhibitions for Science Day for grades K-2.

Science Fair: Emmeline Igboekwe emmelinei@nc.rr.com

Committee organizes and supervises the exhibits for the 3-5 grades.

Sound System: Barry Daly barry.daly@pergo.com

This committee is trained in the set-up and running of the sound system at events for the school.

Spirit Wear: Sue Reilly syreilly@nc.rr.com

T-shirts, car magnets and other WES items are sold in the fall to promote school spirit throughout the year.

Spring Carnival: Barbara Taylor ckmtay@hotmail.com

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Talent Show: Heather Blythe pblythe@nc.rr.com **seeking a Co-Chair for this committee**

Usually held in the spring to highlight the many talents of our students at WES. The committee will coordinate performers, rehearsals, & decorate the stage for the performance. Work for this committee takes place from Dec/Jan until the talent show in the spring.

Webmaster: Jim Farrell jimpfarrell@nc.rr.com

The webmaster manages all of the information on the PTA website and keeps it current.

WEShare: Sue Reilly syreilly@nc.rr.com

A new program at WES, where families help other families in time of need.

Yearbook: Terri Harlow tharlow@nc.rr.com

Parent volunteers take photographs throughout the year for use in the yearbook. Anyone with an interest in photography is encouraged to join this group of volunteers.