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### **ATTENTION: ALL NEW FAMILIES! NEWCOMERS SOCIAL SEPT. 10**

You are invited to be a part of the Connecting Families Program. The Wyatt Community is a wonderful place for our kids to learn and grow. It is also a great place for parents. The Connecting Families Program was created to provide a smooth transition to Wyatt for you and your family. Please join us for the Connecting Families Social, Thursday, September 10, at 6 pm in the cafeteria. Each new family will be matched up with a mentor family. Our mentor families are eager to help you get acquainted with Wyatt. New families, please sign up here if you are able to join us:

[www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cadae2baafe3-connecting2](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cadae2baafe3-connecting2)

### **Mentor Families Needed!**

If you would like to be a mentor family and help a new family with their transition, please sign up and join us on the 10th: [www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cadae2baafe3-connecting](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cadae2baafe3-connecting)  
Please contact Jenn McCrea at [jdmccrea1@gmail.com](mailto:jdmccrea1@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

### **#TECHFORWYATT**

So far, we have had more than 40 families support our technology campaign, raising over \$4,000 - a good start, but we have a long way to go to meet the needs of the teachers and students! This initiative to get tablets in the classrooms will be funded entirely by the Wyatt community (not Plano ISD), so we are relying on your support! Donate online at [pisd.parentconnect.net](http://pisd.parentconnect.net) or bring a check (payable to Wyatt PTA) to the school. Contact Esther Rutnam at [fundraising@wyattpta.org](mailto:fundraising@wyattpta.org) with questions.

### **WYATT COMMUNICATIONS**

Having trouble sorting out the difference between Parent Connect and the Parent Portal? Never heard of the Back To School Wizard? Not sure where to find the PTA and school websites? Don't know what social media accounts we have? Check out the communications flyer at the bottom of this eNews to learn all you need to know. Get connected! Stay informed! Contact Lisa Mendiola at [communications@wyattpta.org](mailto:communications@wyattpta.org).

## **BACK TO SCHOOL WIZARD**

If you haven't already checked out our PTA's convenient Back To School Wizard online system, now is the time! Log in at [pisd.parentconnect.net/portal/wyeppta/backtoschool](http://pisd.parentconnect.net/portal/wyeppta/backtoschool) to get all of your PTA business done in one easy step: buy spirit wear, order yearbooks, donate to #techforwyatt, join PTA, sign up to volunteer, enter your directory information, and more! Contact Sarita Venkatraman at [president@wyattpta.org](mailto:president@wyattpta.org) with questions.

## **LET'S HELP OUR KINDERGARTEN PARENTS - LUNCH DUTY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Remember when your child was in kindergarten and you wanted to make sure they had a happy experience in the lunch room? Let's make sure our newest Walaroos have the same experience! Kindergarten parents cannot cover lunch duty for the first few weeks - please take a moment to sign up for a lunch duty slot: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4fa9ab2daa8-kindergarten>. Thank you! Questions? Contact Ilene [volunteers@wyattpta.org](mailto:volunteers@wyattpta.org).

## **PWHS MINI ROYALE DRILL TEAM GAME NIGHT**

Calling all girls grade K-5 to show your Wolfpack spirit and join the award winning Plano West Royales drill team on the field for pre-game and first quarter fun! You can choose Friday, Sept 25th (game) and Saturday, Sept 26th (clinic and show) to participate in this Royale fundraiser. All participants receive a Mini Royale t-shirt with registration! Print the attached flyer, visit [www.royales.org](http://www.royales.org), or contact [kim.pfeiffer@yahoo.com](mailto:kim.pfeiffer@yahoo.com) to register. Go Wolves!

### **Note from Mrs. Hentges**

Dear Wyatt Families,

Thank you for the smooth transition from summer vacation to the first day of school! It's wonderful to have students fill our halls again! We'll be sending home some tuckered out Wallaroos at 2:45 today!

**Let's Talk Car Pool:** Those of you who are experienced know that carpool is a process, and as the weeks pass, it will become increasingly more efficient. We really appreciate your patience. We have worked out a plan for dismissal this year which will be similar to the past, but you may notice a few differences.

- Students will walk out with an assigned teacher and will go to a specific location each day.
- The K-2 walkers will sit in the foyer by the gym door entrance.
- Gifford Carpool will have students sitting with their grade level and will walk to a cone when parent is in view
- Each group will be supervised by a teacher and we will ask the students to sit with their group until you arrive. Students will be asked to sit while waiting, devices and snacks will have to wait until parent arrives.
- Please remember that the law does not allow cell phone use while in the carpool line; we ask that you refrain from being on your cell phone for the safety of our students.
- Color-coded signs will be sent home today for you to print your child's name and grade on; this should be visible in your window as you come through the carpool line

**Dismissal:** Dismissal is a critical part of the day and teachers do everything in their power to make sure students are in the right place. You can imagine that it takes quite a bit of logistics to get it right. Sometimes your afterschool plan changes and when it does, we ask that you notify us immediately. If you do so by 2:00 we can almost guarantee that we can notify all who need to know. If you call after 2:00, we will do our best, but cannot guarantee it. There are so many variables that impact our ability to take care of this when there is really late notice.

If you send an email alerting the teacher of the change, please copy Geri White and Debbie Spangler. That way, if there is a substitute, others in the building will know of the change.

**Let's Talk Lunch:** In an effort to make sure all students have eaten their lunch as close to 12:00 as possible, we have revamped our lunch schedule a bit. We will have some overlap of grade levels in the cafeteria simultaneously. This will require a few new procedures, extra supervision by teachers, and practice for the students so they can adjust!

For all those reasons, we will have student only lunch until Tuesday, September 22. Please allow us the next few weeks to get our new system in place! We really appreciate it.

- Open House - Thursday, August 27

1st Grade 6:00 - 6:45

3rd Grade 6:45 - 7:15

4th Grade 7:15 - 7:45

- Open House - Tuesday, September 1

Kinder 6:00 - 6:45

2nd Grade 6:45 - 7:15

5th Grade 7:15 - 7:45

Follow us @wyattlearns

Also:

Sign up for Remind to get updates from Mrs. Hentges about school-wide activities and announcements; Text to 81010 and in the message type @wyattf

We are striving to keep you informed!

Mrs. Hentges

### **Notes from the Art Teacher:**

Greetings from the art room! I'm excited for this new adventure and for the opportunity to teach each of your wonderful children.

Two things:

1. Please follow us and see what's going on in the art room! We're on Instagram and Twitter @wyattartstudio

2. I'm in need of used men's dress shirts for 'smocks.' Please donate throughout the year as daddy retires his old dress shirts.

If you have any questions or would ever like to volunteer to help out with big projects, email me at [tara.vaughn@pisd.edu](mailto:tara.vaughn@pisd.edu)