



# Paw Prints

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF WILSON'S PARENT TEACHER GROUP (PTG)

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### MARCH PTG MEETING

- **March 8, 7-8 pm**
- [Zoom link](#)

### 80'S DAY

- **Feb. 25, all-day**
- **Dress like the 1980's**

### 1:45 PM EARLY RELEASE FRIDAY

- **March 18**

### WILSON TALENT SHOW

- **March 25, 6:30 pm**
- **Wilson Gym**

### WILSON DRAMA CLUB WIZARD OF OZ AUDITIONS

- **March 22-23, after school**
- **4th-6th graders**

## BOOK BINGO OPEN HOUSE - TONIGHT, FEB. 22 6:30-8:00 PM, WILSON GYM

Come play bingo in this open-house-style event! Winners select books as take-home prizes. Fun for the whole family.

Cost: Free! Please consider donating gently used books for the prize table.

In accordance with public health regulations, masks required.



## CENTENNIAL GEAR - ORDERS DUE FEB 28



Purchase t-shirts, hoodies, hats, & stickers celebrating Wilson's 100th birthday before they are gone.

If your child is new to Wilson this year, you qualify for a discounted t-shirt. Contact Carly Howarth, [carlyh@spokaneschools.org](mailto:carlyh@spokaneschools.org), for a promo code.

Purchase by Feb. 28 at

<https://wilsonptg.ejoinme.org/centennial>

## STAY UP TO DATE ON WILSON EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES

Wilson has an easy-to-read online calendar that contains important school district dates, school-planned events, and PTG happenings. To view the calendar, visit [spokaneschools.org/Page/220#calendar2365/](https://spokaneschools.org/Page/220#calendar2365/)

Import the calendar feed into any online calendar that supports iCal by [following these instructions](#).



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## STAY CONNECTED

Wilson Elementary - Home of the Wildcats

## YOU ARE INVITED: MARCH PTG MEETING

All are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in the monthly virtual PTG meetings. We meet each month on the 2nd Tuesday. Grab your favorite beverage and log in!

Agenda and supporting documents to be sent out via email the week prior to the meeting. The most recent meeting minutes follow at the end of the newsletter.

**March 8**

**7:00-8:00pm**

**Online via Zoom:**

Meeting ID: 863 2266 5646

Password: 20212022

**[us02web.zoom.us/j/86322665646?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86322665646?pwd=VXhRVHdlalRMd3YlOUtha3lVRDZldz09)**  
**[pwd=VXhRVHdlalRMd3YlOUtha3lVRDZldz09](#)**

## WANT TO ADD AN AGENDA ITEM TO AN UPCOMING MEETING?



Please fill out a simple form to have your agenda item considered. Complete the form by the 1st Tuesday of the month in order to be added to the next PTG meeting agenda.

Form available at: [forms.gle/Hu2g7dNGdUSmwwf26](https://forms.gle/Hu2g7dNGdUSmwwf26)

## MARCH 24: PARENT'S NIGHT OUT AT FLATSTICK PUB!

**Thursday, March 24, 6:00-9:00 pm**

**Flatstick Pub, 618 W. Main Ave**

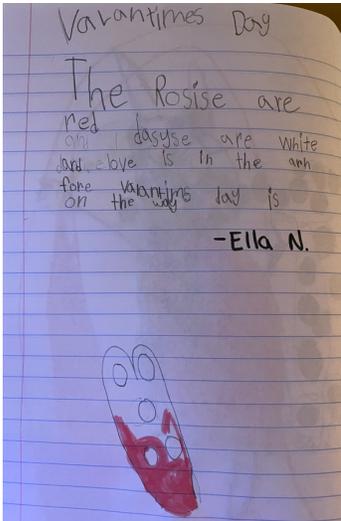
Line up a sitter for your kiddos and join us for a Thursday evening of fun with other Wilson adults. We will enjoy an evening of food, drinks, and miniature golf. \$10 suggested donation covers unlimited gameplay. Food & beverages are not covered. Plan to buy these on your own.

We will be in touch soon with the full event details, but for the time being, please start arranging your calendar. COVID protocols, as established by the event venue, will be followed.



## FIRST & SECOND GRADER CREATIVE WORKS

This month Paw Prints features the work of 1st and 2nd Graders. We are delighted to share the following entries. Looking forward to featuring the work of 3rd & 4th Graders in March!



### Valantims Day

By Ella Nixon  
1st Grade  
Mrs. Passinetti's Class

**The Rosise are red,  
dasyse are white,  
and love is in the arh,  
fore Valantims day is on the way**



### Hojalata - Mexican Tin Art

By Norilee Chapman  
1st Grade  
Mrs. Padgham's Class



Landon and puppy, Waffles

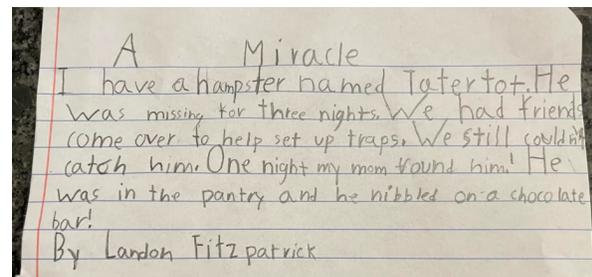
### A Miracle

By Landon Fitzpatrick  
2nd Grade  
Mrs. Bozo's Class

**I have a hampster named Tatertot. He was missing for three nights.**

**We had friends come over to help set up traps. We still couldn't catch him.**

**One night my mom found him! He was in the pantry and he nibbled on a chocolate bar!**



# MINUTES

## Wilson Elementary School PTG

*Tuesday, February 8, 2022 7:02 pm | Meeting Called to Order by Carly Howarth  
Minutes Submitted by Kendra Kimball Chapman*

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### PTG Officers in Attendance

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Carly Howarth, President

Carly Pickering, Vice-President

Katie Glazier, Treasurer

Tonja Brown, Outreach Secretary

Kendra Kimball Chapman, Secretary

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### Approval of Minutes and Motion to Amend Agenda

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Carly Howarth motions to amend this evening's agenda to add a discussion of the upcoming talent show. Alexis Padgham seconds. All are in favor.

The January 2022 Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve by Kendra Chapman, seconded by Alex. Evans. All in favor of approval.

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### Treasurer's Report (Katie Glazier, treasurer)

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- It was a quiet month. The PTG bought Nothing Bundt Cakes for the staff. January was a tough month for everyone and we wanted to show our gratitude.

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### Citizen's Advisory Committee (Alex. Evans presenting)

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- Committees are working with the board to discuss school choice options
- The district is starting to work on next year's budget.
- Superintendent update:
  - We are now half way through the year
  - January was a difficult month
    - Record levels of staff being out due to Covid
    - On just one day the district had almost 500 certificated teachers out.
    - Administrators from the district office were deployed to schools to fill in.
    - SPS is grateful for the community's flexibility
    - They've temporarily increased substitute pay and that immediately resulted in 80 additional subs working regularly
  - SPS is currently working on and negotiating the calendar for next school year. They are expecting it to look similar to this year's.

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## Information Items

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- Paw Prints (Tonja Brown):
  - We invite 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders to submit art, poetry, reflections, etc. for inclusion in February's Paw Prints. Text submissions to Tonja 206-769-8662 or email tonjalbrown@gmail.com
- Book Bingo (Stephanie Gronholz, chair)
  - New date: Tuesday, February 22, 6:30 – 8:30. Come and go anytime. No snacks this year so masks can stay on.
  - Please bring gently used books to contribute to the prize table.
  - Kaelyn Perry volunteers to help call bingo. Two additional volunteers needed (set up and clean up). Carly H will help tear down.
- Centennial Gear Sale (Carly Howarth)
  - Sale is active now. Information is online. We have discount codes for new teachers and students. We will buy shirts for kids in financial need.
- Talent Show (Kaelyn Perry co-hosting with Tamera Knapp)
  - Informational email went out on Monday.
  - Permission slips due by Feb. 18
  - Auditions Feb 23, 24, & 25
  - Dress rehearsal March 17
  - Show on March 18
  - Limited number of family members will be able to attend due to Covid. More details to follow. Call for volunteers will come at a later date.

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## New Business

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- Funds Request for Library's Makers Station (Katie Glazier & Carly Howarth on behalf of Amy Barker):
  - Asking for \$1800 for STEAM related kits. This should benefit every student in the school. There is great energy in the library right now and the community is excited about supporting the efforts.
  - Carly Howarth motions to approve. Katie Glazier seconds. All are in favor.
- Ken Hermanson Updates and Questions:
  - Thanks for the Bundt Cake treat. It was a great uplift for the staff.
  - We're getting closer on the sound system. They'll be trying something out soon.
  - School transfer situation:
    - The district is not trying to shake things up or dislodge people currently choosing into schools. They are not trying to "catch" anyone
    - This is an attempt to better organize.
    - The deadline to complete paperwork is Feb. 15
    - People who have moved out of the area will continue to have first priority for space.
  - Tonja asks, "Are report cards coming home Friday?"
    - Yes. An additional copy will be presented at conferences.
    - Mr. Jacobson's class will not get report cards for another two weeks. Long-term subs need to be in the position for 20 days before they can do report cards.
- General Discussion

- Ryan Kiely requests that we purchase two adjustable basketball hoops for the school gym. Many of our kids participate in YMCA teams that practice at Wilson. The full court baskets are not adjustable.
  - Ken will talk to facilities. Perhaps he can get these funded by the district. The group indicates support for this purchase if the district won't supply them.
- Courtney Malone wants to know about this year's school carnival.
  - Yes, it is happening. Josie Dix (chair) is working on it. Tons of volunteers will be needed. Tickets will be sold in early April. We're hoping to get street permits this year since we'll be unable to have the usual indoor activities. Specific questions should be directed to Josie.
- Parent's Night Out (Jeff Klein):
  - Proposal to gather at Flatstick Pub at the end of March. Perhaps March 25?
  - Jeff proposes the PTG front the \$500 fee required to reserve the space.
  - Participants pay PTG a suggested donation of \$12/person. That covers unlimited games and hopefully covers the reservation fee.
  - Guests pay for food and drink individually
  - Dave Gilbert motions we pay the \$500 reservation fee, Courtney Malone seconds. All are in favor.

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#### Next Meeting

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Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 7:00 pm via Zoom

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#### Meeting Adjourned

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7:51 pm by Carly Howarth.