



The Eagles Nest

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President's Corner...

We are excited for another GREAT year at JR Watson!!!

Our Color Me Watson Fundraiser was an excellent way to start the year, and it is always exciting to see the smiling faces of the kiddos and families participating!! Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make it a great event.

We have a few exciting fundraisers to add to our list as we look ahead. First, we will be hosting a continuing fundraiser through RaiseRight. This fundraiser will go through the year and is a gift card fundraising program. We will launch RaiseRight this week, as they are offering bonus days on September 21st and 22nd. The funds raised through RaiseRight will go towards our new Field Trip Fund. In July of this year, new legislation passed in the State of Indiana that prohibits students from paying for field trips. The funds raised through this program will assist the PTO in being able to pay for each student's field trips.

The PTO will host a Spring Fling Silent Auction Fundraiser on March 9th. This fundraiser will be for adults only; more details will be available in the coming months. The funds raised from the Spring Fling will go to add additional shelter, and storage space in our playground area.

Lastly, if you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact me at jrwatsonpto@gmail.com or (260) 668-4196!! Our PTO is committed to making this an exciting year!!

Lindsay Foster

James R. Watson PTO President

Upcoming PTO

Meeting Date:

November 20, 2023
7p – 8p
Eagles Nest

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**What an amazing and successful
Color Run!**

**We had 37% school participation this
year and RAISED a little over \$19K!!
We are so excited for the upcoming
ice cream party for those students
that raised \$100!**

**Congratulations to Mrs. Weimer's
class for the highest participation
with 63% and Mrs. Buttermore's class
for the most money raised!! They will
get to throw a bit of pie at Mr.
Harrison this year!!**

Thank you!

Box Top Update

09/18/2023

Stay Tuned for our Next Box Top Contest!



Back to School Leaderboard
Updated: 09/18/23

1	Grade 3	557 Box Tops
2	Kindergarten	424 Box Tops
3	Grade 1	144 Box Tops
4	Grade 4	46 Box Tops
5	Grade 5	21 Box Tops
6	Grade 2	17 Box Tops

Way to go 3rd Grade!
You won the Summer Popsicle Party!





**Ronald McDonald
House Charities®**
Central Indiana

About Ronald McDonald House Charities

This year the PTO will be collection Pop Tops throughout the year to donate to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana.

At Ronald McDonald House Charities of Indiana, we provide a supportive home away from home for families of children receiving medical care at Riley Children's Health and other area hospitals.

When families have a sick child, we provide comfort, care and kindness when they need it most. Our House provides all the comforts of home, plus a community of support, and our Family Rooms are places for families to rest during the long days of testing or treatment.

Collected pop tabs are recycled, generating much-needed funds to support the House and the thousands of families we serve each year. Plus, it's a great way to introduce philanthropy to young people, especially in school environments!

Thanks to generous school children, families, businesses, clubs, and churches, over one billion pop tabs have been donated since the program's inception in 1995, generating tens of thousands of dollars in pop tab revenue for the House.

**Save Your Tabs For
Ronald McDonald House Charities
of Central Indiana!**



POP TAB
Collection Program



RaiseRight™

Simply the right way to fundraise

The JRW PTO would like to introduce our new fundraising initiative that will kick off this week – just in time for RAISE DAYS!

All of the funds raised throughout this program will go to our new field trip fund. With the new change in legislation schools are now responsible for paying for student field trips, as this is part of students curriculum. This is a great benefit for our families, but as your PTO we know that funds for the school are already stretched tight and would like to assist as much as possible.

This new program is known as RaiseRight – the gift card fundraising program. It is convenient - you can download the app on your phone and buy E-gift cards immediately to use when purchasing groceries. There are many reloadable gift cards – such as Speedway when you purchase gasoline. You can purchase physical cards as gifts and earn money for the school field trips at the same time!

If you have any questions on this new program you can reach out to your RaiseRight school coordinator, Andrea Sponhower via email asmbooks12@gmail.com or text at 260.615.2710

Thank you and we look forward to the new year!

You can join the program at:

<https://www.raiseright.com/enroll?enrollCode=5PW78TYHA2SQ>



Watch the overview video at:

<https://youtu.be/LfmbKK4A9qo>



You can download the apps on IOS or Android phones using these links or QR codes:

IOS: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/id1498234012>



Android (Google Play): <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.shopwithscrip.app>





Family Fall Night Dinner
OCTOBER 12, 2023
5:30P-6:45P

The JRW PTO will once again be offering **Dinner at the Cafe** during the Family Fall Book Fair!

Cost: \$5/person - up to \$20 max/family
Cash/Check/Credit Card* accepted

*Credit card processing fee of \$0.25

1 Volunteer needed!

If you would be interested in volunteering to help please contact Andrea Sponhower at 260.615.2710

Thank you!

Upcoming Events

October

- Lit Night - 10/12/23 @ 530p-7p

November

- PTO Meeting - 11/20/23 @ 7p

January

- PTO Meeting - 1/22/24 @ 7p

March

- Spring Fling Silent Auction - 3/9/24
- PTO Meeting - 3/11/24 @ 7p

April

- Sweetheart Dance - 4/26/24 @ 630-8p

May

- Son + 1 - 5/5/24
- PTO Meeting - 5/13/24 @ 7p

TBD:

Skating Party
Spring Fundraiser
Fifth Grade Party

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SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9*
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 PTO Meeting 7p	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Back to School Box Top Contest Ends

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Lit Night 530p-7p	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				