

WEEK OF OCTOBER 16TH

# SPARK FAMILY NEWSLETTER



## Calendar

**October 15** - Join APS at the ATL Pride Parade

**October 18**- PTO Coffee Talk

**October 19**- Fun Run kickoff

**October 19** - Report cards go home

**October 20**- Admin. Coffee Talk

**October 23-27**- Red Ribbon Week

**October 27**- Fun Run

**October 31**- Book Character Day and Fall Treat



## Events

**Fun Run Information:** Mark your calendars for October 27th! The SPARK Fun Run is our high energy student and family driven fundraiser in October. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more!

**PTO Coffee Talk:** Join your SPARK PTO board members for a special PTO Coffee Talk on October 18th at 8am. Learn about PTO initiatives for this school year and have the chance to ask questions about our PTO!

**Coffee Talk with Dr. Toney and Mrs. Pruett:** Join us for October's Admin. Coffee Talk on October 20th at 8am to catch up on all things SPARK and have the opportunity to ask Dr. Toney and Mrs. Pruett questions.

**Birthday Book Club:** SPARK's Birthday Book Club is a great way to celebrate your child and help our Media Center continue to build its collection! Here is how it works:  
-Place an **optional** \$27 donation through SchoolCash Online during your child's birthday month. See the QR code or visit <https://apsk12.schoolcashonline.com/> to place the donation.  
-Mrs. Cady will purchase an age-appropriate book in your child's honor for our SPARK Media Center. We will place a nameplate in the book honoring your child and your child will be the first person to check out the book from the Media Center!



## Announcements:

**Join SPARK's Parent Teacher Organization:** We strive to have 100% of families join the PTO, which helps support the enrichment, community, and fundraising of our school. [CLICK HERE](#) to join the PTO for the 23-24 school year!

**SPARK STEAM Newsletter:** [CLICK HERE](#) to see STEAM in action during the month of September!

**October Media Newsletter:** [CLICK HERE](#) to view the October Media Newsletter!

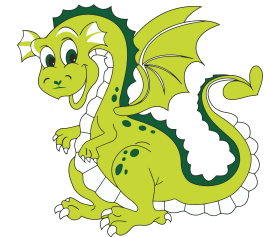
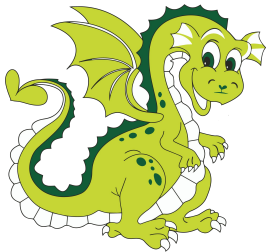
**One Fair Judges-** If you are interested in judging the One Fair- Science, Engineering, Social Studies and Technology Fair please fill out the [ONE FAIR JUDGE Form](#).

# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



## SPRINGDALE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**"I" is for Investment**

SPARK Families,

I hope that you enjoyed your Fall Break! By investing your time volunteering at SPARK and donating to the PTO, you can actively contribute to the enrichment of our school community and the educational experiences of all our students. SPARK would not be able to SPARKle without the investment and support of our families and community!

### Registering for the SPARK Fun Run!

- Our **SPARK Fun Run kickoff begins on Thursday!** Register [here](#) to get started. Our goal this year is to raise **\$30,000** to support **STEAM initiatives**. Registering is easy and free and all students who register will receive a prize! **AND if 50% of the school registers by 10/20 we'll have a school-wide Pajama Day on 10/23!!**
- **Beginning 10/19** Booster will be on campus for one week inspiring student fundraising efforts. Families will see Booster representatives at drop-off and pick-up. The week culminates on **Friday, 10/27** with the awesome Fun Run, located at Springdale Park across the street from SPARK. All families and caregivers are invited to cheer on their student(s) for this epic morning of fun.

We invite you to join us at this fun community event!

- K, 1st and Mr. Cameron's class: 8:15 AM
- 2nd and 3rd grade: 9:30 AM
- 4th and 5th grade: 10:45 AM

To learn more about the Fun Run click [here](#). To **volunteer at the Fun Run** you can [sign up here](#). If you have any questions please email [batya.smith@springdaleparkelementary.org](mailto:batya.smith@springdaleparkelementary.org).

Another way to invest in SPARK is by supporting our PTO by becoming a member! Click [here](#) to join! Our PTO supports our school in many ways including STEAM, classroom grants, teacher professional development, campus improvements and much more! Learn more about our PTO initiatives for this school year at the PTO Coffee Talk on October 18th at 8 am in the SPARK Cafeteria!

If you would like to invest your time at SPARK, we have many volunteer opportunities! Please email [macey.howard@apsk12.org](mailto:macey.howard@apsk12.org) for more information.

Finally, please join Ms. Prueff and myself on October 20th at 8am in the SPARK Cafeteria for a Principal's Coffee Talk. We will chat over coffee and families will have the opportunity to ask questions about all things SPARK!

With Love,

**Dr. Jennifer Toney**