

# The Almanac

An All Star Publication of Askew Elementary School

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## Drug Free-The Askew Way to Be!

### Red Ribbon Week

The week of October 26-30, 2009 is National Red Ribbon Week. This is a time when schools and communities celebrate a healthy, drug-free lifestyle. We have lots of fun activities planned for the week and encourage all students to participate!

#### Monday, October 26

*Wear Red Day*

(Students wear red clothing to school)

#### Tuesday, October 27

*Join the Fight Against Drugs*

(Students wear camouflage clothing)

#### Wednesday, October 28

*Drugs Turn you Inside Out!*

(Students wear their clothes inside out)

#### Thursday, October 29

*Follow your Dreams- Don't Do Drugs!*

(Students wear their pajamas to school)

#### Friday, October 30

*Say "Boo" to Drugs!*

(Students wear a fall-themed shirt)



### Stay Informed

Please sign up to receive news from HISD via e-mail.

Visit [www.houstonisd.org/subscribe](http://www.houstonisd.org/subscribe)

## Parents' Parking!



Parents, please park in designated visitor parking to help us reduce traffic in the teachers' lot!! THANKS.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Daylight saving ends on SUNDAY, November 1, 2009. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour!



## Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF!!

Little orange boxes have been sent home. Take these boxes with you when trick-or-treating to help raise money for kids all around the world! Just \$1 will provide 40 children with water for a day. Boxes will be collected by Wednesday, November 4th with your homeroom teachers. HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



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### Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 26-30 Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 29 Pumpkin Dance @ 2PM!!

Oct. 30 Kindergarten Parade 9:00 am

HISD Day at UH (Football Game: Nov. 21; Buy Tickets by Oct. 30)

Nov. 4 Report Card Day

Fuddruckers Night

Nov. 5 Picture Day

Nov. 7 Westbriar Middle School Booster Club Carnival

Nov. 9-13 Fall Book Fair in Library!!

Nov. 13 Science Night 6:00-7:30 pm

Nov. 16 Prince's Night

Nov. 17 PTO Meeting 8:00 am

Nov. 25-28 Thanksgiving Holiday

## Odyssey of the Mind



Odyssey of the mind is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students from kindergarten through college. Kids apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. They bring their solutions to competitions on the local, state, and World level. Grades K through Second are in the primary division and will present their solution at the Regional competition only. Grades Three through Five have the opportunity to advance to the World competition in May. Coaches are needed to help facilitate the teams as they solve their long term problems. Coaches decide when and where their teams will meet, so this is an excellent opportunity for working parents to get involved in something fun and worthwhile! For more information on Odyssey, go to [www.odysseyofthemind.com](http://www.odysseyofthemind.com). If you are interested, please contact PTO Club Liaison, Arienne de Vassal, at [arienne410@aol.com](mailto:arienne410@aol.com) or 281-497-7074.

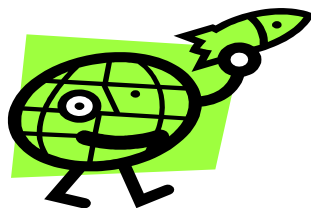
## Volunteers Needed

The library is in need of volunteers to help shelve books! Please let Ms. Hartsoch know if you are interested!! You can contact Ms. Hartsoch at [lhartsoc@houstonisd.org](mailto:lhartsoc@houstonisd.org).



## Fundraiser for the Askew Science Club

This year the Askew Science Club is raising funds through recycling working or nonworking cell phones, laptop computers, iPods, digital cameras, digital video cameras, MP3 players, and



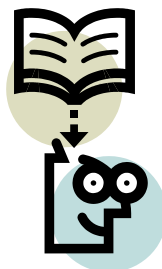
handheld game consoles. Please deposit all of your unwanted equipment in the box marked Science Club Fundraiser in the front courtyard throughout the school year. Thank you.

## Fall Blood Drive Wednesday, October 28

Westside's annual Fall Blood Drive will be held Wednesday, October 28th from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Practice Gym. We invite all community members, faculty and eligible students to participate! Community members can just show-up and will go to the front of the line! The Blood Drive is sponsored by Westside NHS and HOSA and run by the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center. Each donation can save up to 3 lives!!

## Fall Book Fair

The Fall Book Fair has partnered with Scholastics to bring you GREAT books for CHEAP prices starting at \$5. The sale starts November 9 and last all week long, so save your money!!



## Gift Wrap Results!

## Mrs. Townes' Weekly Science Vocabulary



Fossil Fuels

Inexhaustible resource

Renewable resource

Nonrenewable resource