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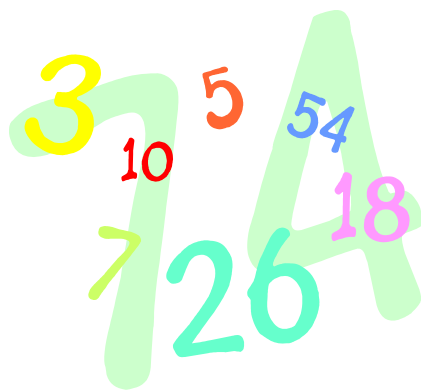


Town Hall Meeting

Please don't forget about the Town Hall meeting going on this week on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2009, 6:30 pm at Westside High School.

MATH-A-THON is HERE!!

Our School is excited to participate in the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital MATH-A-THON program. MATH-A-THON is a free educational program that teaches our kids the importance of math while helping others in need. This year St. Jude has partnered with Scholastic to incorporate national math standards within the MATH-A-THON program. This will help our student practice and prepare for standardized testing. Here's how the program works. First, students ask family and friends to sponsor their



participation in the program. Then, students receive a Funbook filled with math problems. (Students even have the option of going online to complete their Funbook.) Finally, they collect pledges from their sponsors and return them to the school to be sent to St. Jude. Of course, the best reward for participating is

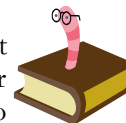
knowing your family has made a difference in the lives of children suffering from cancer and other catastrophic diseases. You and your child make it possible for St. Jude to



treat patients regardless of a family's ability to pay. To learn more about St. Jude, visit www.stjude.org. Please visit www.mathathon.org for additional information regarding the MATH-A-THON program. Mrs. McGlory, Ms. Tillis and their classes will serve as the coordinators for the campaign. The campaign will start on November 30th and end on December 18th. All donations are due on or before December 18th. To participate, students must return the consent form. Consent forms should be in today's Tuesday folders. MATH-A-THON Funbooks will be given to students on November 30. Thank you in advance for your support.

Library Books!

Parents...when checking out books from the library for your child, you are only allowed to check out 2 books at a time. We need to make sure there are plenty of books for our students to check out each day. Thanks!



Congratulations...

To Evie Ellis in Ms. McDonnell's class. Her artwork was chosen to represent Askew in the West Region Holiday Art Contest.

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Mark Your Calendar

- Nov. 16-20 Magnet Awareness Week
- Nov. 17 PTO Meeting
8:00 am
- Nov. 18 Vanguard EXPO (5:30-6:30 pm)
Town Hall Meeting @ Westside HS
6:30 pm
- Nov. 25-27 Thanksgiving Holiday
- Nov. 30- Dec. 18 MATH-A-THON!
- Dec. 1 Gift Wrap Fundraiser Party
- Dec. 4 Picture Retakes
- Dec. 11 Banking Day with Buck & Penny
7:30 am
- Dec. 21- Jan. 4 Winter Break
NO SCHOOL
- Jan. 13 Report card
- Jan. 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
NO SCHOOL

VANGUARD EXPO 2009

The Fall 2009 Annual EXPO of student work is scheduled for Nov. 18 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. in the Askew Cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend. Come to EXPO to see research projects that our Vanguard students have been working on! You will learn about and see snake museums, an animal nation, and water projects that include photo journals, diagrams, and student created water filters. You will also learn about early Texan cultures, Native Texans, and see a visual representation of early American



It is that time of year again!

- ◆ Allegro Ballet of Houston is having their 6th Annual Breakfast with the Sugar Plum Fairy & Sugar Plum Market on Saturday November 28, 2009 from 9:30 am - 1:00 pm at Lakeside Country Club. Please call (281)496-4670 for reservations!
- ◆ Costumed characters from the Nutcracker Ballet interact with our guests as they shop and enjoy a lovely breakfast. Excerpts from the ballet will be performed and the children will be able to dance with the ballerinas. Other treats are a huge Chocolate Fountain beverages.
- ◆ The Sugar Plum Market accompanies the Breakfast. This year the vendors are better than ever. Mrs. Amanda Polk will be there with her fabulous fun fashions and accessories! And many others. Please come to this special event.



MAGNET AWARENESS WEEK

Next week is the beginning of Magnet Awareness Week across the district. Parents interested in enrolling their students into our Vanguard magnet program next year will be touring our classrooms and campus at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily.



School-wide Food Drive



November 9-20

Help those less fortunate with a donation to the Houston Food Bank! Our Westside

Student Council is running a school-wide food drive through November 20 and we're hoping each one of our Wolves will participate by bringing a canned good to school. Students can drop off their donation in the designated boxes located in each small school office. Please help us feed those in need this holiday season!

Askew Banking Program Kick-off

Teach your child the importance of saving money! First Community Credit Union (FCCU) is inviting each Askew student to be a part of their Red Ranger Kid's Club. Kids will learn the importance of saving and receive special prizes as their account grows. Red Ranger members are invited to enter contests, attend events and visit with their Red Ranger friends Buck & Penny in person! In fact, Buck & Penny will be visiting Askew during our first banking day on December 11! Check out your child's Tuesday folder for your invitation. Any questions - contact Deb Castillo, castillodk@sbcglobal.net.



Science Enrichment Days



Science Enrichment Day is coming around the corner on Thursday, November 19, 2009. We are in need of volunteers to teach the children. If you are interested, please contact Beatrice Bomba at (281) 493-2072 or bombabloom@comcast.net.

LUNCH TIME!



Please feel free to enjoy lunch with your child during the school day! Just remember, our school policy is that your child can only choose one child to eat lunch with outside of the cafeteria. Thanks!

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