



The Almanac

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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.



How to register online for MATH-A-THON (please visit www.stjude.org)

1. Click on the state of Texas.
2. Search for your school by entering in ASKE
3. Select your school page and click on "Students Register Here" tab.
4. Create user name and password, complete all information, and click submit.
5. You will receive a conformation email and be able to go to Web Funbook and begin working on the problems!
6. Make sure you enter your name, grade level and Numerators character to team up with.

Reminders for MATH-A-THON:

- ◆ Don't forget to return consent forms
- ◆ Workbooks will be given out on Monday!

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Mark Your Calendar

Nov. 30- Dec. 18	MATH-A-THON!
Dec. 1	Gift Wrap Fundraiser Party
Dec. 3	West Briar Middle School Info Session 7:00 pm
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



Please stop by and enjoy our PTO breakfast in the library Dec 11 at 8:00 a.m.

West Briar Middle School Parent Information Meeting

Please come to the Askew cafeteria at 7:00pm on Thursday, Dec 3rd for an informational meeting hosted by West Briar Middle School's principal Mr. Ohl. Learn more about the programs the school offers and get an opportunity to ask Mr. Ohl any questions you may have.

Congratulations...

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



Askew students perform along with dancers from The Houston Ballet!

Askew Elementary would like to congratulate the wonderful Askew All Star ballet dancers.

Anna Ellis will dance as a Reindeer, Claire Ogilvie will dance as a Soldier, Evie Ellis will dance as a Mouse, Jillian Boyd will be an Angel (of course), Marie Lauderdale will be a Party Girl and a Bon Bon & Zana Ateyeya will dance as a Soldier in the Nutcracker Ballet!

Come see your classmates perform with dancers from the world famous Houston Ballet. This production has delighted West Houston for 7 years and has become a much anticipated holiday tradition not to be missed. The costumes are beautiful and the scenery is lovely. You will even see it snow right in the Theater! At the end of each performance, all the children are invited up on the stage to meet the dancers and to get pictures and

autographs. Also, Girl Scouts, Daises, & Brownies can earn a patch!

The Nutcracker Ballet Allegro Ballet of Houston

- ◆ Saturday, December 19 at 2:30 pm & 7:30 pm
- ◆ Sunday, December 20 at 2:30 pm



Westside High School for tickets call 281-496-4670

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.



Congratulations to Mr. Bowers and his UIL One Act Play group! They performed on November 20 at HSPVA and did a fantastic job! Let's give them a round of ap-

plause when you see them!!

Emily Forster
Alec Minney
Erin Gim
Fiona deVassal
Kiara Guyton
Lindell Lewis
Anuya Kawathekar
Taelor Thomas
Jenna Sheshtawy
Samantha Hanslip

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Yo Leonardo! 5th grade celebration of the arts will take place in the cafeteria at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, December 12, 2009.

Askew Choir Performance Wonderland in Westchase Festival takes place on Thursday, Dec. 16, 2009 at 5:30 pm at the Quillian Center.

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