

# The Almanac

An All Star Publication of Askew Elementary School

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## Just A Few Reminders!!

### School Hours, Attendance & Tardies



School hours are 7:50 am to 3:20 pm Monday – Thursday and 7:50 am to 1:20 pm on Fridays. Children should be picked up on time each day. If you have difficulty picking your child up on time, there are several area child care facilities who provide after school care and/or transportation. If students are repeatedly left unattended after school, a report to CPS may be made. Attendance will be taken daily at 9:30 am. Any student who is not in class at that time will be marked absent. If your child is ill or has a doctor's appointment, please send a note to your child's teacher the next day to have the absence excused. Multiple unexcused absences will be reported to the truancy officer and parents can be issued a citation. Also, students arriving after 7:55 am will be marked tardy.

### Askew Uniform

Askew Elementary is looking forward to our students showing their pride through school uniforms. The Askew uniform **is required** and noncompliance to the dress code may lead to disciplinary action. **Tops** must be solid red, white, or navy blue collared shirts or t-shirts with no logos larger than 1 inch. All Askew shirts are also allowed. **Bottoms** must be denim, red, white, navy, khaki, or Askew plaid shorts, pants, jumpers, skirts, dresses or skorts. Shorts must be worn under skirts and dresses. Jeans may be worn, but must NOT have rips, holes, writing, or heavy embroidery. All bottoms must be worn **at the waist level** and cannot be any shorter than 2 in. above the knee. Athletic (tennis) style shoes are recommended. Flip flops and Heelys are not allowed.



### Parent Visits = ID Badges

Parents, we need your help to make sure our campus is safe. We are asking all visitors and volunteers to sign in at the front office, including all lunch visitors. Bring your photo ID and our Raptor System will print a visitor's badge for you to wear at all times on campus.



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

### 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 Ateyea will dance as a Soldier in the Nutcraker Ballet! Come see your classmates perform with dancers from the world famous Houston Ballet.

#### The Nutcracker Ballet Allegro Ballet of Houston

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

Call Patricia Lauderdale for tickets at (281) 531-6152.



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

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### Mark Your Calendar

Nov. 30-	<b>MATH-A-THON!</b>
Dec. 18	
Dec. 11	Banking Day with Buck & Penny 7:30 am
Dec. 15-16	Teacher Munchie Days
Dec. 16	Askew choir performance at Quillian center 5:30 pm
Dec. 17	Science Enrichment Program
Dec. 21-	Winter Break
Jan. 4	NO SCHOOL
Jan. 11-20	Stanford 10/ Aprenda 3 for Kindergarten
Jan. 13	Report Card Day
Jan. 18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day NO SCHOOL
Jan. 20-28	Stanford 10/ Aprenda 3 for grades 1-5

## Learn to Logon:

HISD online resources

<http://tinyurl.com/42bx4k>  
or [www.hisdlibraryservices.org/  
onlineresources.htm](http://www.hisdlibraryservices.org/onlineresources.htm)

**Username:** houstonisd or  
houstonisd1  
**Password:** texans



## CALLING ALL PICTURES!!!

HI PARENTS AND STUDENTS! The yearbook committee is gathering candid pictures for our AWESOME ASKEW 2010 YEARBOOK.

If you have been on an Askew Field Trip, in a classroom helping, watching the character parade, attending Feast Day, going on Safari, to San Antonio, or camping with 5<sup>th</sup> grade and took your camera we would LOVE to have your pictures!! There are several ways to give us your pictures. Whichever way

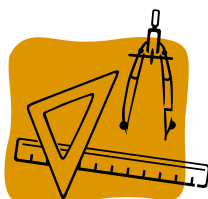
Works best for you works for us! You can:

- ◆ Copy them onto a disc and send it in. (If you label it with your student's name and teacher we can return it to you).
- ◆ Email your pictures to [emiller4@houstonisd.org](mailto:emiller4@houstonisd.org)
- ◆ Bring your camera in with your USB chord and we can download them while you wait. (Room T 4 the art room preferable on a Mon. or Wed.)

If you have any questions please contact Jane Miller 281-368-2100 or email [emiller4@houstonisd.org](mailto:emiller4@houstonisd.org).

**Briar Meadow Middle School** is having an Open House to show off all the great things that are happening there!! Parents and students, please feel free to join in on December 16th at 6:00 pm.

**Toys for Tots Drive!** We are collecting new, unwrapped toys to donate to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. Each year Toys for Tots delivers gifts to needy



children in the Houston area. If you'd like to donate, please send toys with your child to school. Thank you!

## Askew's 2010 Yearbook

Order your full color 2010 Yearbook today! Please send in a check made to Askew PTO or cash with the order form filled out completely.

**HISD's Parent Student Connect** provides for online access to :

- ◆ Daily grades, homework assignments, progress reports, attendance records, test scores, report cards and more!

Please go to [www.houstonisd.org/PSC](http://www.houstonisd.org/PSC) to sign up!!

## MATH-A-THON

A special thanks to the Askew All-Stars who are participating in the MATH-A-THON Drive. We hope you are enjoying the Funbooks. Don't forget to get sponsors.

Reminders:

- ◆ MATH-A-THON ends Dec. 18, 2009. All sponsor envelopes are due on or before the 18th.
- ◆ If you do not have the Consent Form, Funbook, or the Sponsor Envelope, it is not too late. Tell you teacher what you need

Keep solving and having fun with those Math problems!!

## TEACHER MUNCHIE DAYS

Parents - Lets Celebrate our Askew staff with Yummy Holiday Cooking. Send in special treats and baked goodies to the Office/ Teachers Lounge on your child's grade date (early morning preferred). Label your wares if you'd like them returned. Estimated 80 staffers.

- ◆ Tuesday, Dec 15 - Pre K- 2nd graders
- ◆ Wednesday, Dec 16 - 3rd-5th graders

ASKEW TEACHERS ROCK!



## 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](mailto:castillodk@sbcglobal.net).



## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Enrichment program.

Volunteers are needed to help on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December. Training will be held on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 in the science lab. Contact Beatrice Bomba at [bonbabloom@comcast.net](mailto:bonbabloom@comcast.net) or at 281-493-2072.

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