

Tuscany Heights Elementary

April 8-12, 2013

PICTURES on MONDAY!!!!

Parents,

Thank you for respecting our test-takers this week! We had a successful week and look forward to having our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students show off their skills again on April 23rd and 24th. Our staff and students worked really hard to create the best testing environment for all!

*Thank you,
Tara Bailey*

Upcoming Events

<i>April 8th</i>	<i>Spring Individual Pictures</i>
<i>April 9th</i>	<i>1st Grade Field Trip to Sea World</i>
<i>April 10th</i>	<i>Kindergarten Round-up 8:45 a.m.</i>
<i>April 12th</i>	<i>5th Grade Field Trip to Botanical Gardens</i>
	<i>Science Day</i>
<i>April 18th</i>	<i>King Antonio Visits</i>
<i>April 23rd</i>	<i>3rd and 4th Grade Math STAAR Assessment</i>
<i>April 24th</i>	<i>3rd and 4th Grade Reading STAAR Assessment</i>
	<i>5th Grade Science STAAR Assessment</i>

April 25th 1st Grade Fiesta Parade
Trash Free Lunch Day
April 26th No School/ Battle of the Flowers
April 29th Volunteer Luncheon (Invitations
Coming Soon!)

Helpful Information

April 23rd and 24th STAAR Testing

We will not be serving muffins this year.
Therefore, please be sure that your child:
Eats a healthy breakfast at home,
eats in the cafeteria, or
brings a healthy breakfast snack to have in the
room prior to 8a.m.

REMINDER: Campus Safety

We recently had a NEISD Risk Management Audit and our campus was complimented for our secure campus grounds. At anytime, we could have a state audit, therefore, we feel confident in our practices thanks to our district audit results.

Within the next few weeks, we will have a pretend "intruder" to try and gain access to our campus through an unknown entrance/exit (front door, side door, playground gate, etc.). This opportunity has been arranged

by our district to test our awareness of stranger danger. Our staff is prepared to address any unidentified person(s) on our campus. We have also shared appropriate information with our students to alert them. We ask for your help in educating them on awareness and encourage they get a staff member immediately. These are all common practices, but we are reiterating the expectation during this time of year given the drill. We will continue our safe practices!

*With this in mind, be mindful that you may be asked for your RAPTOR badge if it is not visible or escorted to the office. Our back entrance is an area of concern, because we have many families that enter through the rotunda doors in the morning to drop-off or walk students to class. We ask that you use the front office doors to avoid any inconvenience on your part, get a RAPTOR badge, and gain appropriate access to the building. Thank you!

PTA News to Remember

Tuscany Tigers 'stached a record amount of books! Thanks to all who donated to NEISD Council of PTA's Used Book Sale. We collected over 5,000 books! Congratulations to the winning overall class- Mrs. Fontenot's 2nd Graders!!! They 'stached 638 books! Their class gets to draw mustaches on Mrs. Bailey and Mr. Rafajko during morning announcements on April 12th. They will end the day with a "Stache" Bash of story time and snacks with our principals.

These grade level winners all win a "Stache" Day on April 12 and get to wear "mustaches" to school all day (provided by PTA):

Kinder- Mrs. Cervenka

First- Mrs. Fonger

Second- Ms. Jayson

Third- Mrs. Luna

Fourth- Mrs. Cowan

Fifth- Mrs. Schlosser

Get connected with T.H.E. PTA and join the 2013-2014 Executive Board: We are looking for volunteers to serve on T.H.E PTA Executive Board next year. Many positions will be open, and we would love to have you on board! If you are interested in serving in a chair position, please contact Mindy Waters, president@tuscanheightspta.org.

Trash Free Lunch on April 25th: In honor of Earth Day, our Tuscany Tigers will be challenged again to see which class can produce the least amount of trash. The winning class will receive extra recess! Start planning to pack an eco-free lunch on Thursday, April 25th.