

Tuscany Heights Elementary

March 5th - March 9th

Parents,

Thank you for the overwhelming support with our 1st Annual Leader in Me Night! Our attendance was a huge success. Thank you for showing our staff and students that we all believe in our student leaders. As I stated, the Nation has 695 Leader in Me campuses and 22 of them are here in NEISD. Tuscany Heights Elementary looks forward to gaining this status in the future. In the meantime, let's promote student leaders!

The PTA presents... Upcoming Rotunda Artwork!

PTA has been working with a local artist, Suzanne Lindblad, to design a rotunda mural for our campus. The rotunda artwork will display a combination of tigers and stonework with the Covey phrases. We are so excited to see the finished product. This is a great way to show off our dedication to the Leader in Me Program. Thank you PTA!

*Thank you,
Tara Bailey*

Upcoming Events:

KINDER ROUND-UP Date: *Wednesday, March 7th 8:00 a.m.*

Kinder Round up!

Do you know any kids that will be ready for Kindergarten in Fall 2012? Kinder round up will be March 7, from 8:00 to 9:00 am. This will be a great time for your incoming kindergarteners to see their new school.

Upon arrival, our student council will walk your children to the cafeteria and parents will meet in our library. Spread the word if you know of anyone new to Tuscany Heights. We hope to see you there!

Registration will be March 26th!

Pre-K registration will begin the first week of August!

Environmental Awareness Contest: Wednesday, March 9th Deadline

Similar to the recent Reflections contest, our Northeast Council of PTA's is offering an environmental awareness "One World Challenge." If your student is interested in this activity, please see the attached student entry form. There are informational/guideline documents located in the front office as well as student entry forms. All students may enter into the "visual" category, and 3rd-5th grade may enter into additional categories if desired.

Please take note of the deadline of submission. All projects will be due to our school by Friday, March 9th.

NCLB Report Cards (Campus Report Cards):

The 2010-2011 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Report Cards for State, District, and campus-levels have now been made available by the Texas Education Agency. If you would like to view it, please see one of the bulleted options the district has made accessible:

- Direct links to the State, District, and campus report cards are posted on our website located at http://www.neisd.net/neisdinfo/NCLB/NCLB_2010_2011.htm.
- On the NEISD homepage, you will find a button labeled No Child Left Behind (NCLB) that is also connected to the above link (the button can be found in the lower left-hand corner of our homepage).
- Hard copies of report cards are available for viewing by parents/guardians and the general public at the information desk on the 1st floor of the NEEC building.
- Parents/guardians of all students will be notified about the availability of the report cards through a District Wide Parent Link Rapid Communication System Message to be announced on Sunday, March 4, 2012.

Calendar:

March 8th PTA Presents Author Visit: Lucas Miller

March 12th-16th Spring Break

March 23rd Report Cards

March 27th 5th Grade Math STAAR Test

4th Grade Writing Day 1 Test;

March 28th 5th Grade Reading STAAR Test

4th Grade Writing Day 2 Test

April 12th Spring Individual Pictures

April 24th 3rd and 4th Grade Math STAAR Test

April 25th 3rd and 4th Grade Reading STAAR Test

April 26th 5th Grade Science STAAR Test

PTA News to Remember

5th Grade Party Planning Kick-Off Meeting: We will be having an **informational meeting on Thursday March 22, 2012 at 9am in the PTA Room** (upstairs, end of the fifth grade hallway, next to GT room) for all parents who are interested in helping out this year with the 5th Grade Party. The Date and the Place Are Set! (May 25, 2012 at Spectrum Rogers Ranch) All We Need is YOU to help make this a Great Event!

If you have any questions, please contact Fifth Grade Activities PTA Chair, Jill Dorn, at 5thgradeactivities@tuscanheightspta.org.

WANTED: YOUR USED BOOKS!!! The Tuscan Heights PTA Used Books Sale Committee will be collecting used books **from Monday, 3/5 through Friday, 3/23**. Donated books should be in good condition and DVDs should have covers. We do not accept VHS tapes of any kind, games, puzzles, coloring books, chick-fil-a books, encyclopedias, NEISD books, library books and magazines.

Collections bins will be located near bus drop off and the front entry. Bags with donated books should be labeled with Student Name, Teacher Name & # of books. Pre-printed labels will be sent out in a flyer the week of 3/5.

We will be having class contests! The top 3 classes will be awarded a Popsicle party with extra recess! Not only do the winning teachers get to wear jeans for a week, but they get money to spend on their classrooms! The 1st place class will receive \$50, 2nd place \$30 and 3rd place \$20.

If you have any questions, please contact PTA Used Book Sale Chair, Elizabeth Longenecker, at booksale@tuscanheightspta.org.