

Tuscany Heights Elementary

April 16th - 20th

Parents,

I hope that you enjoyed your weekend with your children! Thank you sharing them with us!

Regards, Tara Bailey

Upcoming Events:

Calendar:

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| April 19 th | TRASH FREE Lunch |
| April 20 th | Tree Planting Ceremony- Eco Club |
| April 24 th | 3 rd and 4 th Grade Math STAAR Test |
| April 25 th | 3 rd and 4 th Grade Reading STAAR Test |
| April 26 th | 5 th Grade Science STAAR Test |
| April 27 th | No School: Battle of the Flowers |
| May 1 st | PTA General Meeting- 1 st Grade Reading Restaurant |
| May 4 th | PTA Presents: Dave "Travelin'" Davlin |
| May 10 th | 4 th Grade Battle of the Books in the Cafeteria 8:15-9:15 a.m. |
| May 11 th | 2 nd Grade Fairytale Bowl in the Cafeteria 8:30-9:30 a.m. |
| May 14-18 th | Aloha Book Fair |
| May 18 th | 3 rd Grade Battle of the Books 1:20-2:20 pm |

PTA News to Remember

Join T.H.E. PTA Executive Board for 2012-2013: We have many committee chair positions open for the upcoming school year: ADEPT; Art in Education; Bike Rodeo; Book Sale; Box Tops; Bulletin Board; Directory; Field Day; Garden Club; HEALS; Hospitality; Life Member/Founder's Day; Lost and Found, Membership; Presidential Service Awards and Watchdogs. No experience necessary-we just need volunteers who are willing and eager to reach new heights for Tuscany! If you are interested in serving in one of the committee chair positions listed, please e-mail Mindy Waters, 1stvp@tuscanheightspta.org, by April 17. Thank you!

Eat for our Sister School on 4/18!!! THE PTA has organized a Papa John's Eat for a Cause" night on Wednesday, April 18th to benefit our sister school, East Terrell Hills Elementary. Papa John's has generously offered to donate 20% of all orders that mention "Tuscany Heights" to help our sister school. It will be very easy, you will be able to phone in ([210-545-5353](tel:210-545-5353)) or go online (special instructions on backpack flyer) and place an order to feed your hungry family. Simply mention Tuscany Heights, and Papa John's will do the rest. A night out of the kitchen for you and the proceeds to help a school in need. Please check your backpack mail for a flyer with all of the details. Thank you in advance for helping make this night a huge success!

Earth Week Celebration @ TH This Week!!! This week, our students will enjoy lessons and activities to raise awareness about recycling and conserving resources for our planet. On Thursday, April 19th, we will have our 2nd "Trash Free Lunch" - the class with the least amount of trash for the day will be awarded extra recess time (ordering tray is considered "trash free" as all items are recyclable). Our PTA is donating a new tree to our school in honor of Earth Day 2012. Please encourage students to look for their new grrrrreat tree in the front of the school on Friday, April 20th. Parents do you know about Paper Retriever and Eco Rewards? You can help the environment and your school by recycling all paper and plastic products through our 2 bins located at the back of the school. Paper Retriever is currently accepting cardboard as well! Our bins still read that cardboard is not accepted, but that has changed and we welcome all flat cardboard. Thank you for helping to save our planet for future generations! Go Green Tigers!

ATTENTION 5th Grade Parents: Honoring All Student Volunteers!!! It is not too late to register for the Presidential Volunteer Service Awards! This Award is given to children (of any age) for participating in non-paid service hours! Maybe your child is in Patrols, Newspaper Club, Broadcasting, has tutored younger children, volunteered at your religious organization?? As long as they have not received payment and they are volunteering their time, they are eligible for this wonderful award! The hours for this award started May 1st, 2011 and end April 30th, 2012!!! Our WONDERFUL PE staff and other faculty mentors retain attendance records and are willing to verify hours of service! However, please do not wait for the last minute to gather all of your hours, you only need 50 hours to be recognized!!

In order to apply for the PVSA through T.H.E., simply go to T.H.E. PTA website (www.tuscanyheightspta.org) and look for President's Volunteer Service Award under the Events heading. The award for T.H.E. is for children 14 & younger earning 50 hours of volunteer time. The submission deadline is April 30th. An honor reception will follow on May 17th at 7:15 am in T.H.E. Library. If you have questions, please contact our PVSA Chairman, Gwenn Reep, at gsreep@gmail.com.