Tuscany Heights Elementary

January 28th - February 1st

Parents,

We look forward to seeing you guys with us for the following events:

January 29th
Leader in Me Night
(See flyer for more info)

February 23rd
Run for the Heights
(See PTA Section for more info).

Upcoming Events

January 29th	Leader in Me Night
February 4th - 15th	Ronald McDonald Hearts
February 5th	PTA General Mtg
February 14th	Happy Valentine's Day No Parties
February 18th	Student Holiday/ Professional Development for Staff
February 20th	PTA Presents Mark Rothstein (Jump Rope)
February 23rd	3rd Annual Run for the Heights
February 26th, 27th, & 28th	EARLY RELEASE DAYS Students Dismiss at 12:40pm

Helpful Information

Flu Season

This time of the year, we are faced with many illnesses that impact our students and their families. Please see our website for a district letter regarding the flu. We are taking extra precautions at school to avoid spreading harmful germs. Thank you for helping us stay healthy!

Leader in Me

Come out and join us for some football themed Covey fun! We are excited to introduce our new families to Stephen Covey's 7 Habits as well as continue educating all of our students on a variety of ways to implement Covey habits into their daily lives. More info on the upcoming night on the flyer attached!

Run for the Heights

Help your children register as many friends and family members as possible for this fun community event! See "PTA News" for more information. I can't wait to run with our students to promote wellness!

WatchD.O.G.S.

A Tuscany Heights Watch DOGS dad recently stated: ***"I did not realize what an impact fathers could have on the school grounds. The look on my daughter's face and her discussion when she came home from school was a true blessing. I hope more fathers sign up because the kids really appreciate us being there."***

Dads, uncles, granddads, step-dads—Tuscany Heights needs you to continue making an impact this spring semester!

Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) is an innovative program launched at Tuscany Heights this year which has enabled fathers and father-figures to be a positive male role model and to provide an extra set of eyes and ears--and the results have been astounding.

If you have not been a Watch DOG yet, now is the time to sign up! If you have already served as a Watch DOG this year, please consider returning for another day!

Simply contact the Watch D.O.G.S. coordinators at watchdogs@tuscanyheightspta.org and request information on how to sign up for your day of service. You will be able to view a presentation about the program, ask questions, order your official Watch D.O.G.S. t-shirt, then allow you to register and pick your day to be the "Hero of the Hallway." **Please note that for the safety of our children and staff, you must complete the NEISD Criminal Background Check (a.k.a. "DPS Clearance") in order to volunteer.**

Your PTA Watch DOGS coordinators, Doug and Suzanne Opersteny, are ready to serve! They may be contacted at watchdogs@tuscanyheightspta.org, or call them at (210) 381-2632.

School Choice

School choice forms should be here soon.
The window for returning school choice forms will be January 7th - February 28th.

PTA News to Remember

February 1 is the last day for early bird pricing and a T-shirt & Goody Bag guarantee, so register today for the 3rd Annual Run for the Heights, 5K Run/Walk, Kids' Fun Run & Health Fair - February 23, 2013

The race is on! The Run for the Heights Class Contest continues until Friday, February 1! Work with your class to bring in race registrations and get rewarded! Classes that bring in 10 race registrations earn 10 minutes of extra recess. Classes that bring in 15 race registrations, get to watch the Tusky Celebrity 50 Yard Dash. Classes that bring in 20 race registrations earn a Bounce House during PE. The top 2 classes will win a party at Flip City! Rewards are cumulative so your class can win all these healthy rewards just by signing up your family, friends, and neighbors for Run for the Heights. THE student name needs to be entered on the paper or on-line registration after the question, "How did you hear about us?" Registrant checks "THE Student" and enters your name. Race registration forms were sent home in the backpack or can be downloaded from the website at runfortheheights.tuscanyheightspta.org <http://runfortheheights.tuscanyheightspta.org>

Started your training? Join a neighborhood running group. Runners meet Mon & Wed at 8:00 am and 4:30 pm; and Sat at 7:30 am. Walkers meet Tues at 8:30 am & Wed at 8:05 am. See our website for locations and more details at runfortheheights.tuscanyheightspta.org <http://runfortheheights.tuscanyheightspta.org> . All ages and abilities welcome!

HEB BONUS BOX TOPS ARE BACK- January 23-February 5!!! Earn 60 Bonus Box Tops when you buy 10 participating Box Tops for Education products between 1/23/13-2/5/13 at HEB. That earns $6 for our school and the Bonus Box Tops are delivered instantly at checkout. For participating products, visit cashforyoureducation.com/offers. Save your Bonus Box Tops for our upcoming March contest!

2012-2013 One World Challenge: Plug-In to Nature entries due March 11: Students are invited to step up to the One World Challenge and create a solution to address a current environmental or conservation issue. This program is open to all students Pre-K through 12th grade. We encourage you to work with your children to find ways to help our environment. Contest information and student entry forms are available at tuscanyheightspta.org.For more information, please contact our Environmental Chairs, Julie Teplitz and Dana Dannenberg, environmental@tuscanyheightspta.org