

Book Character Parade

We are looking forward to our book character parade on Friday. You can't have a parade without spectators, so please come out and cheer us on! You should park in the back lot and sit on the amphitheater steps or at a courtyard table. The parade route will come right past you. The parade begins at 8:45! If the weather is not cooperative we will use the cafeteria as an alternate viewing area.

Family Picnic

PTO is hosting a family picnic on October 6. Be sure to look for the flyer with all the details. We hope everyone can join us!

Success showcase replaces awards

For the past two years we have given out awards for honor roll, excellent conduct and perfect attendance. Research is showing that these kinds of awards assemblies are not beneficial to recipients or no-recipients. We are finding that it does not motivate students that are not receiving awards and it prevents students from developing intrinsic motivation. We want our students to feel proud when they accomplish a new skill and continue to develop that skill. Rewarding them signals that the learning is done and stifles the continuation of acquiring and mastering a new skill. The staff has had many conversations about this and we have decided to hold a success showcase in place of an awards assembly. We want each student to be recognized for his/her own personal successes and greatness. This could be success with math, writing, reading or science skills. It could be that a student excels in fine arts or technology. Character traits such as perseverance, citizenship and community spirit will also be celebrated. This aligns to our new district vision of personalizing learning. Each grade level will have a unique ceremony to display our individual greatness and parents, of course, will be encouraged to attend. Please watch for the dates of these showcases as we near the end of the first semester.

Enrichment Hour

Yesterday was our first enrichment hour and it was an overwhelming success! Thank you to all our great parents that donated materials and came to help us direct students in the hallway. Teachers and students had a great time working on areas of mutual interest and building relationships with new staff and students. Looking forward to next Tuesday.



"Counselor's Corner"

September 2017

Several French Racers donated their time and/or backpacks, school supplies, and even birthday presents to help the victims of the Hurricane Harvey flooding. Our students are amazing.

Way to go, Racers!



Pauline (Mrs. Niederhofer's first grade) and Natalia Schmidt (Mrs. Drouillard's fourth grade) donated backpacks with the help of their dad!



Clinton Castro (Mrs. Teske's 3rd) donated his birthday presents!



With the help of their troop members, fourth graders, Jada M., Maddie M., Taylor K., and Kennedy K., participated in a school supply drive and delivered backpacks filled with the supplies to several Klein ISD elementary schools in the area.

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Reminder:

You must sign your child up online using the link below.



When: Thursday Mornings

Where: French Gym Door -

Outside behind school by cafeteria

Time: 7:20 am – 7:50 am

Dates: Oct. 5th 2017 – March 8th 2018

Sign Up: <https://goo.gl/forms/AYegixilcjOSGKzi2>

If you have any questions, please call

832-375-8092 or you can always e-mail us.

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Teaching Life long Fitness



September 27, 2017

Dear Fifth Grade Parents,

We are pleased to announce that our Fifth grade music program this year will be a Veterans Day program which will be performed by the entire fifth grade. We will perform the program for the student body **at 9:00 a.m. on November 9th** and at **7:00 p.m.** for our parents and families. Our program will feature the fifth grade chorus, but will also showcase a variety of other special parts. In order for your child to be assigned an additional part we need your signature below. Please sign and return the attached form so we can make plans for this wonderful production.

Our students have had the special opportunity to work with Fine Arts personnel at Klein Oak High school as part of our Fine Arts integration philosophy. Teachers in music, art, theatre and dance will be mentoring and guiding our students as they prepare for this program.

Fifth grade students should wear any combination of patriotic red, white and blue on top and dark, long jeans. Shoes should be comfortable and appropriate for standing and moving. This will be the dress for both performances.

In order for the show to be a success, all students need to attend the night performance so please mark your calendar and return the commitment form by **Wednesday, October 4.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's music teacher.

Sincerely,

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PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, October 4

STUDENT: _____ HOMEROOM TEACHER: _____

My child is interested in:
digital graphics _____ speaking, _____ solo _____ instruments _____ movement _____

_____ I understand that my child will participate in a day and evening performance on Thursday, November 9, 2017

PARENT SIGNATURE
