

# TIGER TALES

FROSTWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL/12214 MEMORIAL DRIVE, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77024

## SPECIAL DATES

**2/20** - Green Tigers Meeting 7:15 am in the Library

**2/22** - "Field of Dreams" Frostwood Auction 6:00 @ Norris Center

**2/25** - Box Tops deadline

**2/26** - 5th Grade Parents Transition to MMS meeting 9:30 am in Community Room

**2/28** - Western Day; Project Study requests due

Tiger Tales is the semi-monthly publication of the Frostwood PTA. Submissions for the next Tiger Tales are due every other Thursday before the next Tuesday issue. Please submit articles to:  
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## FROSTWOOD AUCTION 2014

**IT'S GAME ON!** We are very excited that the Big Game is finally here. Auction will be a night to remember as we celebrate our great school. Some things have changed so **see the rules of the game below**, and the **playbook on pages 2 and 3**.

### RULES OF THE GAME

- Go to [BidPal.net/fieldofdreams](http://BidPal.net/fieldofdreams) to create your watch list. This will save you tons of time (and stress!) on auction night. If you've already created your list, check back on the site as new items have been added.
- You must mark all items you wish to watch by **FRIDAY NIGHT at 10:30**. After this time, the system will be taken down in preparation for the event.
- Unlike last year, **all bidding at auction will be done via your own smart phone**. Any brand of smart phone is compatible with BidPal technology. An iPad will work as well. Therefore, a couple can each bid from his and her own device and are assigned the same bidder number. **Page 2 will show you how your device will look**.
- **Please have your devices fully charged** upon arrival. While there will be a charging station, you won't want to miss any of the fun waiting for your device to charge. **If you use Sprint for your smart phone's cellular service, please email us at [fwefieldofdreams.com](http://fwefieldofdreams.com)** so that we can give you special instructions. If you don't have a smart phone or iPad, not to worry! Just email us as well and we will reserve one for your use on auction night.
- **Registration opens at 6:00 PM**—After you register, **the sign-up parties for kids and parents will be available for purchase. Historically they've sold out quickly**. Saving them to your watch list will help you purchase them rapidly as they are first come first served. **Seating in the ballroom is at 7:00, Live Auction at 7:45, Raffle Drawing at 9:15 and Silent Auction Ends at 10:00**. See the next two pages for important plays in the playbook!

# BidPal - Tips and Tricks for Auction Night

Walking around the **Trophy Room** and **you've found an item you want to bid on quickly? Just enter the item number or search by key words on any item.**

**"Sign Up Parties"** is for **first come first served sign-up parties for kids and parents. When the spaces are gone, the party will disappear.** If the party you wanted is sold out, look for a waiting list at the BidPal charging station. For parties saved to your watch list, look under **"My Items"**

**"My Items"** is where **ALL OF THE ITEMS you selected to watch before Auction will be listed.**

Throughout the night, you can **see your status on your items and place new bids if you've been outbid.**

You can choose to enter a **"Max Bid"** and BidPal will bid for you.

Check out **details for Live Auction Items and Big Board offerings. Big Board items will close at 10:00** along with silent auction items. Tap **Big Board** button to check current bids on all Big Board items.



*Donate at any time, but **we'll have our traditional "Raise the Paddle" drive at dinner.***

**Looking for a deal?  
Tap "Items with No Bids"**

## **Auction Night Happenings**

### **BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND ... GRAB BAGS!**

This year's plans include a new, fun Auction game ... to win a grab bag! Grab bags include gift certificates valued between \$25 and \$100 to your favorite neighborhood businesses. It's a game of chance but EVERYONE is a winner!

**Grab bags are \$50 each and are limited in quantity**

### **Wine Pull**

Look for the Wine Pull at Auction or even better ... pre-purchase your wine!

Visit the [BidPal website](#) to purchase your wine by February 20,  
and have it delivered to your table on Auction night!

Frostwood's sommelier does an outstanding job of  
picking great wines and different price points.

A cash bar will be available as well. Unfortunately there is no ATM in the  
Norris Center, but there is one next door at the Hotel Sorella.

### **PRE-PURCHASE YOUR CHILD'S CUSTOM BOBBLEHEAD**

Because what's better than YOUR star as part of your auction night décor?

After all, it's all for the kids and all about the kids.

### **Rooms at Hotel Sorella**

If you'd like to stay the night, there are a limited number of rooms held for us at the Hotel Sorella. To make a reservation, go to [www.hotelsorella-citycentre.com](http://www.hotelsorella-citycentre.com) and:

Enter arrival and departure dates

Under "Promotional" Select: "Group/Block"

Enter your group code: FROSTWOODAUC

Click "Check Availability"

*Or you can call the reservations line at (866) 842-0100 and ask to make a reservation under Frostwood Elementary.*

## **FROSTWOOD GENERAL NEWS**

**A NOTE FROM NURSE NANCY** - I hope this note finds all of you well and staying healthy. Here are some tips to know if you do find yourself under the weather, especially now that it's cold and flu season. **Fever** – rare for a cold, common with the flu. Can exceed 102 degrees and persist for 3-4 days. Headache, body ache- rare for a cold, common and can be severe with the flu. **Fatigue** – possible with colds, but flu usually starts with exhaustion; fatigue can last 3-4 weeks. **Sneezing, sore throat** – most frequent with a cold, but can occur with the flu. **Chest discomfort , cough** – mild to moderate with a cold, but can be severe with the flu. Hand washing is the most effective way to stop the spread of germs, and plain old soap and water is the best. Chicken soup, a humidifier, and over the counter meds are good comfort measures to take as well. If you think it's the flu, contact your doctor right away for a prescription of Tamiflu.

**PROJECT STUDY DEADLINE** - Please remember that all Project Study requests are due to Keri Bassett by **Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**. Requests can be e-mailed or dropped off in the PTA box located in the front office. The request form is located online at <http://frostwoodpta.com/project-study-requests/>. If you have any ideas or questions, please contact Keri directly at [keribassett@sbcglobal.net](mailto:keribassett@sbcglobal.net) or 713-824-3614.

**BOX TOPS DEADLINE** - The next deadline is quickly approaching and it's time to count the Box Tops and submit them .Please send all Box Tops to school ASAP! Also, please use the **printable collection** sheet found on the PTA website under "**FUNDRAISING/REBATES**" and adhere 25 Box Tops per page. All BONUS Box Tops must be submitted separately in an envelope or baggie. After **February 25<sup>th</sup>** all remaining Box Tops will count for next school year. Contact Jana Johnson with any questions- [jana.h.johnson@gmail.com](mailto:jana.h.johnson@gmail.com).

**I-FEST NEEDS PERFORMERS** - I Fest 2014 will be held at Frostwood Campus on Saturday, May 3. We are looking for any Frostwood children or families who would like to do a short performance on stage to showcase their heritage. Please contact Leah Smith at [leahsmith@yahoo.com](mailto:leahsmith@yahoo.com) for details.

**PTA MEETING MINUTES ONLINE** -The Minutes from the February 5, 2014 General PTA Meeting are posted on the Frostwood PTA website and are password protected. The password is Tigers13. Please contact Connie Jones at [cfloresjones@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cfloresjones@sbcglobal.net) if you have any questions or comments. The Minutes will be approved at the next General PTA meeting on April 2, 2014.

## **GREEN TIGERS NEWS**

**Next Green Tigers Meeting** - **Thursday February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:15am in the library**. This week we are encouraging all Green Tigers to "**Bring a Friend**" to the meeting. We are also inviting **K-SHAC** members to join in the fun! **Ozone Theater**, part of Air Alliance Houston, will be coming to use their drama-based educational techniques to introduce students to concepts of air pollution, the difference between clean air and dirty air, and the difference between good ozone and bad ozone. Students will get up on their feet and move around as they act out various sources of air pollution and as they learn the colors of the Air Quality Index, the scale EPA uses to indicate the amount of air pollution measured in the air at any given time and location. Please indicate if your child will be attending by signing up on the sign up genius now! [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090B4BA8AD2EA20-ozone](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090B4BA8AD2EA20-ozone). Looking forward to seeing you there!

# **WESTERN DAY IS ON ITS WAY!**

Grab your cowboy hat and come out to watch /dance with your kid(s) during health fitness class on **February 28th**. Kids, parents, and teachers are encouraged to dress western. So, get your boots on for a stompin' good time! Please no toy guns, lasso's, or spurs for the safety of your child and others. See ya there partners! *Marion Thames, Health Fitness Specialist*

## **WESTERN DAY SCHEDULE**

<b>GRADE LEVEL</b>	<b>CLASS TIME</b>	<b>CLASS</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>8:20-9:05</b>	<b>All Kinder classes-Bean, Leger, Muras, Vanderhorst</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>9:10-9:35</b>	<b>Cox, Eggleston, McMullen (Attleson's class splits)</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>9:35-10:00</b>	<b>Downham, Mayer (Attleson)</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>10:05-10:30</b>	<b>Buegeler, Beman, Perry (Garrett's class splits)</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>10:30-10:55</b>	<b>Gioacchini, Smith (Garrett's class splits)</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>11:00-11:25</b>	<b>Janacek, White, Meadows (Rabel/Yao's class splits)</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>11:25-11:50</b>	<b>Davis, Root (Rabel/Yao's class splits)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>12:40-1:05</b>	<b>Lam, Ferraro, Groves</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>1:10-1:35</b>	<b>Malette, Pettit</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>1:40-2:05</b>	<b>Posey, Foytlin, Blakely</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>2:10-2:35</b>	<b>Money, Suppatkul</b>

\*Mr. Attleson, Mrs. Rabel and Yao's, and Ms. Garrett's classes will square dance with the class they attend health fitness. Your child should know what class they attend health fitness. However, if they are not sure, you may contact your child's teacher or me at [marion.thames@springbranchisd.com](mailto:marion.thames@springbranchisd.com) or call me at 713-251-5721 to find out your child's assigned class.

## **LIBRARY CORNER**

**HOP-TO-IT READING PROGRAM** - It's Hop-to-It time in the Frostwood Library again for all students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through Second grade. The purpose of the Hop-To-It Reading Incentive Program is to encourage a balance of reading Fiction and Non-fiction outside of school.

**Objective of the Program**: Students in Kinder and 1st grade will read 20 books, e-books, or non-fiction web reading (example: National Geographic online website about tigers), 10 non-fiction, and 10 fiction. Students in second grade will read a total of 400 minutes, 20 minutes a day reading both fiction and non-fiction. Parents will fill out the Hop-to-It Reading Log each time a child reads.

**Reward**: Students who fill out their sheet with number of books read will be invited to a special "Hop-to-It" party with games and fun treats, organized by Felicia Beaver and Courtenay Nichols in April. Each child will also receive recognition and a certificate, a bookmark, and an ice cream coupon for their effort.

**Duration**: The program starts on February 24<sup>th</sup> and goes through March 31<sup>st</sup>. Please help your child accomplish their goals. The log is going home with your child this week, or you can find it on the Frostwood PTA website. **You can find the logs on the [Frostwood PTA website](#) under "Enrichment" and "Library".**

**UPCOMING AUTHOR VISIT - Maureen Sherry**, author of **Walls Within Walls**, a Bluebonnet book this year, will be visiting Frostwood 3-5th graders on **Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**. She was recently added to the 2010 American Booksellers Association list of Best New Voices. Coming from New York, she is bringing her fantastical stories from her life and writing adventures. To purchase a book for your child, please fill out the Blue Willow form [found here](#) and return to Mrs. Branon by March 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **HEALTHY LIFESTYLES NEWS**

**HEALTHY LIFESTYLES COMMITTEE**: The next Healthy Lifestyles Meeting will be on **Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am in the FWE multi-Purpose room**. If you are interested in being involved with the garden, this is the meeting for you!

**KSHAC-KIDS SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**: The next KSHAC meeting will be on **Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:10am in the FWE Garden**. We will have P.J. Whitehouse back to talk about what we are growing in the garden and KSHAC's role in it. Green Tigers will be joining us!

**SALAD BAR**: The salad bar will continue to be available on a trial basis every Tuesday and Thursday through March 13<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in volunteering in the cafeteria during this time, please contact Leah Smith at [leahsmith@yahoo.com](mailto:leahsmith@yahoo.com).

Be on the lookout for our new fruit tree orchard located behind the main building. More about the orchard to come in the next Tiger Tales...

**HEALTHY GROCERY SHOPPING TIPS** - For simple tips to make your next grocery trip both healthy and delicious, [click here!](#)

## **KINDERGARTEN NEWS**

There is no Kindergarten grade specific news at this time. Stay tuned!

## **1st GRADE NEWS**

There is no 1st grade specific news at this time. Stay tuned!

## **2nd GRADE NEWS**

There is no 2nd grade specific news at this time. Stay tuned!

## **3rd GRADE NEWS**

There is no 3rd grade specific news at this time. Stay tuned!

## **4th GRADE NEWS**

There is no 4th grade specific news at this time. Stay tuned!

## **5th GRADE NEWS**

**MOVIN' ON UP: 5<sup>TH</sup> TO 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TRANSITION PARENT MEETING** - All 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents are invited to join us for a question and answer session with Lisa Weir, the principal of Memorial Middle School, along with Cindy Barranco, the grade level Principal and Liz Rushing, the grade level counselor. They will be here to discuss course selection, campus life, dress code and any other questions or concerns you may have about MMS and entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Please mark your calendars for this very informative meeting for all incoming MMS parents to be held on **Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-10:30 am. in the Community Room at Frostwood.** *Susan McMillan & Inga Smith, 5th Grade Peer Group Chairs*