

TIGER TALES

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

SPECIAL DATES

5/12-5/15- Scholastic Book Fair

5/13 - Healthy Lifestyles Meeting 11:00 in Multipurpose Room

5/15 - KSHAC Meeting 7:15 am in Library

5/16 - Student Council Donut Party 7:40 am; 1st Grade Portfolio Sharing

5/19 - Library books due

5/20 - 4th Grade Portfolio Sharing

5/21 - Student Council School Store Sale; 2nd Grade Portfolio Sharing

5/22 - Green Tigers Meeting 7:30 am in Library

5/23 - DARE BBQ

5/30 - 3rd Grade Portfolio Sharing; Technology Showcase 8:15 am

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 GENERAL NEWS

PORTFOLIO SHARE DATES- Mark your calendars for your child's Portfolio Sharing Day:

1st Grade- May 16

2nd Grade- May 21

3rd Grade- May 30

4th Grade- May 20

Technology Showcase- May 30 at 8:15 am

AUCTION 2015 NEEDS YOU! - The PTA is looking for fun, creative, organized, energetic volunteers as chairs for the 2015 Auction! Did you know that the State of Texas calculates school funding based on the value of the businesses and property surrounding school districts? Did you know that the Frostwood PTA has been able to supplement Frostwood's funding in many creative ways that directly benefits all students? Did you know the annual auction pays for enrichments in language, science, reading, math, social welfare, technology and classroom size, and are therefore considered necessities by many?

Our children are all very fortunate to be at such a wonderful school with a wonderful staff! **By volunteering to be a chair for our annual auction, you will make a difference in the lives and quality of education for all of our kids. Plus, you will have a blast and meet lifelong friends!** This year's committee, as in years' past, is ready to assist with any phase of the creation and implementation of auction. Are you ready to commit or just want some no-strings-attached information? Contact Keri Bassett (keribassett@sbcglobal.net or 713-824-3614).

DEADLINE FOR REIMBURSEMENTS - Time to turn in your receipts! If you have spent money on a PTA event or committee this year, please turn in your receipts by **May 30th**. Reimbursement forms are available on the PTA website, or there are copies in the PTA Treasurer mailbox in the teacher mailroom. We will be issuing checks through the end of June, then our fiscal year will end so we need to complete all the reimbursements before the next fiscal year starts on July 1st. *Suzanne Farrow, Treasurer*

FROSTWOOD GENERAL NEWS

PROJECT STUDY UPDATE - At the Thursday, May 8th, PTA meeting, a Project Study vote was held regarding project study requests, teacher wish lists and para-professionals. For the 2014-2015 school year, the PTA will utilize Project Study monies to fund:

- a pocket prairie through an agreement with the Katy Prairie Conservancy,
- the pilot year of the Urban Harvest In-School Visiting Garden Education Program for the 2014-2015 school year
- teacher wish lists items
- as well to empower Principal Ellen Green, to secure para-professionals and tutor contractors.

Please contact Keri Bassett (keribassett@sbcglobal.net) if you would like a detailed breakdown of dollar amounts and the specific teacher wish lists.

STUDENT COUNCIL PARTY- Attention all Student Council reps! To show our appreciation please join us in an end of the year celebration in the 4th grade collaboration room, Friday May 16th, at 7:40 for donuts!!! Both spring and fall reps are welcome! We appreciate all you have done for Frostwood and the community!

STUDENT COUNCIL SCHOOL STORE END OF YEAR SALE - Bring your money! **Wednesday, May 21st** before school in front of the Cafeteria.

2014-2015 SPIRITWEAR - Spirit Wear is coming soon on the PTA website www.frostwoodpta.com . Items include: the Frostwood Field Trip T-Shirt, baseball hats, visors, hoodies for both boys and girls, Tervis tumblers, and more. New this year is the Frostwood Field Trip shirt. It will be the only shirt offered. The PTA executive board knows this is a change, but we hope that when Frostwood students are on their Field Trips, other schools will look and recognize our Tigers as a proud, strong group! Sample sizes are available in the office. Questions? Contact Carol Pinera (cjpinera@sbcglobal.net) or Stacy Lord (lord_stacy@yahoo.com).

FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844ABAD2AA20-where> to sign up online!

I-FEST SUCCESS! - A BIG THANK-YOU to ALL of the following individuals and families for helping with Ifest Education this year. From making posters and decorating the library to decorating the 6 fabulous Country themed tents and installing displays in the glass cases around the school - these people put in many hours to help make Frostwood Ifest educational, colorful and interesting for students and families. Many thanks to the following volunteers: *Hyekyung Dong, Miyoung Moon, Angie Heo, Eunyoung An, Helen Choi, Debbie Bang, Melissa Pham, Rajashree Krishnamurthy, Pina Patel, Tala Angali, Tori Shohbazi, Melissa Daniel, Leah Smith, Qingwu Yang, Gigi Semine, Melissa Pizarro, Virginia Johnson, Mimi Luc, Cecilia Ryu, Hyewon Ahn, Jinhee Kim, Hyesook Kim, Claudia Villarreal, Kara Stanicic, Melanie Pita, Andrea Eubanks, Roxana Dorobantu and the Families of: Jerry Chen, Sophia Fan, Rachel Gai, Ella Huang, Jonathan Ji, Jason & Sarah Li, Matthew Li, Jeffrey Liu, Catherine Lu, Ian Lu, Maggie Lu, Alice Ma, Daniel Shi, Carey Tu, Jeremy Tu, Winston & Sai Ooi, Aaron Xiong, Kelly & Kevin Xiong, Grace Wu, Connie & Judy Yang, Tianxiao Crystal Yang, Victoria Yi, and Jianyi Zhang.* It was a real pleasure to work with and get to know each of you! – Lisa Lauter

FREE SUMMER MEALS FROM SBISD - SBISD is offering free breakfast and lunch this summer for kids and teens ages 1-18. Click [here](#) for times and locations, and visit www.springbranchisd.com/cns for more information.

CHOIR CAMP AT MEMORIAL HS- Memorial High School is hosting a choir camp May 20-23 for students in grades 5-8. This camp is designed to show the kids a different side of choir . They will teach 4 songs with choreography that will be performed at a concert Friday night along with some solos performed by the campers and the high school students running the camp. The cost of the camp is \$45 which pays for food, a camp t-shirt, a rehearsal CD, a photo CD, and the fee for the camp itself. [Click here](#) to see the flyer for registration info.

A NOTE FROM NURSE NANCY

Attention Parents:

As the 2013-2014 school year comes to a close, please remember that your student may have medications or other items in the Health room. Please make arrangements to pick up all items no later than **June 4th**, between 7:45 – 3:15. If your child takes a daily medication that is needed through the final day of classes, you may pick those up by **noon on June 5th**. Any medication left in the Health room after that time will be destroyed, per district guidelines. District policy also states that medications must be **returned** to the **parent/guardian** and not the student, in elementary school.

Summer vacation is close at hand, and with it the chance for sunburn/dehydration. Please use sunscreen liberally on your kids, and be sure they are drinking plenty of fluids.

Also, many of your children will be attending summer camp, which always carries the possibility of lice. If you see your child scratching their head frequently, please check them for lice. There are a variety of treatments available, and rosemary/mint products have proven to be an effective deterrent against lice. A website to look at products on is www.ginesis.com. The Texas Lice Squad, a facility in Bellaire that treats lice, also has helpful information on their website – www.texaslicesquad.com.

It's been my pleasure to care for your children this year, and I wish all of you a safe and healthy summer!

Nancy Musgrove RN
713-251-5725

REFLECTIONS

PTA Creative Arts Contest

2014-2015 Theme: The World Would Be A Better Place If...

The National PTA Creative Arts contest, REFLECTIONS is a lovely program in which your child can draw, paint, write a story, poem or letter, make a photo or photo collage, compose music, choreograph a dance routine, or create a short film, to express the 2013 theme: **The World Would Be A Better Place If...**

Get An Early Start On Your Entry
Submit your entry by the end of the summer
and receive an Orange Leaf gift card!

All children who enter, along with their parents, will be invited to a special REFLECTIONS Cookie Celebration where refreshments will be served, winners will be announced and entries will be displayed. Your child will not want to be left out!

REFLECTIONS Cookie Celebration
Friday, December 5 at 2:00PM

[Click here for more information for the rules, categories etc.](#)

Frostwood's PTA Reflections 2014-2015 Chairs:

Heather Halaska, halaskah@sbcglobal.net
Heather Springer, hoosierheather@msn.com

LIBRARIAN'S CORNER

LIBRARY BOOKS DUE BY MAY 19TH! - All library books are due by May 19th. Game time will be rewarded for all classes with 100% of their books returned by the deadline.

SCHOLASTIC SUMMER READING BOOK FAIR - Summer is on the horizon and our students are getting prepared for their trips and summer reading. We will have a Scholastic Book Fair our new library from **May 12-15th!** The focus of this fair is to get the students excited about summer reading. We will have summer reading lists at the fair and books available for you to purchase from them. There will be Bluebonnet and other award winning books galore! Here is the link to the book fair homepage. <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/frostwoodelementaryschool>

Parents, grandparents, and friends may buy books **online from April 26-May 16th**. Scholastic will deliver books you buy online to the students. You will need to use our Frostwood Home Page to access the online fair. There is not a code. If you would like to volunteer for the fair, please email Brenda Ravdel. She will have the schedule for students previewing and buying. Please see the PTA website for the class schedule. The books will be delivered to the school before school is out.

BOOK FAIR TIMES- All Classes will come to library to walk through for preview after their lunch times Monday, May 12th.

Book Fair Buying Times for Tuesday,

May 13th

8:30-9:00 Posey, Suppatkul, Blakely

9:00-9:30 Money, Foytlin, Ferraro

9:30-10 Muras, Leger, Groves

10-10:30 Vanderhorst, Bean, Mallette

10:40-11:10 Pettit, Lam

11:40-12:10 Beman, Buegeler, Garrett

12:40-1:10 Perry, Giaocchini, Smith

1:10-1:40 Meadows, White, Rabel

1:40-2:10 Root, Davis, Janacek

2:10-2:40 Open for all who missed
earlier times

Book Fair Buying Times for

Wednesday, May 14th

8:30-9:00 Muras, Leger

9:00-9:30 Money, Foytlin, Lam

9:30-10 Posey, Suppatkul, Blakely

10-10:30 Mallette, Pettit, Ferraro

10:40-11:10 Bean, Groves, Vanderhorst

11:40-12:10 Beman, Buegeler, Garrett

12:40-1:10 Perry, Giaocchini, Smith

1:10-1:40 Meadows, White, Rabel

1:40-2:10 Root, Davis, Janacek, Mayer,
McMullen

2:10-2:40 Cox, Attleson, Eggleston,
Downham

Thursday, May 15th

8:30-9:00 Muras, Leger

9:00-9:30 Money, Foytlin, Lam

9:30-10 Posey, Suppatkul, Blakely

10-10:30 Mallette, Pettit, Ferraro

10:40-11:10 Vanderhorst, Bean, Groves

11:40-12:10 Beman, Buegeler, Garrett

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MUSIC NEWS

During the week of Tuesday May 27-May 30th the music classes in Kinder, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th grades will have Talent Days in the Block Classes and in short music with Mrs. Novero and Mrs. Sykes. **The Monday classes' block and short music talent days will be on June 2nd.**

Fourth Graders Talent Days :

All 4th grade classes during the week of Tuesday May 27- May 30th will hold Recorder Recitals for their parents and for each other during their ***block music time***. The Monday Classes' recorder recital time will be on ***June 2nd.***

During the 4th graders' ***short music time*** with Mrs. Novero, the students may perform other musical talents that they wish to share.

GREEN TIGERS NEWS

The next Green Tigers Meeting will be on **Thursday May 22 at 7:30am in the Library**. We will be celebrating our year with a potluck breakfast and slide show to recap of all of our achievements. Stay tuned for more details.

A big thank-you to all the volunteers who have helped with events in the past month! Jackie Castagnoli for helping with Picnic for the Planet; The Eubanks Family, The Lee Family, The Buegeler Family and Catalina Valdez for helping manage recycling at lfest. Also thanks to the kids and parents who helped hand out stickers at our 2nd Walk, Bike, Scoot to School Day on May 11th. It was great to see so many riders and walkers on a lovely sunny morning!

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES NEWS

The Healthy Lifestyles Committee is extremely grateful and excited about the approved Project Study Request for Urban Harvest's garden education program next year. What does this mean? Urban Harvest will partner with Frostwood to provide a 30 week program during the 2014-2015 school year. We will have a Garden Educator that will work with our students and teachers to allow us to utilize our outdoor classroom to it's fullest potential. The lessons taught will follow grade level TEKS objectives, in subjects such as science, math, social studies, reading, writing and art. The students will be learning these lessons through their interaction with nature and the seasonal growing schedule for our garden. If you would like further information about Urban Harvest, you may visit their website at www.urbanharvest.org.

We will have our final meeting of the year, Tuesday, May 13th, at 11:00am in the FWE Multi-purpose room.

Please plan to attend since we will be wrapping up this year and going over plans for the next. If you are interested in becoming a part of Healthy Lifestyles for next year, you are welcome to come to the meeting to learn more about it.

The next KSHAC meeting will be on Thursday, May 15th at 7:15am, in the library. This will be the final meeting of the year. If you have a current third grader that might be interested in being a part of Healthy Lifestyles next year, they are welcome to attend this final KSHAC meeting to obtain more information. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Rexrode hrexrode@yahoo.com or Marion Thames, marion.thames@springbranchisd.com.

8 Summer Foods to Add to Your Diet - Click [here](#) for a list of healthy and delicious foods to enjoy this summer!

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Mark your calendars for the Kindergarten Talent Show June 3rd at 8:30 a.m.!

1st GRADE NEWS

Our tadpoles and mealworms are here and have made their home in our Science lab! We have been learning about their life cycles, and how exciting it will be to see it happen. Writing in their science journals, drawing what they observe, and having lots of discussions makes learning fun. We are looking forward to our **Portfolio Share day with our parents on Friday, May 16** . A great time to share what first grade is all about!!!

2nd GRADE NEWS

Portfolio Share Day is May 21st.

Stay up to date with 2nd Grade News on our grade level blog at <http://fweteacher2.blogspot.com>

3rd GRADE NEWS

Portfolio Share Day is May 30th.

Stay up to date with 3rd Grade News on our grade level blog at <http://fwe3rdgrade.wordpress.com/author/fwe3rdgrade/>

4th GRADE NEWS

Portfolio Share Day is May 20th.

Stay up to date with 4th Grade News on Ms. Janacek's blog at <http://www.janaceksnews.blogspot.com>

5th GRADE NEWS

DARE BBQ IS FRIDAY, MAY 23RD- The 5th grade DARE BBQ will be held during lunch on Friday, May 23rd. We will need a few parents from each class to help serve during your child's normal lunch schedule. Officer Miller and his crew will be cooking hamburgers for our Frostwood teachers and staff and hot dogs for our kiddos. We will send more details through your class room mom so watch for our email sometime later this week. *Hayley Stewart and Laura Mireles, DARE Chairs*