

# TIGER TALES

FROSTWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL/11339 BRITOAK, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77079

## SPECIAL DATES

**9/17** - Boosterthon Pep Rally; 1st & 2nd Grade Curriculum Night

**9/18** - 3rd & 4th Grade Curriculum Night

**9/19** - 5th Grade Curriculum Night

**9/20** - Staff Appreciation Luncheon; Summer Reading Party (1st & 2nd Grades)

**9/25** - Provine Fall Individual Pictures

**9/26** - Summer Reading Party (3rd, 4th & 5th Grades)

**9/27** - Boosterthon Run Day

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:  
[lisacaroline123@gmail.com](mailto:lisacaroline123@gmail.com)

## FROSTWOOD GENERAL NEWS

**BOOSTERTHON IS HERE!** - Today is the Pep Rally for your children and this is the start of the only fundraiser for the Fall Semester, so let's make it outstanding! Important dates to remember: **September 17- Pep Rally, September 27- FUN RUN- please come and cheer your children on!, October 2- all pledges must be turned in.** Click [here](#) for our informational flyer, and for any questions please contact Dayna Beardsley at [daynatb@gmail.com](mailto:daynatb@gmail.com).

**NEXT PTA MEETING OCTOBER 2ND** - Make plans to attend our next PTA Meeting scheduled on Wednesday, October 2nd at 11:30am at the SBISD Technology Center located at 14330 Memorial Dr. We will have a unique opportunity to see a short demonstration of the technology that will be used by our children at our new campus. You won't want to miss it! *Tracey Rogan, PTA President*

### **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO DONATE TO**

**UNDERWRITING!** - Even though the Big Form deadline has passed, Frostwood PTA continues to accept business and family donations through its Underwriting campaign! Family donations of \$25 or more, and business donations of \$100 or more will receive recognition on the Frostwood PTA website. Go to the Underwriting tab at [Frostwoodpta.com](http://Frostwoodpta.com) to print out a donation form, make your check payable to "Frostwood PTA," then turn it in to the school office or mail to: Molly Holub, 12719 Cobblestone Dr., Houston, TX 77024. Thank you for supporting Frostwood PTA!!

**JOIN THE PTA** - Have you ever been to a Frostwood PTA meeting? If not, now is the time! Sign up to be member of the PTA online at [www.frostwoodpta.com](http://www.frostwoodpta.com). The monthly meetings are informative and fun, especially this year with our rebuilding almost completed! It's a fun way to get to know other parents and learn more about what your kids are doing. The cost is \$6.50 for one parent for the year, \$13.00 for a family, and \$4.50 for those awarded lifetime membership. Questions? Contact Janice Kalinia at [janicegk@hotmail.com](mailto:janicegk@hotmail.com)

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**DRESS CODE CLARIFICATION** - The following dress code was distributed at Meet the Teacher:

1. **Skirts/Jumpers/Dresses (*worn with shorts underneath*\*)** - biker shorts MUST be worn under big legged shorts (i.e. Nike shorts) \**Students have asked what length biker shorts must be under Nike shorts. It was determined that a good guideline is that when a student is standing with hands at sides, hands touch clothing and not skin.*
2. **Tennis shoes or rubber soled shoes** must be worn on gym days & at all times while at the transition campus. Sandals are not allowed for safety reasons.
3. **Please refrain from the following:** (1) Clothing advertising alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, offensive designs, or obscene language (2) Crop top, halter, midriff, spaghetti straps, skin tight shorts, plastic short-shorts, or any clothing deemed to be immodest (3) Head coverings (i.e. baseball caps) (4) Dangle earrings (5) Make-up (6) Perfume.

**A NOTE FROM NURSE NANCY** - Welcome to the 2013-2014 school year! I am so happy to see the smiling faces of your students every day. It is truly a privilege to be their school nurse. At FWE, we promote education and awareness for our students and staff in regard to all health issues. **Food allergies** are an especially important topic that we deal with every day. We follow all district guidelines to keep these students safe and healthy. The **following are some ideas for snacks/treats that are safe** for all kids with any type of food allergy. Please consider these when you are bringing a birthday treat/ special snack, and always check with your child's teacher before bringing a treat: ***Nabisco Teddy Grahams, Rold Gold pretzels (regular flavor or honey wheat), Nabisco Oreos, Goldfish, Keebler Scooby Doo Graham sticks/Bug Bites, Orville Redenbacher's Natural Simply Salted Popcorn, Popsicle Brand popsicles (yellow box) – Orange, Cherry, Grape, Superheroes, Scribblers and firecrackers, Kraft Jet Puffed Marshmallows.*** My door is always open to you! *Nancy Musgrove, RN*

**DAD'S CLUB NEWS** - Don't miss out on our first get together **Monday, September 30th at 7pm**. We will meet at the Halaska's home at 11914 Longleaf to watch football, register and sign up for future events. See you there! *David Baay, Frostwood Dad's Club President*

**GIFTED & TALENTED COMMUNITY AWARENESS MEETING** - Do you think your child might be gifted and should be in the Gifted and Talented Program? If so, you might be interested in finding out more information about the Gifted and Talented Program in SBISD. All interested parents are invited to attend the SBISD Community G/T Awareness Meeting on September 24, at 6:30 pm in the Board Room at the Administration Building, 955 Campbell Road, Houston, Texas 77024. During these meetings the screening and nomination process for the elementary gifted and talented programs will be explained and discussed by Lynette Breedlove, SBISD Director of Advanced Academic Studies. Click [here](#) for the flyer. You may also find more information about the GT Identification Process and Timeline on the Frostwood PTA website [here](#) as well as an application form [here](#).

**HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP!** - If you know of a business that may want to **underwrite or provide lunch for one of our PTA meetings**, please contact Carol Gilmore at [carol.gilmore@comcast.net](mailto:carol.gilmore@comcast.net). Thank you!

**HELP NEEDED FOR SUMMER READING PARTIES** - The Summer Reading Ice Cream Parties will be held Friday, September 20th (1st & 2nd grades) and Thursday, September 26th (3rd, 4th, & 5th grades). We are still working out the logistics and schedules, but be on the lookout for an email with information on how you can help at the parties. Your kids would love to see you there! Also, if there are any food allergies, please contact either Courtenay Nichols at [courtenaynichols@gmail.com](mailto:courtenaynichols@gmail.com) or Felicia Beaver at [fgonzalez932002@yahoo.com](mailto:fgonzalez932002@yahoo.com) so that we may plan accordingly.

## **FROSTWOOD GENERAL NEWS CONTINUED**

**REFLECTIONS PTA CREATIVE ARTS CONTEST** - Students who enter the REFLECTIONS contest will be invited to the **Participation Party Friday, November 8 at 2:15PM** with refreshments, awards and much more. Your student won't want to be left out! 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: **BELIEVE, DREAM, INSPIRE**. We can help with recording music or dance for you if needed. Entries will be collected at Frostwood's library in mid-October. **Entry Collection Dates:** Wednesday, October 16 from 3:00-3:30PM, Friday, October 18 from 7:45-8:25AM, Wednesday, October 23 from 7:45-8:15AM, Wednesday, October 23 from 3:00-3:30PM. Click [here](#) for more information.

**CONSIDER SUBSTITUTE TEACHING AT FROSTWOOD** - It's easy: if you can host a birthday party or coach an athletic practice, you can spend a few hours in a classroom. It's fun: you can meet your kids' friends and get an inside look at the classroom. It's valuable to our school: every hour you spend is money saved for Frostwood. Donate your time to substitute teach in classrooms while our teachers participate in group training events. In order to qualify to volunteer in this program: You must submit a short application to the district. The district will give you a "Fast Pass" form to take to a local business office for fingerprinting. The cost is about \$50.00. You must complete a 5 hour online training seminar provided by the district. The training costs \$25. With \$75 and your time, you can make a huge difference to our school, spend time in the classrooms, get to know staff and students you may not have met before, and benefit your own children by helping our teachers get additional training. Volunteers will not work in their child's class and will not be given access to any individual student's confidential information. Visit the PTA website [here](#) for more information, and If you have any questions, contact Barbara Drumheller at [barbaradrumheller@gmail.com](mailto:barbaradrumheller@gmail.com) or 713-504-4492.

**HOUSMAN SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE** - Housman still needs school supplies! Folders with brads, composition books and notebooks are needed the most. There are 2 bins by the front office for collections. Any donation is greatly appreciated. I will be taking all donations to Housman on Friday, September 20th. I would love a few more volunteers. Two hours a month is all that is requested. The tasks are always simple but the reward is immense. If you have any questions please feel free to contact *Chrissy Dunn* at [cjrd9017@gmail.com](mailto:cjrd9017@gmail.com)

**BOX TOPS** - Don't forget to send your Box Tops collections to school through your child's teacher, place in the mailbox near the recycle bin along parent pick up, or use the collection box in the front office. Please use the printable collection sheet found [here](#) on the Frostwood PTA website. Remember, only regular Box Tops can be glued/taped to the forms. All BONUS type of Box Tops need to be sent in a plastic bag or envelope. Please contact me with any questions at [jana.h.johnson@gmail.com](mailto:jana.h.johnson@gmail.com). *Jana Johnson*

**PTA MINUTES NOW ONLINE** - The Minutes from the August 26, 2013 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 in October.

**FROSTWOOD/JR. LEAGUE MOMS** - Are you interested in having your children be in the Frostwood Elementary picture for the JLH Charity Ball Program? If so, please contact Whitney Gormley at [wvgormley@yahoo.com](mailto:wvgormley@yahoo.com) for more information.

**LITTLE WOMEN, THE MUSICAL!** - Memorial High School Theatre Department presents "Little Women, The Musical." The classic story brought to life follows the saga of the March sisters--Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy--as they grow up in Civil War America. With an engaging score and charming production, this show is sure to delight young and old alike! Performances: Friday, Sept. 27 at 7pm, Sat. Sept. 28 at 7pm. Sun. Sept. 29 at 2:30pm. Limited Engagement--One Weekend ONLY--Buy your tickets early! Go to <http://mhs.springbranchisd.com/FineArts/Theatre/tabid/10837/Default.aspx> for tickets & more information.

## 2013-2014 CLASSROOM CHAIRPERSONS STILL NEEDED

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA meeting and Grade Level coffees and signed up to help in your child's classroom. We still have several openings, so please email Monica Kolb at [monicapk@comcast.net](mailto:monicapk@comcast.net) if you are interested. The following positions are still available:

**Carnival:** Vanderhorst, Foytlin, Beman, Lam, Davis, Attleson

**Winter Party:** Suppatkul, Lam, Mallette, Gioacchini, Root, Eggleston, Cox

**Valentine Party:** Vanderhorst, Mallette, Gioacchini

**Auction:** Bean, Blakely, Foytlin, Lam, Beman, Janacek, Rabel/Yao, Davis, McMullen

**Int'l Festival:** Blakely, Ferraro, Lam, Mallette, Beman, Smith, Janacek, Rabel/Yao, White, Root, Downham, Cox, Eggleston

If you have any questions, you may contact one of the following General Room Chairs:

Janice Kalinia: [janicegk@hotmail.com](mailto:janicegk@hotmail.com) - Valentine's Party

Christine Morse: [morsechristina@mac.com](mailto:morsechristina@mac.com) - Winter Party

Neely Besetsny: [neely\\_k@hotmail.com](mailto:neely_k@hotmail.com) - Carnival

Kristi Robishaw: [kristi@robishaw.com](mailto:kristi@robishaw.com) - Auction

Janice Teske: [the\\_teske5@yahoo.com](mailto:the_teske5@yahoo.com) - Int'l Festival

Please email ASAP as we would like to have the list complete by the end of the week. We publish chair information in the directory and that information is due very soon! Remember, these opportunities are a fun and easy way to get involved in your child's classroom without making a huge commitment. Thank you!

## FROSTWOOD'S RED, WHITE & YOU CARNIVAL!

**T-SHIRTS** - on sale NOW until October 1st at [www.frostwoodpta.com/carnival!!!](http://www.frostwoodpta.com/carnival!!!) With your t-shirt purchase, you will get one **FAST PASS** to move you to the front of the line for one attraction.

**NEW THIS YEAR: THE CARNIVAL SUGAR SHACK!** – This is a No Bake Opportunity . . . we only want your “dough”! Donate to the Bake Sale online at the PTA website [here](#) and we will do the work for you. (You will still have an opportunity to bring 2 treats for the Cake Walk.)

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** - Carnival will be on **October 26th, 2013 from 11:00am-3:00pm at Bunker Hill Elementary School** - 11950 Taylorcrest, 77024. Be on the lookout for more information about Raffle, Pre-Sale of Tickets, Volunteer Opportunities, Cake Walk Donations and more. Your **Red**, White and **You** Carnival Co-Chairs: *Berklee Baay, Neely Besetsny, Melinda Prewett, Jaime Wischoff*



## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES NEWS

**HEALTHY LIFESTYLES COMMITTEE** - If you have a passion for healthy living and would like to be a part of promoting that at Frostwood, please consider getting involved with our committee. Healthy Lifestyles would love to hear your ideas and suggestions on ways that we can continue to grow as we move to our new school. We are particularly looking for those of you that have experience in gardening or a desire to learn, as we prepare to set up the garden on the new campus- no prior gardening experience needed. The next meeting of the year will be **Wednesday, October 9th at 11:00am** at the home of Heather Rexrode, 11926 Wink. If you are interested in joining the committee, please join us at the meeting to learn more or contact Heather Rexrode at [hrexrode@yahoo.com](mailto:hrexrode@yahoo.com).

**KSHAC KIDS' SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL** - KSHAC is a newly formed council that will come up with ways, using teamwork, to promote health and wellness throughout the Frostwood campus while acting as healthy mentors to the student body. There will be opportunities for members of this council to work with and present to the CSHAC, (Campus School Health Advisory Council) and the DSHAC, (District School Health Advisory Council) so that their ideas and suggestions on ways to improve health and wellness around Frostwood can be heard. If you think your student might be interested in being a part of the KSHAC, please have them attend the first meeting on **Thursday, September 19th at 7:30AM** in the school library. They also need to sign up on the Frostwood PTA website under [FrostwoodPTA/KSHAC](#). Questions you may contact *Heather Rexrode* at [hrexrode@yahoo.com](mailto:hrexrode@yahoo.com).

## GREEN TIGERS NEWS

We were excited to see 29 Green Tigers for the first meeting of the year, and we had fun learning how to wash our hands using only one paper towel. We challenged the kids to teach the idea to 3 people! See more info at [http://www.ted.com/talks/joe\\_smith\\_how\\_to\\_use\\_a\\_paper\\_towel.html](http://www.ted.com/talks/joe_smith_how_to_use_a_paper_towel.html)

We have **lots of great activities in store for the coming year** and in response to the brainstorming done by the kids last May we will be doing more service projects at our school and in our community. Some exciting things such as *rainbarrel painting, Recycle Right Challenge, Recycle Bowl, Frostwood Recycles Week, Guest Speaker from Waterwise, a field trip to Waterworks, Carnival Clean-Up* and more!

Due to space constraints at the temporary campus, we have limited the number of kids to 30 and we do have a **waiting list**. As such, if your child misses more than 3 meetings in a row, they may be asked to give up their spot to one of the waitlisted children. We hope you understand this policy. Once we move back to our new school, we should be able to increase membership to 50 children again as we had in the past. If your child would like to be on the waiting list, please sign up at [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090B4BA8AD2EA20-waiting](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090B4BA8AD2EA20-waiting)

There will be a **Meeting for Parents on Tuesday, September 24 at 930am at the Starbucks** at the corner of Memorial and Benignus. We hope that you will attend as we rely on parent support to make this club a success! There are numerous tasks to be undertaken and skills that are needed.  
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## **GREEN TIGERS NEWS CONTINUED**

For example, artistic skills to help guide the rainbarrel painting; help with recycling efforts on campus; especially in Oct/Nov, during the Boosterthon Run, Carnival etc.; manage submissions to Tiger Tales and the website; and we need drivers to help carpool kids to our **field trip October 25th** at the Waterworks Education Center. If you can't make the meeting but would like to help, please email me and let me know your interests. We can't achieve success without your support! Please note, even if you do not have a child in Green Tigers, we can always use more parent support. Green Tigers is a club under the Go Green/Recycling Committee. You are more than welcome to come along and get involved!

Keep an eye on Tiger Tales and the Green Tiger Link on the PTA Website (under the Enrichment Tab) for more useful links and information.

## **KINDERGARTEN NEWS**

No grade specific news this week. Stay tuned for Kindergarten grade news!

## **1st GRADE NEWS**

The **Summer Reading Ice Cream Party** for 1st Grade will be held **Friday, September, 20th**.

## **2nd GRADE NEWS**

The **Summer Reading Ice Cream Party** for 2nd Grade will be held **Friday, September, 20th**.

## **3rd GRADE NEWS**

The **Summer Reading Ice Cream Party** for 3rd Grade will be held **Thursday, September, 26th**.

## **4th GRADE NEWS**

The **Summer Reading Ice Cream Party** for 4th Grade will be held **Thursday, September, 26th**.

## **5th GRADE NEWS**

The **Summer Reading Ice Cream Party** for 5th Grade will be held **Thursday, September, 26th**.