



ROWE LANE ELEMENTARY

Where we are... Ready... Willing and... Able

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From the Principal's Pen

RLE Parents,

Rowe Lane Elementary has recently purchased Ticket to Read online reading program for students in grades K-5. It is an interactive, Web-based, student-centered learning component that promotes practice of actual text reading and provides sequential, structured lessons in phonics. Ticket to Read is available for student use in school and at home with an internet connection.

Ticket to Read: Contains several parts designed to motivate students while providing appropriately leveled opportunities to build fluency, strengthen vocabulary, and reinforce comprehension skills. Students log into the Clubhouse which is customizable and can be filled with furnishings students buy with the tickets earned during the passage reading process. Students can also play games that combine reading skills with electronic gaming. Together, the three parts of Ticket to Read: Reading, the Clubhouse, electronic games, and passage reading, provide a computer-mediated learning environment that keeps students engaged and coming back.

Thank you to all parents and students who participated in the fall fundraiser. Funds from this fundraiser will be used to purchase the Ticket to Read program.

We hope that with parent and teacher encouragement, Rowe Lane students will utilize Ticket to Read at home. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Joni McKee

Principal



November

- 3rd - PTO meeting @ 7:00 in the library
- 4th - Rowe Lane Yaghi's Night (eat at Yaghi's)
- 4th - Green Apple Deposit Day
- 6th - End of 6 weeks
- 6th - PTO Popcorn Friday
- 10th - Music Program (3-5 grades attend) 9:30 & 6:30
- 11th - Student Holiday (Staff Development)

Dates continued

- 12th - Report Cards (1st - 5th)
- 13th - Awards Assemblies (8:00 - 2-5) (1:45-K,1)
- 18th - Green Apple Deposit Day
- 19th - Aramark Thanksgiving Feast
- 19th - Rowe Lane After Dark 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- 20th - PTO Popcorn Friday
- 25th - 27th - Thanksgiving Holidays



YEARBOOK

Don't forget to send us pictures you take of your kids for yearbook consideration. We have already begun collecting many photos, and we don't want your child to be left out as we compile these pictures for use in the yearbook. Please send photos in digital format (CD, flash drive, etc.). Also we will soon begin pre-sale of the yearbook at a discounted price. Be looking for flyers in your child's take-home folder and advertisements around school in the near future. This year we will have full color, soft cover yearbooks with the school name and year printed on the front cover. Early-Bird sales will end December 11th at the price of \$18.00. After the Early-bird deadline, books will be available until we are sold out at the regular price of \$21.00. Save money and order early to secure a yearbook for your child.



ART CORNER

Mrs. Eliades is still in need of clear 2 liter soda bottles and adult old (clean) socks donated to the art room for upcoming projects.





2009 PFALL PFREAK OUT...

Was a huge success. We would like to thank everyone who volunteered to help at the festival. It could not be successful without the help of so many people. Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time and the weather held up for all to enjoy a beautiful day in the sun.



YAGHI'S PIZZERIA NIGHT

The 1st Wednesday of each month is Rowe Lane Pizza Night at Yaghi's Pizzeria. We will receive 15% of purchases made on this night if you say you are from Rowe Lane Elementary. This is a great way to help support your child's school and have an enjoyable easy dinner for the evening.



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

I hope everyone enjoyed the fun dress themes we had for Red Ribbon Week. What a great opportunity to speak with your children about your beliefs on alcohol, smoking, and drug use. Students can look forward to guidance lessons in November about "Caring" and "Working Together." Small counseling Groups are under way and I am enjoying working closely with these students.

Upcoming Dates:

Nov. 9, 10, & 12 – 2nd Grade will be taking the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT). Results will be sent home to parents upon arrival (probably in Dec.)

Nov. 9 – Dec. 14 – Gifted & Talented nomination window. To nominate a student please write a note to your child's teacher requesting that your child be screened for G/T or contact Krista Payne for more information at 594-6626.

Visit the counselor's website (linked from the Rowe Lane website) for family holiday resources such as, Blue Santa, Coats for Kids, or help with holiday meals & gifts.

<http://teacherweb.com/TX/RoweLaneElementary/Payne/>



GYM JIVE

We will be going outside for P.E. from time to time so please have your child wear a jacket to school.

Marathon Kids News

We have over 400 students signed up for this year's program. Please don't forget to jog and mark it on the Tracking Chart. The completed distance will be due in January.

1st Grade Food Drive Update

The goal for 1st grade was to collect 120 food items for the Storehouse in Pflugerville. Congratulations to all of 1st grade!!!! You way surpassed your goal by collecting over 400 items. Kevin & Jami Cochrun who operate this organization presented the first grade classes with a certificate of appreciation during their celebration in the gym. They were very thankful for the donations, which will be used to help feed families in need, especially during this time of our economic downturn. Donations are always appreciated if anyone is looking for a place to give to families in need. They are located at the POP Business Park @ 685 & Split Oak.

MUSIC NOTES

We will have four musicals this year, featuring each color group from Kinder-5th grade (including Pegasus kids).

BLUE group will perform Tuesday, November 10th – Patriotic Program

YELLOW group will perform Thursday, December 17

RED group will perform Thursday, February 11

GREEN group will perform Thursday, March 11



NURSE NOTES

Make sure your child is fever free (100.3 or less) without fever reducing medication for 24 hours before allowing them to attend school. Remember to get a flu shot if you have not already done so and feel like you would benefit from it.

