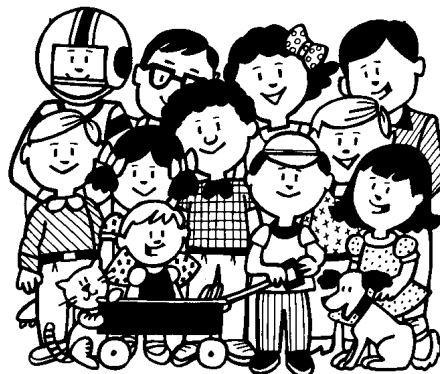


YELLOW SCHOOL NEWS



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We've all been having great fun learning about Texas: rodeos, animals, working on the ranch, songs and much more. The Pre-Ks and the PM classes are going to have a "Texas Tasting Party". Each child will bring something that is grown or made in Texas for everyone to try. The pre-ks and kindergarten children have tried some folk dancing!

The 3s are moving into Spring with a study of various nursery rhymes and fairy tales

After Spring Break we'll be planting and learning about stems and roots, flowers and seeds and celebrating Easter.



NOTE.... We may be experiencing "lion" and "lamb" days for a while; remember, a "lion" day (cool morning) may turn into a "lamb" day (warm afternoon), so please make sure your child has a jacket or heavy sweater each day. **Don't forget: label, label, label!!!**

If you or an older child or grandparent would like to come and read a story, share a skill or interest, etc., please let the teachers know. They would love to schedule a time for you to come in. PLEASE DON'T wait until the last few weeks of school.

Remember, you are always welcome to come visit the school and participate or just observe.

LOOKING AHEAD

FAMILY NIGHT & BOOK FAIR COMING SOON!!!

On Tuesday, April 5, we will have our annual Family Night, which includes a terrific **ART SHOW** here at school. The children really look forward to having their families come to the school and playground to see the wonderful displays of artwork that they have created. There will also be a



train ride around the parking lot and more! A hot dog dinner will be available in Fellowship Hall in the main church building.

Once again, Southwest Books will be providing books for our “ALL Aboard for Reading” Book Fair! In addition to great books, there will be door prizes! Mark your calendars!

WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION!!

SERVICE PROJECT

Because we want children to learn about caring and helping others, it has become a tradition at the Yellow School to have an outreach project in connection with the Book Fair. Wanting something that would involve the children and be meaningful to them, the Parent Advisory Committee decided to purchase books for underprivileged children.

In order to accomplish this, your child will be given a “train bank”. We ask that you give your child the opportunity to do some chores around the house to earn money to put in the bank. Help your child understand that we will put the money all together to buy books for children who do not have many books to read. Banks should be returned to the school by April 5th.

This year the books will be given to Small Steps Early Learning Center..

BEDTIME/DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Now that spring is upon us and clocks leap FORWARD, it is really important that you stick to a bedtime routine and make sure your child gets between 11 and 12 hours of sleep each

night. It is really hard for them to keep up at school if they are tired. You’ll enjoy them more, too. ☺ SPRING FORWARD ON SUNDAY, MARCH 13!



PARENTING TIPS

Developing Self-Reliance & a Healthy Sense of Self Esteem in Your Child

- Show respect for children and adults. Children will try more things when they feel respected and don’t have to worry about being laughed at or put down if they fail.
- Foster trust by being gentle, courteous, consistent and reasonable. In order to build self-confidence, children must feel that they can trust those around them.
- Listen to your child – give her your full attention. Don’t solve problems for your child and be accepting of what he says.
- Ask your child for problem solving suggestions. “You can’t play outside today because it is raining. What would you like to play indoors?”
- Allow your child to make age appropriate decisions. “You may choose whether we have peanut butter or bologna sandwiches for lunch.” Remember, children have to have had some experience with the subject in question in order to make a decision about it. Asking a child who has never been to school if he would like to stay for Lunch Bunch is not appropriate, because the child knows nothing about what school OR Lunch Bunch involves.

- Encourage children to help with chores around the house.
- Acknowledge your child's feelings. If feelings are ignored, sometimes children begin to doubt themselves and wonder if they are all right.
- Set routines so that your child knows what to expect. Let your child know about upcoming events. "Tomorrow is Carter's birthday party."
- Admit when you have done something wrong or when you have been less than "perfect". Children respect you more when you are honest. It is good for them to see that everyone makes mistakes. It is important that children learn that mistakes can be acknowledged and corrected.
- Be patient. All this takes time and setbacks can occur. However, it is worthwhile because children who feel good about themselves and who are self-reliant grow up with the ability to make healthy and appropriate choices.

PAINTING WITH PARENTS

On Tuesday, March 8 (MT and MTW classes) and Thursday, March 10 (all other classes) we will host **Painting with Parents...and other art activities.** Come from 8:30 to 9:00 am and create with your child! It's lots of fun!

BRICKS

During spring break we will be taking bricks in to be engraved. If you'd like to have a brick in place for your child before the end of the year, send your order form in NOW! Forms are available at the front desk and online.

CALENDAR

- Mar. 1 and 3 - Grandpas**
- Mar. 1, 3, 22, 24 – Chapel**
- Mar. 3 – Pre-k's Texas Tasting!**
- Mar. 8 – Kindergarten children to Brazos Bend State Park**
- Mar. 8 and 10 – Painting with Parents from 8:30 to 9:00**
- Mar. 14 – 18 – NO SCHOOL – HAPPY SPRING BREAK!!**
- Mar. 25 – School Closed – Good Friday**
- Mar. 31 – Zoomobile to visit**



Chapel Chat – March

God sent Jesus because He loves us so much! As we prepare our hearts for Easter, we will be hearing stories of Holy Week and Jesus' journey to the cross. From the Gospel we will share this incredible story so your children will understand how truly loved they are!

We invite you to participate in our *Junior Journey to the Cross* on Good Friday, March 25 beginning at 9:30am to noon in the Fellowship Hall. Accompany your preschooler on an interactive walk through Holy Week with age appropriate activities to learn of God's love. And join us for The Easter Family Service on Sunday, March 27 at 10:00 am in the sanctuary.

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