

Pflugerville elementary

Home of the Pfire Ants



February 2017

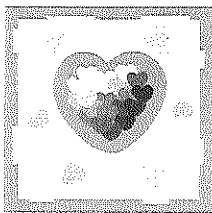
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Mark Your Calendars

- 2/10 Kids Night Out, 6:00-9:00pm,
Cafeteria
- 2/10 Deadline for Valentine Gram order
- 2/11 PfISD Health Fair, 9:00am-noon,
CHS
- 2/14 Class Valentine's Parties
- 2/14 Valentine Grams Delivery
- 2/20 **STUDENT HOLIDAY**
- 2/24 Mt. Playmore Spirit Night, 4:00-
8:00pm
- 2/28 ^{IT'S A HIT} 1st Grade Musical, 1:45pm and
7:00pm



PRINCIPAL ANTOINE'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

The annual STAAR tests for our 3rd-5th grades will take place during March and May this year. Our staff has been hard at work preparing our students for success on these tests. The first round of testing will be administered on **Tuesday, March 28 to 4th grade (Writing) and 5th grade (Math) and Wednesday, March 29 to 5th grade (Reading)**. We are asking for your support in making sure that your children complete their homework everyday, read daily, and get to school on time.

Our Pennies for Patients Drive was a huge success. Thanks to the generosity of our students and families, we received almost \$1600 in donations. **THANK YOU** to Ms. Cunha for overseeing this worthwhile initiative. A big **THANK YOU** also goes out to Ms. Kahla who organized our Science Fair. This year we had the entire 4th & 5th grades participate, as well as a large number of students from the other grades.

We have some exciting events happening in the upcoming months. Our popular Spring Book Fair returns March 3 and March 6-10, and then we will all enjoy a week off for Spring Break, March 13-17. Also, be on the lookout for information from our PTO about our Breakfast with Moms on March 3 and Spring BBQ on the evening of April 21. A lot of volunteers will be needed to help plan and run these events, so please consider donating your time to these fun-filled activity.

Children

Follow directions

Inspire others

Respect others and self

Stay Safe

Try their best

At Pflugerville Elementary School!

Library News:

January was a busy month in the library! Students have been reviewing library basics such as using the catalog and finding good fit books. During mid-January, students studied what qualities make an award winning picture book, and read awesome stories featuring scientists and the scientific method to honor the PES Science Fair. At the end of the month, kindergarten students learned all about how to make friends during our 2nd Annual Stuffed Animal Sleepover. Finally, 3rd-5th grade students were given a chance to vote in the state-wide Texas Bluebonnet Book Contest. This award gives students across Texas the chance to pick their favorite book to be honored at the Texas Library Association Conference this Spring.

Our Spring Book Fair will be here beginning March 3! Be on the lookout for more information.

From the Nurse:

February is American Heart Month -and- National Children's Dental Health Month!



Some ways you can keep your heart healthy are:

- Go run, jump, and play! 60 minutes of exercise a day is recommended for good cardiovascular health.
- Laugh and smile! A happy heart is a healthy heart!
- Speaking of that smile, brush and floss at least twice a day. Brush for at least 2 minutes each time. Healthy teeth and gums can keep your heart healthy.
- Don't smoke or your heart might choke!
- Feed your heart well with yummy fruits and veggies.

Please remember that we are still in the midst of cold and flu season. Keep those coughs and sneezes covered and practice good hand hygiene!

The clinic is needing boys' shorts and pants in all sizes. If you have any gently used clothes, please consider sending them to the clinic. We would also appreciate any tissue and baby wipe donations! Thank you so much!

Student Council News:

Student Council is gearing up for our annual Kids Night Out and we're so excited! We are still accepting spots so send in your forms for a night of fun filled activities! Kids Night Out is Friday, February 10 from 6pm to 9pm. It's \$20 per child and \$10 for additional siblings. Children attending must be PES students and be K-5th grade. Student Council will also be selling snacks at the upcoming performances and we'd love for you to stop by! We can hardly believe it, but we'll be sending home information about the talent show in the coming weeks. Be on the lookout and have a great February!

PES SCIENCE FAIR



Our student scientists created many interesting projects for our PES Science Fair. Students receiving superior point level ratings on their projects have been invited to participate in the **Austin Energy Regional Science Festival** on February 18. There, they will compete with many other projects from other schools in our region of Texas. Special thanks to all the parents for their support and interest.

The following students will be participating in the Austin Regional Fair:

5th grade: Wesley Bocanegra, Jace Glaab, Jady Nelson, Charlotte Williams

4th grade: Luca Boling, Gabi Cruz, William Flores, Aryana Harton, Hazel Jackson, Francisco Luper, Riley Mojica, Gavonni White

Alternate: Grayson Craig

UIL Competition

On January 28, a number of our PES students competed in the District UIL Meet. The following students received medals:

5th Grade Chess

Rhys Gardner - 8th place

Creative Writing

Mia Krause - 3rd place

Annabelle Hasbani - 5th place

3rd & 4th Grade Spelling

Gabi Cruz - 3rd place

5th Grade Spelling

Ja'Rohn Keyes - 5th place

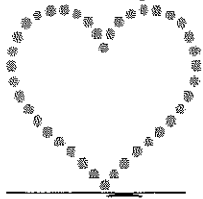
Storytellers

Lauren Palacios - 10th place

From the PTO:

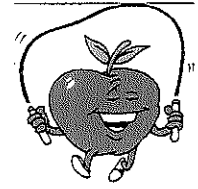
- Valentine Grams are currently on sale! Please look for the separate flier to place your order. Limited Quantities!
- Thank you to all the families who attended our January Spirit Night at Mt. Playmore. We had so much fun that we will do it again on February 24 from 4:00-8:00pm!
- Thanks to all the 3rd grade families who donated desserts for last month's Teachers' Luncheon. This month the PK/K team will host the luncheon on the 23rd. Please check your child's folder for more information.
- We are searching for a parent who would like to be our PTO President for next year. You can self-nominate or nominate someone else. Please notify Rocio Luper by text (210-823-6526 or email at rocioluper@yahoo.com).

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G.Y.M. Shorts



Curriculum Overview

February is American Heart Month, and we will be concentrating on learning about our cardiovascular system and ways to stay heart-healthy. Organs, bones and muscles that will be studied are heart, lungs, and sternum.

Students will continue improving their health-related fitness levels. Students in grades 3-5 will concentrate on components in the *FitnessGram*.

February is also Children's Dental Health Month and we will be partnering with Dr. Anthony Bain Dentistry for Children to bring you their Toothbrush Exchange Program on Feb. 15th and 16th.

One of our main initiatives in February is jumping rope. All students will jump short and long ropes. Meanwhile, students will be learning some money concepts in math by being inducted into the Nickel, Dime, Quarter, Half-Dollar, and Dollar Clubs.

The best way to a child's mind is through his/her hands and feet.

Are you reading this newsletter?

We will have a drawing for 10 physical activity-related prizes. Please sign this portion of the newsletter, cut it out, and return it to school. Thank you! February 13th is the deadline. Drawing will be Friday, February 24th.

Parent's signature

Student's name

Teacher's name

Significant Happenings!

February 3

Wear RED for National Wear Red Day in support of women's heart disease & stroke awareness

February 6 - 24

Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser

February 11

PfISD Health Fair at CHS from 9:00-Noon

February 15 -16

Toothbrush Exchange Program during PE

February 20

No School for students

March 28

Pet Vaccination Clinic from 5-7pm (provides funds for the P.E. department & field day equipment)

Be a lifesaver! Jump Rope for Heart!

As mentioned last year, we will be alternating Hoops for Heart and Jump Rope for Heart so that we may have different outside athletic groups come and demonstrate and help with our kick-offs. This will also help to shorten the fundraising time-frame. Students will, however, continue to jump rope this month in the gym as well as hoop it up in March.

Jump Rope for Heart is sponsored by the American Heart Association. This month, students will be working on their jump rope skills during physical education class and collecting money to help people in our community fight America's No. 1 killers – heart disease and stroke.

Information packets and envelopes will be going home on February 7th.

Marathon Kids Second Group Finishers

“1st Marathon”

26.2 miles

Good Job Pfireant Marathon Kids!

Enrique Ramirez	Monica Galaviz	Alli Gonzales	Sandra Mindieta
Isaiah Smith	Levi Ramsey	Colton Lopez	Kenzley Denton
Breanna Serrano	Ella Cunha	Grace Morgan	Neriah Rodriguez
Landon Teller	Emma Langford	Josias Villamar	Caleb Estrada
Erik Dale	Owen Rabe	Kameron Diep	Kaleb Featherson
Mark Huval	Jackson Cunha	Tyson Le	Valerie Vaquera
Tai’Niya Henry	Kendall Robertson	Katie Tran	Lizzie Moore
Audrey Dale	Daniel Ho	Mrs. Shapiro	Jace Glaab
Claire Loerwald	Adyn Bennett	Calvin Keyes	Hayden Tabor
Wesley Bocanegra	Izzy Estes	Jack Jobs	Aubrey Santos
Nico Boling	Juan Estrada	Theo Hartman	Austin Hackleman
Mia Krause	Matthew Lozano	Audrey Langford	Adam Santos
Jerimiah Barrett	Francisco Luper	Christopher Basquez	Josh Langlais
Angelina Ton	Nicholas Hebert	Cedric Trejo	Michael Ornales
Hazel Jackson	Riley Mojica	Steven Jackson	Nicholas Langlais
Tyler Metcalf	Mekih Clark	Hayley Wiggins	Christopher Castillo
Brayden Metcalf	Kendrick Carter	Ava Charles	Olivia Salaiz
Wesley Reina	Jayce Lilley	Melvin Gonzalez	Parker Sanchez
Nicholas Johnson	Julio Paita-Guzman	Irelyn McClain	Amariah Worth
Stella Thompson	Emma Pinkerton	Aiden Cruz	Gabriel Constaneda
Atticus McClenny	Zoe Zivley	Violet Salgado	Samantha Smallwood
Jaiden Maness	Javian White	Grace Gonzales	Luke Walkup
Kamora Odem	Chase Harton	Semira Girmatsion	Briana Vences
Caleb Smith	Gracie Everett	Jordan Williams	John Paul Leija
Andre Clark	Lillian Flores	Ethan Le	Colby Craig
Kaitlynn Alexander	Chris Arteaga-De Paz	David Wagenseller	Miranda Estrada
Kamdyn Webster	Ivan Chavez-Bueno	Jaci Sanchez	Christopher Alonzo
Fabian Benitez	Rhianna Gutierrez	Kevin Banks	Alexia Benintez
Sebastian Garcia	Asher Miller	Azmy Ho	Tyler Leu
Johnathan Basquez	Quinn Cardwell	Sasha McClain	William Samuel
Jianna Hernandez	Zyler Zivley	Max McFarland	Jesus Martinez
Ethan Ponce	Jayden Albert	Angelina Jimenez	Jacob Ochs
Alexis Wilson	Nabaa Ibrahim	Kevin Hernandez-Perez	O’Neal Ybarra
Noe Guevara	Joselyn Mata-Serrano	Lola Ajibola	Mariah Acuna
Gael Mancillas	Kyler Klaus	Brooklyn Thornton	Angela Ngo
Emily Walker	Izri Davila	Mariah Huerta	Daniel Briseno
Liam Ho	John Kahla	Roland Maldonado	Liam Hiat



PES Valentine-Gram Order Form



Complete the Valentine-grams below and send back to school with payment no later than Friday, February 10. Valentines will be delivered to class on Tuesday February 14.

TO: _____

FROM: _____

MESSAGE: _____

GRADE/TEACHER: _____

TO: _____

FROM: _____

MESSAGE: _____

GRADE/TEACHER: _____

TO: _____

FROM: _____

MESSAGE: _____

GRADE/TEACHER: _____

Snifty Pencil & Mini balloon \$2.00 _____
Whoopee Cushion & Valentine's Candy \$1.50 _____
Love Ninja (Plush Doll) & Valentine's Candy



Pink /Black \$3.50 _____

Valentine Balloon & Valentine's Candy \$2.50 _____

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TOTAL AMOUNT DUE : _____

Please make checks payable to PES PTO

EXTRA ORDER FORMS ARE LOCATED IN THE FRONT OFFICE

If you have questions please contact Rocio Luper at rocioluper@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE – WE HAVE A LIMITED SUPPLY OF VALENTINES AVAILABLE. ORDERS WILL BE FILLED IN THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY ARE RECEIVED. ORDER EARLY FOR GUARANTEED AVAILABILITY!!!

Please provide a phone number and email address in case we need to contact you.

Phone # _____ Email Address: _____

Student Name _____ Parent Name _____