



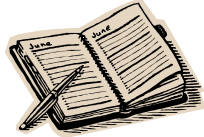
Your Weekly News "Paws"

March 10-12, 2010

The mission of St. Cyprian's Episcopal School is to be a community of learners where students are challenged to achieve their highest academic, spiritual and physical potentials in a Christian setting.



HEADS UP BY BRINN WILLIFORD



The Great Technology Drought of 2010 has come and gone. Big props to both Gayle Jones for being relentless in working with Consolidated to get us back up and going, and to Consolidated for efforts to fix what ailed us. It is good to be reconnected with the rest of the world.



This Friday will be an early dismissal day, as we get a head-start on next week's much-deserved and much-needed Spring Break. We will dismiss at noon, but Creative Care will still be provided as usual until 5:30 that afternoon. Also, remember to set your clocks ahead this Saturday for Daylight Savings Time, so you will have more daylight as your children enjoy their time off.



Don't forget about our Book Fair going on this week in the Lillian A. and George L. Clarke library. Thursday night is Family Night, and Mrs. Lively would love to see you there!



Psalm 31:3 – "For You are my rock and my fortress, for Your name's sake You will lead me and guide me."

Brinn Williford, Head of School

Mark Your Calendar

Mar. 5 th -12 th	Book Fair
Mar. 11 th	Free Dress Day
	Family Night at the Book Fair
Mar. 15 th -19 th	Spring Break
Mar. 22 nd	4 th Grade Parent Meeting
Mar. 23 rd	Cookie Dough Delivery
Mar. 25 th	"Not So Free" Free Dress Day
	4 th and 5 th Grade Dessert Bake-Off
Mar. 26 th	PSIA
Mar. 27 th	Houston Spelling Bee
Mar. 29 th	2 nd Grade Parent Meeting



DI Photo Shoot Wednesday

Attention DI participants: please remember to bring your medals to school on Wednesday for a photo shoot.



Bayou Bash Dessert Bakeoff

Our 4th and 5th graders will be competing in a Bayou Bash dessert bakeoff on Thursday, March 25th, at 8:30 am. The winners will have their entries auctioned off at Bayou Bash. Our judges for this year's contest will be: Emily Watts, Director of Public Relations and Special Events for Brookshire Brothers; Jack Gorden, Mayor of Lufkin; Elaine Hunter, St. Cyprian's Board Member; Brad Hlozek, Chief Meteorologist for KTRE; Melissa Hayes, reporter for the Lufkin Daily News; and Stephanie Oliver, Editor-in-Chief of Journey Magazine and mom of St. Cyprian's students.



BOX TOPS WINNERS

Congratulations to Mrs. Luce's 2nd graders for winning the Box Tops Cookie Cake Party. Our next turn-in date is April 9th, when the class with the most Box Tops will win an Ice Cream Party. So keep clipping and saving those Box Tops!!!



Bayou Bash Notes

Royal Street Raffle tickets will go home this week. The Bayou Bash Committee is asking that each child sell 12 tickets. We do have

additional tickets available in the office if you need them. Remember the 3 students selling the most tickets will receive cash prizes!!!

Also, this is the last week to submit auction item forms to make it in the auction booklet. Please drop by Sheila's office to get your item included.

Rambler! Rhino Raffle

Ross Motorsports and St. Cyprian's have teamed up this year to provide you with the opportunity to win a new 2009 Yamaha Rhino ATV *with a trailer!*

The Rhino and trailer will be awarded to the holder of the winning raffle ticket at Bayou Bash. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10! If you would be willing to help us by selling tickets please drop by the office and we'll fix you up! We also have posters available if you would like to display one at your place of business.

Report Cards Will Go Out Tuesday

Thanks to our own Gayle Jones and Consolidated Communications, our internet service was restored last Friday. Now that we are up and running, our teachers are working to get all of the grades in the RenWeb system so that report cards can go out tomorrow, Tuesday, March 9. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Grade Level News

3K News: Leaping Leprechauns! We will continue our unit on weather and slide right over the rainbow into some St. Patrick's Day fun. Leprechauns and clovers will sprout all over as we celebrate this lucky holiday. Our letter of the week is T, and our number is 17. Don't forget that next week is Spring Break. Have a great week off, and we'll see you in the spring!

4K News: We will finish our unit on Space this week. We will re-enter the Earth's atmosphere after we have toured our Milky Way. We will create art work depicting what we saw in space. The knowledge we have gained from our exploration will help us write a story about our travels and we will brainstorm what an alien from another planet might look like. We will also create our very own alien puppet. Also, we will be on the lookout for our friend, O'Reilly the Leprechaun. He visits our campus every year and leaves our class several surprises during the week. Don't forget!! We will leave right after Chapel on Friday morning for the SFA Planetarium. Please send \$1.50 for this trip, if you have not already done so. Happy Spring Break!! Our Students of the Week are Landon Mundt, Madison Johnson, Maggie Grider, and Cailyn Crow.

Kindergarten News: The Texas Parade was a hit! The floats and outfits were superb. Thank you parents for helping to make this a fun way to learn about our great state of Texas. The kids enjoyed eating our Texas style lunch of chili, Dr. Pepper and Bluebell ice cream. This week we will begin our animals unit. During language arts we will be using a variety of animal books to enhance our reading and writing skills. During science, we will begin our "Animals Two by Two" unit. This unit includes comparing goldfish to guppies, night crawlers to red worms, pill bugs to sow bugs and land snails to water snails. This week we will begin with goldfish. We will observe goldfish, find out what goldfish need to survive and learn the parts of a goldfish. Then we will compare the goldfish to guppies. A lot of hands-on science will be happening in 5-K! Our Students of the Week are Lauren Gentry and Bella Aldred.

1st Grade News: First, I want to thank all of the parents who helped to make our Texas parade a smash hit. The floats, costumes and props were awesome!!! I hope you had as much fun as the students did. Oh... and some learning took place too. This week we will wrap up our Texas unit and have a little fun with St. Patrick's Day. In math we are still working on geometric shapes. Students will identify corners, shapes with flat surfaces, and shapes with curved surfaces. Cason Landry and Reagan Hill are our Students of the Week.

2nd Grade News: Second grade will be finishing our novel about the Insect Invaders. We have had a

frightening time being an insect. We were nearly "food" for the praying mantis. We will be studying our new vocabulary words from the novel and writing about insects in our journal. In science we have started our research on an unusual insect. We will make an example of the insect for a display. Please watch for the invasion of insects! In math we will continue to study 2-digit subtraction. We are still working on our flash card addition facts. In English we will work with adjectives for Taste, Smell, Feel and Sound. Our Student of the Week is Madison Haney!

3rd Grade News: We are reading *James and the Giant Peach* and working on Target Reading. We are studying vocabulary, and our spelling test will be on Thursday due to the noon dismissal on Friday. We are studying articles and comparing adjectives. Third grade will have a guest on Friday, March 12 for SEEK. Brad Hlozek, from KTRE will visit with the students and tell us all about weather. We will finish our study about the history of Lufkin. In science we are still studying about wind. In math, the third graders will be learning more about the division process and polygons. We will also be taking a benchmark test this week.

4th Grade News We are reading *Ruby Holler* and working on Target Reading. We are studying prepositions and objects of prepositions. Fourth grade will study about light and heat in science. There will be no science test this week. In Texas History we will work on map activities and study about "Texas Today". There is no test in Texas History this week. In math, the fourth graders will be learning more about fractions and decimals. We will also be taking a benchmark test this week.

5th Grade News: We are reading *Charley Skeddadle* and working on Target Reading. We are studying prepositions and objects of prepositions. We will do our Spanish SEEK project on Thursday morning. Fifth grade will have a science test on Wednesday and a social studies test on Thursday. We'll be finishing the chapters in both subjects and reviewing for the tests. We'll also have activities to review the Constitution. In math, the fifth graders will be working more with percents. We will be taking a benchmark test this week.

4th and 5th Grade will be participating in a Dessert Bakeoff for Bayou Bash. The letters went home Friday, and the forms must be back to Mrs. Allbritton by March 12. The top fourth grade student and top fifth grade student in the bakeoff will have their dessert auctioned off at Bayou Bash.

3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade have a new Reading Counts goal of 45 for this six weeks that ends on April 16. If your child has not reached that goal, a note was sent home on Friday to let you know the points that they do have.