



Your Weekly News "Paws" May 10-14, 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

This is probably the most important information I can provide for you at this point in the year, and that is a complete schedule of events between now and the end of the year:

- May 11th – First grade goes to Grapeland Drive-Through Safari Ranch
- May 13th – "Not So Free" Free Dress Day
- May 13th – "Boy Talk" with Dr. Glass after school
- May 14th – Field Day (in case of rain we will reschedule for Monday, May 24th)
- May 17th – All Library books are due
- May 17th-21st – Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 17th-21st – Therapy conferences
- May 20th – Talent Show at 1:30 in the gym (a change from 2:00)
- May 21st – Fourth & fifth grade Science Fair
- May 26th-27th – Fourth & fifth grade Math Olympics
- May 27th – PreK Graduation and Early Dismissal
- May 28th – Upper Grade Graduation & Noon Dismissal

Psalms 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

Parent Survey

A Parent Survey went home last week. Please take a few moments to fill it out and return it to the office by Friday, May 14th, to be registered for a chance to win a gift certificate from Outback.

Conferences for Therapy Students

The therapy team will be holding conferences for therapy students the week of May 17-20. Please return your green conference signup sheet. If you need another one, let Mrs. McCarty know.

FIELD DAY FRIDAY

Field Day is finally here! Come join the fun and be prepared to get wet this Friday, May 14th. The dunking booth will open at 8:00, with guest of honor Trey Ainsworth getting dunked by members of our top reading classes. At 9:00 the games and activities will officially begin. Please wear your Field Day T-shirts, shorts, and TENNIS SHOES (old ones if you have them) – NO flip flops, sandals or crocs. Also bring a towel to dry off between events and a water bottle. The snack cart will be open for business outside the gym, so bring money in a Ziploc baggie. Make sure all items are labeled with the student's name. And don't forget to wear sunscreen! Students staying for Creative Care should bring a dry set of clothes to change into.

In case of rain, Field Day will be rescheduled for Monday, May 24th.

HIT THE ROAD WITH CAMP LION

Take a road trip to a new destination each week this summer at Camp Lion. St. Cyprian's Episcopal School is offering Camp Lion for ages 3K through completed 5th grade. Registration for the camp is \$35. The cost of the camp is \$80 a week and includes a Camp Lion t-shirt, breakfast, snacks and lunch, arts and crafts, outdoor activities, gymnastics, and much more. Each week of camp is centered on a different destination. Weekly destinations include the following: Mountain Mystery, The Great Safari, Camping under the Stars, Can you Dig It, Bon Appétit, Down Under, Cruisin' the Caribbean, and Camp Rewind. The camp runs June 7th through August 6th and will be open from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Registration forms can be picked up at St. Cyprian's Episcopal School. Call (936)632-1720 for more information.

East Texas Archery Camp

Come shoot a bull's-eye at the East Texas Archery Camp (ETAC) at St. Cyprian's Episcopal School. ETAC is offered for students entering 4th through 7th grade. The first session is scheduled for May 31st through June 4th from 8 a.m. until noon. The second session is scheduled for August 2nd through August 6th from 8 a.m. until noon. The price of the camp is \$75 and includes all archery materials, ETAC t-shirt and snacks. To register, call (936)632-1720 or come by St. Cyprian's School, located at 1115 S. John Redditt.



Grade Level News

3K News: We hope all of you moms were treated to a lovely Mother's Day. And thanks to all of you who came to parent conferences. It was so nice to visit with you as the school year winds down. This week 3K is going buggy as we start our insects and bugs unit. We will learn all about bees, butterflies, ladybugs, and what makes an insect an insect. Friday is Field Day! This all-school event promises to be wet and wild this year. Please make sure your child wears his or her Field Day T-shirt, shorts and TENNIS SHOES – no flip flops, crocs, or sandals – and brings a towel, water bottle if desired, and money for the snack cart (remember to label all items with your child's name). And don't forget the sun screen! Students who go to Creative Care should bring a change of clothes for the afternoon. Parents are welcome to join in the fun – just dress to get wet!

4K News: This week we will finish our unit on the farm. We have learned so many interesting facts about farm life. We will continue to use farm animals as math manipulatives and story ideas. We will also spend this week reviewing our alphabet and mathematical skills. We will play various learning games to review and reinforce the skills we will need for kindergarten! Also, don't forget - Field Day on Friday! Come out and have a super-soakin' good time!

Kindergarten News: This week we will continue our Seeds, Plants and Trees unit. We are busy compiling information about trees and leaves in our "Trees" book. Please remember to send your leaves collected at home to school this week. We will use these leaves to match them to geometric figures. During math we will continue working on our subtraction skills. We are looking forward to Field Day. This will be a fun and wet day! Please remember to wear tennis shoes that can get wet (no sandals, crocs or flip flops)! Also, please put plenty of sunscreen on your child as we will spend the day outside. If you want to send a water bottle, please put your child's name on it. We hope you will be able to join us for this fun filled day. Please look for all guided readers, library books and learning packs. These items must be returned by next week. Thanks for all you do!

1st Grade News: We are so excited about our trip to Grapeland and to the Safari Ranch. Go to www.grapelanddrivethrusafari.com to see what animals we will be able to see, touch and feed. Please send money and a lunch for the trip. It will be an awesome experience! On Wednesday and Thursday we will complete our dinosaur research and investigation. Friday we will have fun in the sun as we celebrate with Field Day.

2nd Grade: Second grade will be reading their novel, *Charlotte's Web*. The students are working on 3-digit subtraction and addition facts. They will need to know facts for a Math Addition BINGO game. We will be working with our spelling words but will not have a final spelling test because it is a short week due to Parent Conferences and Field Day. We will review dictionary skills and see who can find the "word" the quickest! In language we will be working with words that have suffixes and prefixes.

3rd Grade News: Third graders are continuing their study of the solar system in science. In social studies, we are learning about different countries of the world. We will study week 32 in spelling and continue reading *Tales of a Fourth Nothing*. We will also study homographs and homophones. We will write a narrative and continue to work on handwriting. The third grade will continue to review the year in math.

4th Grade News: Fourth graders are studying about body systems in science and reading *Johnny Texas* in our Texas History class. We will read our novel, *Holes*, as well as *Rivers in the Rain Forest*. We will also study week 32 in spelling and learn more about sentence errors. In math, the fourth grade will be learning more about dividing fractions and ratios.

5th Grade News: Fifth graders are assigned a United States president whom they will be researching for a written report. We will work on the report in class. We will study week 32 in spelling, and we will read in our novel, *Number the Stars*. We will also work on complex sentences and sentence variety. In math, the fifth graders will be finishing their book - only 3 lessons to go!

4th and 5th Grade: The Science Fair is May 21. Awards Ceremony will be at 10:30.

Teacher Appreciation Week May 17-21

Students, help us celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week next week by bringing back fond memories for your teachers of their own school days. Each day you can dress to represent a different time period from the past, present, and future. The schedule is as follows:

Monday – 50s Style
 Tuesday – Tie Dye
 Wednesday – 80s and 90s
 Thursday – Current Fashion
 Friday – What You Want to be When You Grow Up

So ask your parents if you can rummage through their closets for those clothes from their youth, and help bring smiles to the teachers' faces next week.