



# Your Weekly News "Paws"

May 17-21, 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

Field Day was awesome! Thank you Coach Gentry for all of your hard work in putting it together. The students all had a wonderful time getting soaked – I know I did!

As the days go by, this list gets shorter, but there is still plenty to keep us busy for the next two weeks.

- May 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> – Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> – Therapy conferences
- May 20<sup>th</sup> – Talent Show at 1:30 in the gym (a change from 2:00)
- May 21<sup>st</sup> – Fourth & fifth grade Science Fair
- May 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> – Fourth & fifth grade Math Olympics
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – PreK-5K Graduation and Early Dismissal
- May 28<sup>th</sup> – 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

### Outback Winner!

Congratulations to Lisa Reid who won the gift certificate to Outback for the survey drawing. You can still turn surveys in to the office - we value your opinion!

## STUDENT DRESS FOR TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

- MONDAY – 50S STYLE
- TUESDAY – TIE DYE
- WEDNESDAY – 80S AND 90S
- THURSDAY – CURRENT FASHION
- FRIDAY – WHAT YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP

## Spring Picture Orders Due This Friday!

Make sure you turn your picture orders in by Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, in order to receive your pictures by next Wednesday.

## PTO Wraps Up

The final PTO meeting of the year will be next Monday, May 24, at 8:15 AM in the Science Lab.



## Music Notes

We are winding up another great year of music at Saint Cyprian's! It is really a pleasure and blessing to teach music to these precious students. There are so many talented, energetic and creative kids at our school. All of the classes have been preparing for various events this month like Teacher Appreciation, Talent Show, Closing Exercises and Kindergarten Graduation.

I am very excited to be taking the First Grade classes to sing at the Neches House on Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. They will be singing some Texas favorites, and patriotic songs, plus the songs they performed at Grandparent's Day from the movie, "Mary Poppins." I know the residents will enjoy them.

I hope everyone will join us in the gym for the Talent Show on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30. The students will be performing a wide variety of acts including singing, dancing, instrumental performances and animal acts!

Thank you, parents, for allowing me to work with your children. As always, thank you for all of your help and support. Have a wonderful summer!

*Karen Greer*

## Yearbook Volunteers Needed

Do you have a knack for scrapbooking? If so, we need you! The St. Cyprian's staff need help putting the 2009-2010 yearbook together. You can even do it from home or by the pool on your laptop! Please email Sheila if you can help out: adam-s@saintcyprians.org.

## Box Top Winners!



Ms. Owen's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class won the final Box Top party of the year with 68 box tops per student. They will receive an ice cream party before the school year is out. Thank you to everyone for collecting box tops. There were over 3000 box tops turned in this month – that is more than \$300 for the school. Great job!

## Uniform Donations

Please consider donating your used uniforms to St. Cyprian's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class. Each year the 4<sup>th</sup> graders sell used uniforms to raise money for their trip to Camp Allen. Uniforms may be dropped off in the office over the summer. A flyer will be mailed out to all registered families with dates and times of the uniform sale.



## Grade Level News

**3K News:** We're hitting the beach! This week we will start our final unit, Oceans and Beaches. We'll talk about the different creatures that call the ocean home, and explore fun things to do at the beach. Next week we'll be wrapping up the year with our 3K party on Tuesday and our Closing Ceremony on Thursday. Look for details in backpacks soon.

**4K News:** After working hard all year in 4K, we will be reinforcing all the wonderful things we have learned through the use of fun games and learning activities. This is also a great week to revisit our favorite books and characters from throughout the year. Parents, this is a friendly reminder to please not forget to send \$4 to help out with the end of the year party, if you have not done so already.

**Kindergarten News:** We had a blast getting wet and muddy during Field Day. Thank you parents for all your help! Way to go Tristan Minguez for reading the most pages on campus and for dunking Mr. Williford! Congratulations to Nick Hineman and Breeasia Terrazas for receiving the "Good Sportsmanship Award"! This week we will wrap up our "Trees & Leaves" unit with an investigative excursion to The Forestry Museum. We will leave around 8:45 for our 9:00 tour on Tuesday, May 18th. Please have your child in dress uniform for the trip. They may bring clothes to change into according to this week's special dress activities. During math, we will wrap up Chapter 12 (addition and subtraction). During center time, we will be working on end of the year assessments. Please remember to return all guided readers, library books, learning packs and the \$10.00 charge for cap and gown rental.

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade News:** Last week was awesome! Our field trip was fantastic and field day was simply awesome!! Thanks to all of the parents who helped out and provided snacks. You make things so nice for everyone. This week should be just as good. On Monday, our fabulous first graders have the privilege of going to The Neches House to perform songs that they have learned in music throughout the year. Mrs. Greer and the students will get to show off how awesome they are! We will spend the rest of the week learning about the rainforest. We will discuss products that we have today because of rainforest exploration.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Second grade will be finishing their novel, *Charlotte's Web*. We will watch the movie and compare events in the novel to the movie. We are practicing 3-digit subtraction and having fun with some math practices that we have not been able to complete. We will practice our skills that we have learned. In science we will be doing some experiments that teach us about the mystery of our everyday life. In language arts we will make a puppet and write a play or tell our favorite jokes.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade News:** Third graders will focus on social studies and our world geography. We will study week 33 in spelling, do handwriting, and work on vocabulary. We will learn more about negatives and double negatives. We will read children's magazines in class. The third grader students will continue the review of the year in math.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade News:** Fourth graders will continue to study about our body systems, read *Johnny Texas*, and finish our Texas Symbols Booklet. We will study spelling words week 33 and continue reading *Holes*. We will study commas and colons. We will also study vocabulary and pictures. In math the fourth graders will be learning more about decimal numbers and rounding mixed numbers to the nearest whole. There will be no homework for the fourth and fifth graders Thursday night in preparation for the Science Fair on Friday.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade News:** 5th graders will write their reports about a United States President. We are doing all the work at school. These papers will not be due until Tuesday, May 25 because of the Talent Show and the Science Fair scheduled for this week. We will study spelling words week 33 and continue reading *Number the Stars*. We will study vocabulary and pictures. We will work on complex sentences, fragments, and run-ons. The fifth graders will be finishing their math book this week. They will be learning Roman numerals, areas of prisms and the sum of the angles of a triangle and quadrilateral. There will be no homework for the fourth and fifth graders Thursday night in preparation for the Science Fair on Friday.

## Talent Show and Science Fair

The Talent Show is Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30 to 3:00, and the 4th and 5th grade Science Fair is Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, from 8:30-10:30. The judges for this year's 4th and 5th grade Science Fair are:

Amanda Anderson, Angelina Beautiful/Clean  
Duane Hartman, Lufkin Industries  
Scott Thompson, Lockheed Martin

Thank you all for taking time out of your busy schedules to serve as our judges!

## Field Day Thanks!

Thank you to all of the specialty teachers and therapists who devoted so much of their time to help organize and run this year's Field Day! Thanks to you, a fun, wet and wild time was had by all! Thanks also to all of the parents and core teachers who kept things moving. I couldn't have done it without you!

Coach Gentry