Dear Parents and Students, We hope that you have all had a great weekend! As we embark on another week, a few reminders:

9/27/15

Our Parent Lighthouse Team is new this year and we would like to have our initial meeting on Wednesday September 30th at 8:00 in room 126 at Tuscany.

Our goal this year is to train a team of parents on the 7 Habits of Healthy Kids. Once trained, our parent Lighthouse team will help support our school by working with students and staff. The training will cover all 7 habits and will last about an hour. We will cover the first three habits on September 30th and the remaining four habits on October 28th. Please let me know if you are still interested and if you can attend the training! Thank you so much for your interest and for supporting our school! RSVP: Heidi Staples, Counselor at hstapl@neisd.net

On a safety note, we need help from our morning car riders! Our staff members arrive at 7:15 for the start of the school day; therefore, if they arrive before, this is their personal time to collaborate, plan, and/or do additional things to prepare their classrooms unless they have designated tutoring with specific families.

We have a large number of students dropped off prior to 7:00a.m. Please know that I have two staff members that come in at 7:00a.m. to help monitor the group of students. Any students that are dropped off prior are not supervised. This is a safety concern; therefore, we want to let parents know so that you can help us out. Unfortunately, students are here almost an hour before school starts at 7:40a.m. This makes for a long day!

I realize work schedules often require a commute and that is why we have a few paid employees to come early to assist our families. Since we do not have daycare opportunities for the morning, we are asking for your assistance for the safety of our students. Please avoid dropping off at 7:00a.m. If you need to drop off early, 7:00 a.m. is the earliest that staff will be available to monitor.

Thank you, Tara Bailey



Upcoming Dates

Sept. 16th-30th- Box Tops Contest

Wednesday, Sept. 30th - Parent Lighthouse Team Mtg. (Come join us!) 8a.m., Room 126

Eat for a Cause at Chick-fil-A 281/1604 (More info coming)

Thursday, Oct. 1st- WatchDOGS Breakfast 7:15-8:15a.m.

Friday, Oct. 2nd - PTA Presents ... Author Visit: Kimberly Willis Holt (Kinder-5th)

Friday, Oct. 9th - Early Dismissal at 12:40pm/ Staff Development for Faculty

Monday, Oct. 12th- Student/Staff Holiday, Columbus Day- NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, Oct. 14th - Fall Picture Retakes

Friday, Oct. 16th- End of the 1st Nine Weeks Grading Period

4th and 5th grade parents,

You may now access your child's complete STAAR results from last year on the Parent Portal. The standard for Math was recently set, so you will now be able to view all information pertaining to the 2014-2015 STAAR performances. Hard copies of student scores will be sent home with students this week.

Go to:

NEISD Parent Portal

(https://portal.neisd.net/NEISDPortal/DesktopModules/DesktopDefault.aspx)

"Tests" Tab

Select your child's name

The Unique Access Code is found below your child's name

Click on "Click here to open the state student data portal login page"

Enter in the Unique access code & Date of Birth

Lifetouch School Pictures

Haven't ordered yet? Don't miss this year's school picture!

- 1. Go to mylifetouch.com
- 2. Log in with your Portrait ID and Access Code located in your picture package

<u>Pedidos en español disponibles por Internet.</u> Utiliza tu ID del retrato y el código de acceso de tu paquete del retrato.

To redeem your complimentary digital SmileSafe card, <u>click here</u>.

Parent/Guardian, how was this year's school picture experience? Take survey.

PTA News

T.H.E. PTA ONLINE STORE IS STILL OPEN! – You can still go online and order your THE Spirit Gear, donate to Greenbacks, and join PTA! Go to www.TuscanyHeightsPTA.org and click on the WELCOME BACK section! Some quantities of our spirit items are limited so order today!

Eat for a Cause – Save the date! Join your Tiger family for dinner at Chick-fil-A at 281/1604 on Wednesday, Sept. 30. Look for a flyer early this week.

PTA General Meeting – Come jump, learn and be active with us at our Run for the Heights and Wellness Night PTA Meeting on Tuesday, October 6th at 6:00. Bring your kids and come dressed in your workout clothes and be ready to jump rope with the Jumping Dragons and get fit with JC Ultimate Training! While there you will also learn about our upcoming Run for the Heights. The kids will receive a free homework pass. You don't want to miss it!!!

Reflections – Let Your Imagination Fly!

Are you crazy about filmmaking, music composition, writing, taking pictures, painting or drawing or dancing?
Well, this is your chance to LET YOUR IMAGINATION FLY! This program

is provided as a member benefit to all families who have joined PTA! You can check out the rules and print the student entry forms for your specific category at: http://www.txpta.org/programs/reflections/participate/ Submissions with all completed forms are due Friday, October 23.

Watch D.O.G.S. breakfast Join your kids for breakfast in the library, Thursday, October 1 at 7:15. Come learn more, sign up, and order your t-shirt. Order forms will be available at the meeting in addition to the <u>THE PTA website</u>. The shirt order will be placed on October 1 and shirts should arrive by October 15th.

Box Tops Contest Ends September 30

Begin with the end in mind and start collecting NOW!
Brought to you by Bahama Bucks –Stone Oak location - It's a BLIZZARD IN SEPTEMBER! Click here for more forms!
09/16-09/29 HEB Bonus Box Tops! Buy 10 Box Top products, get 60 box tops, buy 15 Box Top products, get 100 box tops!

Wacky for Khaki! – We are still collecting new school uniforms and underwear for our sister school, East Terrell Hills – Look for the donation box in the entryway through 09/30. For more info visit www.tuscanyheightspta.org

Plug in with PTA and Back the Future!
THE PTA Website www.tuscanyheightspta.org
Run for the Heights Website www.runfortheheights.tuscanyheightspta.org
Tuscany Heights Volunteers Link
www.volunteerspot.com/group/35885320036