



## Fielder eNews for week of 9-18-17

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### Celebrate Freedom Week & Constitution Day

Celebrate Freedom Week will be recognized September 18-22 with Constitution Day recognized on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Constitution Day commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution by thirty-nine brave men on September 17, 1787, recognizing all who are born in the U.S. or by naturalization, have become citizens. Students will be learning about the history of the US Constitution and Declaration of Independence. We encourage students to join in the celebrations next week by wearing **Red, White, and Blue** and/or **Patriotic** attire throughout the week.

**Open House has been rescheduled for Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. We will start in the Gym with a Bond Presentation at 5pm. From 5:30pm-6:30pm the building will be open to Parents, Guardians, Students, and their guest.**

**Grandparents Day has been rescheduled for Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.**

### 5th Grade GT Screening (non-Challenge students)

Dear Parents of 5th Graders,

Last week, a letter from the GT Department was included in your child's take-home folder. If your child is currently participating in Challenge they did not receive this letter, since they have already been screened. Unlike screening for Challenge, screening for GT secondary services occurs in the fall semester. If you or your 5th grader is interested in screening for Math, Science, Social Studies, and/or English/Language Arts, now is the time to act. Please complete a Secondary Parent Checklist located online at <http://www.katyisd.org/dept/GT/Pages/default.aspx>. The Secondary Parent Checklists have an extended due date: Friday, October 13th. For every 3 or 4 you circle, please provide a description of your child's behavior in this area. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know by email: [NatalieEMahr@katyisd.org](mailto:NatalieEMahr@katyisd.org).

### Kindergarten Challenge Screening

Dear Parents of Kindergartners,

In last week's take home folder, a packet was included from the GT Office. If you are interested in screening your child for Challenge, Katy ISD's weekly pull-out program for identified Gifted & Talented students, then please refer to the packet for important information. There is also an online presentation that explains more about the screening process. Please use this link to access it: <http://www.katyisd.org/dept/GT/Pages/Kindergarten-Screening.aspx>.

Included in the packet is a copy of the Parent Checklist. This is the first step in screening for your child. For every 3 or 4 you circle, please provide a description of your child's behavior in this area. Once the checklist is completed and signed, please return it by Tuesday, October 3rd. Additional copies of the Kindergarten Parent Checklist are also available online. For any questions or concerns, please contact me at by email [NatalieEMahr@katyisd.org](mailto:NatalieEMahr@katyisd.org).

### **Transfer Students**

For those who recently moved to the Fielder area, we are now screening transfer students. These children were previously identified as Gifted and Talented students in their former schools. If this applies to your family, please contact me. We will work together to find the best placement for your child. If you have any questions or concerns about screening, please contact me at [NatalieEMahr@katyisd.org](mailto:NatalieEMahr@katyisd.org).

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### **Notes from the Library**

Next Week will be filled with author visits for grades K, 1, 2, 3, and 5! Be on the lookout for information for an author visit for 4<sup>th</sup> grade later in October.

**K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade parents** – An order form went home last week for books for an author visit from Angela Dominguez. She will be visiting on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Dominguez writes and illustrates bilingual picture books. She also illustrates for a Texas Bluebonnet nominated series, Lola Levine. The due date on the order form is September 8<sup>th</sup> because the forms were printed prior to our leave of absence. The due date is now September 22<sup>nd</sup>. You can also order online at <https://tinyurl.com/y6wrf9lh>

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parents** - An order form went home today for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and last week for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for books for an author visit from Chris Barton. He will be visiting on September 27<sup>th</sup>. All orders are due on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Chris Barton is the author of picture books including bestseller *Shark Vs. Train*, Sibert Honor-winning *The Day-Glo Brothers*, and Texas Bluebonnet Award Master List books *The Amazing Age of John Roy Lynch* (2016-17) and *Whoosh!: Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions* (2017-18). Learn more about him at <http://www.chrisbarton.info/>

**5<sup>th</sup> grade parents** – An order form went home today for books for an author visit from Soman Chainani. He will be visiting on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Chainani writes the New York Times Bestselling series *The School for Good and Evil*. Learn more about it at <https://schoolforgoodandevil.com/the-series/> All orders are due September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Counterman at 281-237-6478 or [katherinecounterman@katyisd.org](mailto:katherinecounterman@katyisd.org).

## *Information from the PTA*

**Hospitality** - Thank you everyone for the generous donations for the teacher's lunches on Tuesday and Wednesday before school started. The teachers and staff enjoyed everything that was donated. You are all awesome!!! Be on the lookout for a sign up beginning of October for a Halloween treat for the teachers and staff. Thanks again for all the support and help!

**Volunteer Breakfast** - In the wake of Hurricane Harvey, our 'PTA hosted' Volunteer Kick Off Meeting has been RESCHEDULED to **Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 9.00am** in the Cafeteria!

Whilst being sensitive to the impact that Harvey has had on our community and the hours of volunteering many of you have been doing for friends, neighbors and our community during this difficult time - we are still planning to run the majority of school events as previously scheduled! We want this school year to be as normal and fun as we can for our children!!!

Are you new to Fielder? Perhaps you have never volunteered before but maybe want to see what your options are to get involved? Then this is the perfect opportunity for you to find out more about the volunteer options we have here at Fielder. Come by and hear about all our different volunteer opportunities, meet the Principal and talk to PTA members about how to get involved!

**Trunk-Or-Treat** - Fielder's annual Trunk-or-Treat event is right around the corner and we are now accepting candy donations! If you could donate some bags of candy for us to pass out to all the kids during Trunk-or-Treat that would be so amazing. Please feel free to drop off any donations in the front office. Thank you!!

**Auction Parties** - Every year at our Trunk-or-Treat event we have a silent auction for various parties. Some parties are for the kids, but we also have plenty of adult only parties to bid on as well. So if you or anyone you know is interested in hosting/sponsoring a party please email: [fundraising@fielderpta.org](mailto:fundraising@fielderpta.org)

Some examples of adult parties are: Crawfish Boil, Baking Parties, Crafting Parties, Grown-up movie night with snacks, Fancy Dinner Party, Wine tasting Party...etc.

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**Membership** - Fielder PTA is off to a great start! We had just over 140 parents, students and faculty renew or start a new PTA membership at meet the teacher. We are so grateful for your support. Why become a member of the Fielder PTA?

\*Eligibility to vote on PTA business at our quarterly membership meetings

\*State and National PTA website access on legislative news

\*Discounts to various companies and retailers [www.txpta.org/member-benefits](http://www.txpta.org/member-benefits)

\*Special Fielder PTA Member discounts and events

Best of all, each membership adds to Fielder, helping to bring technology to the classroom, staff development programs, library support, field trips, MAD lab, special classes, educational programs and FUN to our school and students.

We have a very special promotion that will expire on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Purchase a Membership/Birthday Marquee combo deal for only \$10. Have your child's name on the marquee for the entire week of their birthday and get your PTA membership! The birthday marquee will return to the full price of \$15.00 after 9/8 and PTA membership will be \$8.00. Visit our store at [www.fielderpta.org](http://www.fielderpta.org) to purchase a membership/marquee combo for each of your students.

**Spirit Wear** -Order your 2017/2018 Spirit Wear at [www.fielderpta.org](http://www.fielderpta.org) A restock order will be placed with our vendor very soon. Be sure to get yours in!

**Off Campus Hours** - Volunteers, please don't forget to log all your off campus hours! Whether you are working on a project for you teacher at home, or maybe sitting in the car rider line sending emails to parents we want to know about them! Log in to our site and enter your hours at: <http://www.fielderpta.org/log-hours>

**MAD Lab is Here** - MAD (Mom And Dad) Lab is off to a great start. The dates are set for the 2017-2018 school year. This year the schedule, activity guides and volunteer signups will be located on the Fielder PTA website. Please click on the Fielder PTA link below to volunteer for MAD Lab. <http://fielderpta.org/m-a-d-lab>

The **Sign UP Genius Links** for each grade level will be located on this page. Please find your child's grade level and click on that link. Follow the instructions in Sign Up Genius to volunteer for your child's class. This year the 4 lab dates for each grade level will be in the same Sign Up Genius.

**Important Note: The 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade labs that were missed because of Hurricane Harvey will not be rescheduled.**

First labs for each grade are:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Friday, September 22, 2017
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Friday, October 6, 2017
- Kindergarten - Friday, October 13, 2017

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### **What is MAD Lab?**

MAD Lab is Fielder's hands on science program where a parent works with a small group of 4-5 children in the science lab. Lab activities are selected by the teachers based on the objectives being taught in that grade. Fielder's science lab is a great place for the children to discover the fun of science. This is your opportunity to be involved in the excitement.

User-friendly activity guides for each lab can be found on the Mad Lab page on the Fielder PTA website. On the day of the lab, all the materials needed to conduct the experiment will be ready and waiting for the parents. Best of all, there is NO SCIENCE EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!!!! Who knows? The kids might be teaching the parents.

Looking forward to seeing you in the MAD Lab soon!!!!

Cinco Ranch High School Robotics team is holding their annual Science Day Camp on Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>. All 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to participate in fun, hands-on activities covering the topics of Chemistry, Engineering, Physics, Biology, Aerospace, Astronomy and of course, Robotics. The cost of \$55 includes lunch and a SDC t-shirt. For more information or to register go to <https://crhs-sciencedaycamp17.eventbrite.com>.



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KIDS!! It's time to get your little hands a little (ok maybe a lot) dirty with Nutty Scientists after-school classes. Lots of super fun, super messy awesomeness in each class ...guaranteed! Ooey Gooey Science is a 6-week session every Monday from Sep 25 – Oct 30; 3.45 PM- 4.45 PM. Registration link <https://nuttyscientists.com/fortbend/blog/events/nutty-scientists-club-at-fielder/>

*Calling all Dancers! The Cinco Ranch High School Cougar Stars Dance Team will be holding a dance clinic on November 3rd (4:30-8:00) for your children! The following day, November 4th, the dancers will perform in the pregame victory lines and at halftime with the Cougar Stars! Please see the attached registration form for more details and to register your Little Miss Cougar Star! Email the Cougar Stars Director at [SamanthaECockerham@katyisd.org](mailto:SamanthaECockerham@katyisd.org) for more*

*details.*  [Jr Clinic Registration Form 2017-Fall.pdf](#) (468.5 KB)