

## HAYES NEWS

12/6/17

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR “CLASSES OF THE WEEK”:** Mrs. Hamilton’s 2<sup>nd</sup> grade homeroom, Mrs. Kelley’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom. Also, congratulations to our “Staff Member of the Week” – Ms. Fernandez, SPED paraprofessional.

### 2017 SPELLING BEE

In the 32<sup>nd</sup> round, Nolan Yee was declared the winner when he correctly spelled “hilarious.” Sheryl Surawijaya was our runner up and she will be our alternate contestant. They will represent Hayes in the district meet at Morton Ranch HS in February. Congratulations to all the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders who competed so well.

### LIBRARY LOWDOWN

A huge thank you to everyone for coming to Breakfast with Santa last Saturday! It was a morning of fun! I want to also thank the countless number of volunteers that helped in the library during the week with set up, decorating, wish lists, sales, and tear down. It couldn’t have happened without you! Hayes Hawks rock!!

The Hour of Code Week is this week, December 4-8, 2017. The goal for celebrating the week is to ensure all Katy ISD students are exposed to coding in order to pursue additional learning opportunities in the career fields where programming is prominent; i.e., engineers, data scientists, web developers, and user-interface designer. Coding also assists learners with numerous skills such as problem-solving, critical thinking, communication and collaboration. Here is the link to information and activities you can do during the week with your children to expose them to coding <https://docs.google.com/document/d/11dFxPtytFmDSW-JN0RUHeNiiY1Z6tikERAU8BADgUfg/edit>

### COUNSELOR’S CORNER

**CORE Essential for DECEMBER: GENEROSITY**

**GENEROSITY** – Making someone’s day by giving something away.

The animal is the **EARTHWORM** and the color to wear on Tuesday’s during the month of **DECEMBER** is **GREEN**.

As we approach the buy holiday season, we will enjoy many opportunities for family meals with extended family and friends. Common Sense Media.org shares some tips for dinner time conversation and media- free mealtime. Please view the link below for some creative suggestions and tips: [https://thefamilydinnerproject.org/technology-at-the-table/?utm\\_source=CSM&utm\\_medium=email%2C%20website&utm\\_campaign=device\\_fre](https://thefamilydinnerproject.org/technology-at-the-table/?utm_source=CSM&utm_medium=email%2C%20website&utm_campaign=device_fre)

### Hayes Elementary Annual Food Drive

The Hayes Elementary Annual Food Drive benefiting the Houston Food Bank will start on Monday, November 27 and continue through Friday, December 8. This is a wonderful opportunity to give to those who are less fortunate during the holiday season. Below is a list of food pantry needs:

- Canned vegetables or fruit
- Canned tuna or chicken
- Pancake mix and syrup
- Vegetable oil
- Dried beans
- Jell-O and pudding

- Fruit Juice
- Pasta and rice
- Flour, sugar
- Crackers
- Personal care products
- Laundry detergent
- Diapers and baby wipes
- Toilet paper

A collection box for donations will be placed near the PTA table near the front office and on each grade level hallway. Student Council Representatives will deliver all donations to Maud Marks Library on Friday, December 8.

**LOVE AND LOGIC SESSIONS BEGIN AT HAYES IN JANUARY.**

\*\*\*Please see the attached flyer for addition information\*\*\*

### **CHALLENGE CHAT**

Dear Parents in Grades 1-4,

This is the week to submit your Parent Checklist to initiate screening for your child in Grades 1-4. Elementary Parent Checklist are located at our JHE Front Desk or at this link:

<http://www.katyisd.org/dept/GT/Pages/Elementary%20GT%20Challenge%20Program.aspx>

The Parent Checklist is due by Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

For more information about Challenge, the Gifted and Talent program for identified Katy ISD students, please click this

link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oSkk6jopPJo&feature=youtu.be>

If you have questions or need clarification, please contact me at [SarahGClark@katyisd.org](mailto:SarahGClark@katyisd.org)

### **MUSIC NOTES**

Thank you to all the families and friends that were in attendance last night for the Soaring Singers Winter Holiday Concert. The kids sounded amazing and I was so proud of them. There will be no choir rehearsals for the rest of December. Choir will resume on **Thursday, January 4** at 7:30am.

### **ART PALETTE, MS. O'LEARY, JHE ART TEACHER**

Our 'Art To Remember' art keepsakes will be arriving toward the end of next week! We will deliver all items ordered to your students' classroom. Thank you, everyone, that ordering gift items with your student's work! Anyone can continue to order items from Art To Remember throughout the year as your student art will remain on file with them. Original art will be coming back soon and will go home after Winter Break.

### **ROCKIN' THE GYM**

**The Elks Club National Hoop Shoot Contest** is a contest for boys and girls ages 8-13, must be in age range on\before April 1, 2018. The students participate and advance through the local, district, state and national competitions. Students have been signing-up in class and may participate during class on the week of December 11<sup>th</sup>. Start practicing your free throws!!!

**Box Tops** are back! JHE did an awesome job during our last collection, collecting over 2,000 BT's! GREAT JOB HAWKS! The competition is not over just yet! Another collection date is

coming in the spring. During the holidays keep an eye out for products with the pink label!! Go to [www.btfe.com](http://www.btfe.com) for additional information!!

## PTA NEWS

### Calling all Hayes Hawks!!

**The Silent Auction & Open House is January 25, 2018.** This is an exciting opportunity to bid on one of a kind class art work, special event seating, gift baskets, class parties, and so much more. The funds raised support various school programs and events. Please fill out the attached form if you are able to donate items, services, or if you are interested in volunteer opportunities. This is a big event and it takes a team to make it a success!

#### Family STEAM Night

The Robert R. Shaw Center for STEAM will be having a Family STEAM Night on Friday, December 8th. The purpose is to promote student and parental interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. The event will feature interactive activities and various science presentations. The event is designed for KISD students in grades 3 through 8. This event is located across from Raines High School at 1730 Katyland Drive, Katy Texas 77493. Additional parking is available at Miller, Raines High School and Rhodes Stadium. RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/dec8steam>

#### Taylor High School 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Home Tour

Taylor's Class of 2018 is hosting their annual Holiday Home Tour December 7 and 8. Enjoy the holiday spirit by touring the five beautifully decorated homes. Project Grad is donating 10% of all proceeds from the Holiday Home Tour to Harvey impacted families through the Taylor Pays it Forward Fund. Tickets for the Holiday Home Tour can be purchased for \$15 from Hauerland's Purveyors of Fine Goods at 1648 South Mason Road, Southern Diva's Boutique at 23110 Cinco Ranch Blvd., or the senior office of James E. Taylor High School (20700 Kingsland Blvd.).

"Katy Strong" ornaments will be available for sale at the homes. In addition, six gorgeous Christmas trees decorated by Taylor students and parents will be available for raffle.

You can find more information about the tour and purchase tickets and/or ornaments by visiting the Holiday Home Tour page of Taylor's Project Graduation website: [ProjectGradHomeTour](#)



#### UPCOMING DATES

December 8: Watch D.O.G.S. Day

Spirit Day-Wear your JHE spirit shirt

December 15: Pajama Day

Early Dismissal 12:40 PM

December 18 – January 2: Winter Holidays

January 3: Classes Resume

