

GREENTREE GAZETTE

Once a Gator, Always a Gator!



DECEMBER 2019



Greentree Elementary

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IMPORTANT DATES:

December 2 - December 9 - Toy Drive

December 5 - Winter Wonderland from 6:00-7:30

December 6 - Pay to Play for our Custodians and Cafeteria Staff! *Bring a \$1 (or more) and wear a HAT!*

December 11- December 13 - Gator Holiday Shoppe (details below)

December 17 - 5th Grade Program @ 6:30 pm

December 18 - Snuggle Up with a Good Book - wear PJ's to school

December 19 - Jingle Bell Run during Specials; please RSVP to melissa.schmonsees@humbleisd.net if attending

December 20 - It's a BUSY ONE!

*Kindergarten Breakfast with Santa, 8:00 am

*Class Winter Parties - 10:45 am - 11:45 am

*EARLY RELEASE @ NOON

*PLEASE RSVP to melissa.schmonsees@humbleisd.net if attending any of the above events

December 23 - January 6 - Winter Break

January 7 - Students Return to School



Wear your PJ's to school on the 5th and then wear them to Winter Wonderland that evening!

Also, pictures with Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be available for \$5.00 (cash only).



We had our MOST SUCCESSFUL Food Drive to date! We collected 4,929 cans!!

HUGE thanks to our 2nd graders who helped tally items, DAILY, to keep track of all the food that was donated. We'd also like to thank the strong volunteers from the Society of St. Stephens. Thank YOU, Gator Family, for making Thanksgiving brighter and more nourishing for many deserving families. Our top winners were: Mrs. Young, Mrs. Varnum, Mrs. Reed, Ms. Blackshear, Ms. Smith and Mrs. Lawrence.



Hats Off to the Custodians and Cafeteria Staff!

If you've spent any time in this building at all, you KNOW how hard our cafeteria and custodial friends work on behalf of our students, staff and our grounds. We are hosting the 7th annual Hats Off to the Custodians and Cafeteria Staff on **Friday, Dec. 6th**. For \$1, students can wear a hat (so, it's really Hats ON to these fine folks!). All proceeds will be divided among, and donated to these amazing, dedicated GTE folks.

Holiday Toy Drive benefiting Society of St. Stephens

We are collecting toys for those children in our community who are less fortunate from **December 2nd - December 9th**. Please bring new, unwrapped Elementary school-age toys. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Gator Holiday Shoppe Is Coming!!

December 11th-13th, your child will be able to purchase items on their own at school! Prices range from \$.25-\$10.00, with the majority at \$5.00 or less. There will be something for everyone, including pets! We look forward to the excitement of this wonderful new tradition!

Envelopes will be sent home to hold their money. Cash and checks made to GTEPTA are accepted.

We will need a few volunteers to help run the store. A signup genius will be emailed through homeroom parents soon.

If you have any questions, please email jennifermckenry@yahoo.com.

BARNES AND NOBLE CHOIR PERFORMANCE AND BOOK FAIR NIGHT



Please join us **Monday, December 12th at 6:30 pm** as our wonderful Fifth Grade Choir will be performing at Barnes & Noble in Humble! While you are there, Greentree will receive 10% of anything purchased all day, including Starbucks. You must tell them at the check-out that you are with the Greentree Book Fair.

See you there!

Let's all Snuggle Up with a Good Book!

On **Wednesday, December 18th** we are asking students to wear their pajamas and slippers or a robe to school. We will be taking time during the day to "Snuggle Up with a Good Book". Please send a book with your child also! It is so important to keep reading with your child during Winter Break. Visit the public library and if your child does not have their on card, this would be a great time to get them one!



Jingle Bell Run

Please join us for our Jingle Bell Fun Run on **Thursday, December 19th**.

See times below for your grade level time:

5th- 8:10-9:05

3rd- 9:05-10:00

4th- 10:05-11:00

2nd- 12:15-1:10

Kinder- 1:15-2:10

1st- 2:15-3:10

You are Invited to our Annual Kindergarten Breakfast with Santa!

When: Friday, December 20th

Time: 8:00am / 7:40am arrival for Visitor Badges

Where: Greentree Cafeteria

Cost: \$3.10 per person



If your child is purchasing a breakfast, please make sure funds are in his/her account prior to this event.

Guests will purchase tickets upon arrival.

Please RSVP to melissa.schmonsees@humbleisd.net no later than Monday, December 9th.

When you RSVP, please include the following:

- Student name / Teacher name
- First and last name of each adult
- Total number of guests
- Please note: Only younger siblings (not older siblings) may attend.

If you or your guest has previously been scanned into our Raptor system, a visitor badge will be pre-printed. **Otherwise, please check in at the Front Office at 7:40 am to scan your license.**

ALL guests must have a Visitor Badge!

YEARBOOK

Order Your Yearbook Online!

Visit www.balfour.com to order your yearbook. Full color! Student Produced! **\$25 until December 20th.** Price will raise to \$30 after the 20th.

Fifth grade parents can order special tributes to their seniors!



LOST & FOUND

Is your Gator missing a coat, lunch box, water bottle, etc.? Come check out our Lost and Found! Unclaimed items **will be donated Dec. 20th.**

R.S.V.P.



Upcoming Events that Require RSVP's

Please send your RSVP to melissa.schmonsees@humbleisd.net and include:

- full name of adults that are attending
- cell number
- event and/or events you are attending

* If the adult has had their ID scanned this school year, a badge will be preprinted. If not, they will need to check in at the Front Office.

Dec. 19 - Jingle Bell Fun Run (during Specials)

Dec. 20 - Breakfast with Santa (Kindergarten only) at 8:00 am

Dec. 20 - Winter Parties from 10:45 - 11:45

Nurse Notes

December is here and so is the Flu, Strep throat, and Lice...oh my! Please remind your children to wash their hands often and cover their mouths when sneezing and coughing. Also, as we enter a time of visiting friends and family, please remind the kids not to share combs, hats, or pillows. I recommend sending your pillow to the sleepover and washing the case as soon as it comes home.

As the weather gets cooler and the jackets come up, PLEASE label them so they come home at the end of the day. Also as you are going through warmer clothes, please consider donating to the clinic any shorts or pants that have elastic waistbands. They work for several sizes and are very helpful for the muddy falls or spilled lunch. I have plenty of shirts.

As usual, please remember **DO NOT** send medicine to school with your student. The Humble ISD policy states an adult is responsible for bringing medicine to school. There is also a form that must be signed giving permission for any medication to be given at school. It can be found on my web page as well as the district web page. Also, cough drops are not allowed at school. When choosing cold medications consider a 12 hour type that you are able to give at home, reducing the amount of classroom interruptions.

Lastly, enjoy the holidays and the break from school and work. Use this time to talk to your family and friends face to face, snuggle up and read, and play old fashioned games together.

Sincerely, Laurie Para, RN



Dear Parents,

We will continue with the **Great 8 Skill of Self-Management**. Ask your student about the **Reality Ride roller coaster visual** and which track is the right track and why.

Patricia Bergman
Counselor

