GREENTREE GAZETTE

Once a Gator, Always a Gator!

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Greentree Elementary

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Oct. 11-15 - Operation: Gators Supporting Our Troops (see below for info)

Oct. 15 - Bike Rodeo for Grades K-2nd; Torchy's Spirit Night 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM; Relatives Raising Relatives

Oct. 18 - PTA Board Mtg @ 6:00 PM in the Library

Oct. 20 - Fall Pictures

Oct. 21-29 - Book Fair

Oct. 25 - Book Fair Family Night 3:00 PM-6:30 PM

Oct. 25-29 - Red Ribbon Week (see below for details)

Oct. 28 - Story Book Character Dress-up Day

Oct. 29 - Trot-n-Treat Fun Run

UPDATE: Lunch Visitors

Dear Gator Families, I am working on getting picnic tables set up in our front Courtyard area. As soon as those are put in place, we will allow parents to come and check out their Gator to have lunch together. I will send an email once those tables are set up. THANK YOU for your patience and understanding!!

:)Ms. Rodriguez

THANK YOU, plus, Friday Dedications!!!

Dear Gator Families,

Thank you SO MUCH for the fantastic turnout for our GLOW Party for the Annual Fund. I'd also like to thank the *Shoemaker Family* for putting it all together for us and making it a night to remember!

The fun will continue this Friday with Friday Dedications! Families can text **myGTEJAM** to **41-444**, and for a \$10 donation, they can make a song dedication to a Gator student or teacher to be announced on Fridays! This month's songs are: *Girls Just Want to Have Fun* on October 15, *Eye of the Tiger* on October 22, and *9 to 5* on October 29. This will go on throughout the year! I will send out the song titles each month for our Friday dedications.

Thank you to Leslie Shoemaker for making this possible. Let's keep the celebration going!

OPERATION: GATORS SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS!



Greentree 5th graders will be collecting supplies for our Troops October 11-15, after the fall break! Please send in items to your homeroom teacher. The class in each grade level with the most donated items will get extra recess and popsicles!

Please consider donating any of the items below:

Coffee (10-12 oz bags)/K-cups Batteries (AA and AAA) Magazines/Crossword/ Sudoku Puzzle Books Baby Wipes (individual packages) Single Serve Drink Mixes Granola/Power Bars Gum Hard Candy Peanut butter (18 oz or less) Shampoo/Conditioner (up to 24 oz) Toothpaste/Toothbrush/Floss Lip Balm/Sunblock Microwavable Mac and Cheese/Ramen Noodle Cups Meat Pouches (tuna, salmon, chicken, turkey) Beef Jerky/Slim Jims **Dried Fruit** Oatmeal (individual packets) Microwavable Popcorn Body Wash (up to 24 oz) Q Tips Ziploc Bags (Quart and Gallon Size) Hand Sanitizer **Clorox Wipes** Deodorant

After collecting the supplies by our Great Gators, they will be packed and sent to our troops through the following organizations:



Bike Rodeo has been rescheduled to Friday, Oct. 15th for Kindergarten through 2nd grade and we need your help! If you would like to volunteer, please use the link below and sign up for a shift.

If you had previously signed up and you are unable to volunteer, please go in and edit your information or email Amie Bess at <u>abess@humbleisd.net</u>.

Thank you so much for your support!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D44A4AE2B0-bike

All visitors and volunteers need to check in at the Front Office. You must have your Drivers License.



Torchy's Spirit Night

When

Friday, Oct. 15th, 11am-10pm

Where

4529 Kingwood Drive Houston, TX

More information

Be sure to mention Greentree when you stop by and we will get 15% profit.

All Dine-in, to-go and curbside orders included.



Book Fair

Dear Parents and Families:

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair. Hosted by our library, this event is an opportunity for students of all ages to build their home libraries and further their love of reading. As always, all purchases benefit our school library.

Book Fair will be a familiar, welcome, and safe event for our students. Here's what you need to know about the Fair, which will take place from Thursday, October 21st – Friday, October 29th

• *We strongly encourage you* to use the cash-free payment option called e-Wallet. It's a convenient digital account that your child can use for shopping at our Fair. Grandparents, friends, and others can contribute, too! If your child has a \$1 or less remaining after shopping, the remaining amount will be added to "All for Books" to purchase items for our library. **If you do not wish to donate** please call the library. *Money remaining may be used at our Book Fair in the Spring, but be sure you keep your SAME email and password for the e-Wallet!*

 Learn more about e-Wallet <u>https://players.brightcove.net/1543299976/Eyj59PHsg_default/index.html?</u> <u>videoId=5831064261001</u>

• If you can't make it to the Fair, then shop online at our school's Virtual Book Fair. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Your online orders will also benefit our school.

Visit our Library webpage to learn more and get started with e-Wallet and online shopping:

Grand Opening: Thursday, October 21st from 3:30-5:00 Classes Shop during Library/Computer times Friday, October 22 – Thursday, October 28th Family Night: Monday, October 25th Last Chance to shop: Friday, October 29th 8:00 AM - Noon

We're excited to celebrate our love of books together at the Book Fair. We look forward to seeing your child there! Happy reading,

SET UP AN eWALLET FOR YOUR STUDENT!

Grant wishes with eWallet! A safe alternative to cash, **BOOK FAIR eWALLET** is the best way to fund your student's wish list! eWallets can be used at the in-school Fair or online to shop from 5,000+ products. Any unused funds can be spent at The Scholastic Store Online or to fund an eWallet for a future Fair.







Red Ribbon Week; Oct. 25-29, 2021

Theme: Your Future is BRIGHT!

Monday, 10/25; Wear RED to show that at Greentree Elementary, we respect ourselves and others -<u>Wear Red</u>

Tuesday, 10/26; "Too Bright for Drugs" - Wear neon clothes and/or sunglasses

Wednesday, 10/27; "Team Up Against Drugs" - Wear your favorite team's jersey or shirt

Thursday, 10/28; "Good characters don't do drugs" - Story Book Dress Up

Friday, 10/29; "Sock it to Drugs" - Wear crazy socks

Trot-n-Treat Fun Run October 29th!

Trot N Treat is a family fun run that we do during the kids' specials time. We invite our parents, grandparents and even our little brothers and sisters to come to school and run or walk our greenbelt trail that loops around through our parking lot. In each grade level, the classes compete to see which class has the most energy and endurance. After the run and the counting of the laps, a trophy is presented to the class that has earned the most laps. They get to keep the trophy in their room until the next family fun run. We encourage all to come, except for your pets. We love animals at Greentree but the greenbelt is too crowded and the leashes are dangerous.

If you are unable to run or walk, we always need people to help us mark the pumpkins! <u>Please check in for the fun run in the Front Office of the school.</u>

> 5th grade 8:10-9:00 3rd grade 9:05-9:55 2nd grade 10:00-10:50 4th grade 10:55-11:45 Kindergarten 1:05-1:55 1st grade 2:00-2:50

<u>Nurse 🖾 Notes</u>

Parents:

It is so good to see students walking the halls of Greentree again! But back to school also means fall illness. With Coronavirus lurking in the background, you may be hearing from me more this year as I assess students with symptoms at school. Please be patient and understand we want everyone to be safe and stay healthy. Please remind your children to cover their mouths with their sleeves when coughing or sneezing. Getting lots of rest, exercise, and eating healthy helps them to stay well. Flu season will be soon approaching-consider the flu shot for your entire family!

Some other reminders for you:

Screening: I have started vision and hearing screenings in the clinic. You will only be notified of results if a referral needs to be made.

Illness: Please keep your child home if she/he has had a fever (100 degrees or over), vomiting and/or diarrhea in the last 24 hours. Certainly consider observing symptoms at home before sending them to school if you have any doubts or concerns. Feel free to contact me for questions about coming to school.

Insect Repellent: Mosquitos are active in the early morning, especially after the rain. Please consider applying repellent at home before school. It may help reduce the amount of bites here at school and cut down on the number of classroom interruptions to visit the nurse for Calamine lotion.

<u>Medications</u>: If your child will be taking any medication at school, prescription or over-the-counter, I must have a medication form completely filled out. Over the counter meds may be dispensed with only a parent signature if given on occasion. If this medication is needed more than 4 times a month or more than 10 days in a school year, a physician's signature is required on the form. ALL medication must be sent in with an adult in the original store package or with a pharmacy label. The medication policy can be found on my website as well as the Humble ISD website.

<u>Cough Drops</u>: Humble ISD does not allow cough drops on campus, not even through the nurse clinic. Please do not send cough drops to school with your children or in their backpacks.

Feel free to contact me for any questions or concerns at 281-641-1905.

Katy Wilson, RN



GTE Counselor Newsletter

Please click on the link below to access the GTE Counselor Newsletter from Mrs. Cannon.

https://www.smore.com/s3tdz

Home Access Account (HAC) - Every student must have one!

You can see grades, check attendance, see their schedule. Click this link to set one up:

https://eshac.humbleisd.net/HomeAccess/Account/LogOn

There is a support link if you have trouble or feel free to email or call me!

Cindy Alford, <u>calford@humbleisd.net</u> or 281-641-1903.





Child Absent? Here's what to do:

Email: <u>Cynthia.alford@humbleisd.net</u> Or call Attendance line: 281-641-1919 Or click on this link to report online: <u>Report an Absence</u> Fax: 281-641-1917 Phone: 281-641-1903

Cindy Alford Registrar

