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Dates to Remember

April 2 - Kindergarten
and new to 1st grade
registration 9am - 11am
and 1pm - 3pm

April 3 - Camp Wood-
Creek Dinner and auc-
tion 5pm - 9pm

April 7 - TAKS Grade 5
Math

April 8 - VIPS Workday
9am - 3pm

April 8 - CAT Team
Meeting 4:15PM

April 10 - Good Friday/
School Holiday

April 13 - School Holi-
day

April 17 - 5th 6 weeks
ends; EARLY DIS-
MISSAL

April 20 - 6th six weeks
begins

April 21 - PTA meeting
and 1st grade perform-
ance 6:45p.m.

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Let's Go Camping!

Hello Rangers!

Camp WoodCreek is right around the corner! Friday will be here before you know it. Don't forget to check out your Camp Catalogue. It has auction item descriptions and other useful information. Bring it with you to use as your guide.

We are still in desperate need of any Ranger family volunteers that can spare just 30 minutes of your time during Camp Wood-Creek. Please help us help our children. If you or anyone in your family is

able or interested in help-
ing in our children's suc-
cess, there are several ar-
eas you can choose to par-
ticipate in. To help with
our silent and/or live auc-
tion, please contact Camp
Counselor Ember Concep-
cion at 832-675-1219. To
help with our camp activi-
ties, please contact Camp
Counselor Ronda Rusk at
281-394-5297. To help
with our dinner and con-
cessions, please contact
either Camp Coun-
selor Tiffany Hoffman at
281-392-2369 or Heidi
Jensen at 281-391-5391.

We are still accepting

baked good donations for
our Camp Conces-
sions through this Thurs-
day, April 2. Please drop
them off at the front office.

Thank you so much for
your support and partici-
pation during this exciting
time! We look forward
to camping in the forest
with all of our Ranger fami-
lies at Camp Wood-
Creek! So see you there
on Friday, April 3rd from
5:00-9:00p.m.

Your WCE PTA

Important Information Regarding Next Year - Teacher Characteristic Forms

Forms will be available in the Front Office beginning today regarding parent recommendations for teacher characteristics for next year's K-5 classes. These are available for you to complete if there are certain teacher *characteristics* you feel would enhance your student's success; they are not intended for specific teacher requests. These forms are not required, but should you decide to submit one, it must be returned to the counselor, Lucy Thompson, no later than **Thursday, April 16, 2009.**

**Lucy Thompson
Counselor
WoodCreek Elementary**



Stan C Stanley News Brief

Dear Stanley Parents,
Our new school is off to a great start! Prior to Spring Break the students selected "Stampede" as our mascot and red, white, and silver as our school colors. I can tell the students worked very hard to think of creative mascots and colors for our new school. I think they did a great job! Thursday April 2nd, is Kindergarten registration for the 2009-2010 school year. If your child will begin Kindergarten next school year, and you are zoned to Stanley Elementary you will register at your current home campus. Stanley Elementary Kindergarten orientation is tentatively scheduled for

May. A date is forthcoming. We are currently working with the KISD technology department to create a basic website for our new school. The website will be accessed through the main KISD web site.

Our new school number is 281-234-1400. Please contact us if you have any questions.

I look forward to working with each of you!

Respectfully,
Kerri Finnesand
Principal-Stan C. Stanley Elementary
kerrifinnesand@katyisd.org



School Store Dates:

Thursday April 9th
Friday April 24th
Tuesday May 12th
Thursday May 28th



book nook

Springtime is such a beautiful time of year in the forest. All the little woodland creatures are waking up from their long winter's nap and the trees and flowers are beginning to grow and bloom with colorful foliage. One of the woodland creatures and little Rangers' favorite spring places to grow and learn is in WoodCreek's very own library forest. Just as the flowers and trees are blooming and growing, so is our collection of new and exciting books! Many new titles continue to arrive in our living library forest every week. The new books are being placed on the bookshelves for our young rangers to investigate as they navigate the library meadows and various forest trails. It is quite exciting to explore the various aisles blooming with new books and all of our Rangers are most proud of their library forest.

Just as forest Rangers take care and pride in the national forests throughout our nation, our young WoodCreek Rangers take pride in keeping their forest looking beautiful. It is so important that every Ranger take care of the library books so that other Rangers and woodland creatures have the opportunity to read and enjoy the books for years to come. Katy Independent School District has specific policies regarding the care of district library books and materials. Spring is a great time for a reminder regarding the care of our new library book collection. As a part of our spring renewal, the library staff is taking a careful look at every book that is returned to the WCE library forest when students return their library books for check-in. If any springtime rain, mud, or page tears, etc... are identified, KISD requires book fines new books and all of our Rangers are most proud of their library forest.

checked out by the student in question. Parents will be notified if a book fine is to be assessed to their child.

It is our hope and desire that the WoodCreek Library collection of books will be in great reading shape for many years to come. It will take all of our little Rangers and woodland creatures working together as a team to take excellent care of the library books and materials so all can be proud of our beautiful forest library. As our lead campers, parents are very important to the continual success of our library program. Your encouragement and oversight at home can make a significant difference in the quality control of our books. Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Martha Lee - Librarian

Ranger Round UP

**3rd - Camp WoodCreek Dinner and Auction
5-9pm**

7th - 5th grade math TAKS

8th - 3rd grade field trip
George R. Ranch

9th - 2nd grade field trip
Houston Zoo

9th - Kinder Egg Hunt

10th - school holiday

13th - school holiday

16th - 1st grade reading around the Campfire
5:00pm - 6:00pm

17th - Hot dog/Apple Pie day
Wear baseball jerseys/jeans

20th - Slip into 6th 6 weeks
Wear slippers/jeans