

WoodCreek Elementary

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Dates to Remember

May 20 - VIPS Workday
9am - 3pm

May 20 - DARE Graduation 6:00pm

May 22 - Volunteer
Brunch & PTA meeting
w/installation of PTA
officers 8:30-10:30

May 25 - Memorial Day/
School holiday

May 26 - school holiday

June 4 - 6th six weeks
ends/last day of school/
early dismissal

August 10 & 11 - registration 9am-11am, 1pm-3pm

August 17-20 - registration 9am-11am, 1pm-3pm

August 17 - school opens
for volunteers

August 24 - first day of
school

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Wilderness Weekly

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Damitta Profitt is the WCE Volunteer of the Year!



Everyone LOVES Damitta Profitt, and during the VIPS breakfast, Damitta found out just how much she's loved! Damitta was serenaded with an original ditty sung to the tune of "Miss America". The song was videotaped for our listening pleasure. Damitta has been volunteering for WCE since WoodCreek opened its doors two years ago. You can find Damitta in

the workroom, Ranger Science, volunteer workdays, Camp WoodCreek, preparing bulletin boards, in the library, and in the classroom. When Damitta is not at WCE, she's at WoodCreek Jr. High volunteering for them! We are so blessed to have Damitta represent WCE as our Volunteer of the Year! Congratulations!

VIPS Breakfast Honors District Volunteers



The Katy ISD Merrill Center was the place to be last Friday. Hundreds of volunteers, school staff and administrators gathered to honor the district's volunteers. The KISD food services department provided a delicious breakfast while keynote speaker Riney Jordan entertained the crowd with his home spun humor. Everyone had a wonderful time mingling and catching up with friends around the district.



book nook

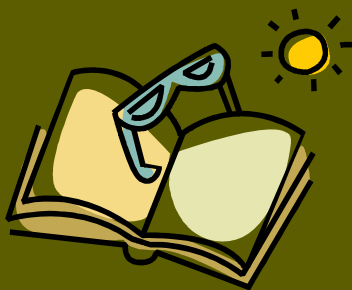
LIBRARY VOLUNTEER BRUNCH

Last week we asked that you save the date of May 27, 2009 for our Library Volunteer Brunch. However, we have run into some scheduling conflicts due to this being such a busy time of the year. Therefore, we will combine our "Library" Volunteer Brunch with that of ALL our FABULOUS Volunteers on Friday, May 22, 2009 here in the library. If you volunteered in the library, or anywhere & anytime this year, we would LOVE for you to join us at this special event in **your honor**. We do appreciate our volunteers very much and would not be able to run the library without you, so please come and allow us to recognize you for all the time you have put in, whether it be helping out with the Book Fair previews, or with a regular weekly shift of

shelving and circulating books...we could NOT do it alone! Thank you so very, very much!!! Looking forward to seeing you on Friday!

MURAL UPDATE

Parents we want to THANK YOU so very much for all you have done to help make our murals possible. You have 'stepped up to the plate' for our Rangers once again and it is truly appreciated!!! The mural donations have far surpassed our expectations and therefore will enable us to complete murals in the ENTIRE library, instead of just one or two walls...How FANTASTIC is that???? I know you are as excited as I am about this project and it is my belief that this will make our library a warm and wonderful place for our students to enjoy. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!



Summer Reading Lists...

The KISD Recommended Summer Reading Lists are available!!! They will be posted on the KISD website as well as our WCE school website soon! Check them out for some wonderful titles for summer reading.

Programs - End of Year Summary

Arts in Education

In the Fall, the PTA paid the Houston Grand Opera to come to WCE and present "Strega Nona" for the 3rd-5th grades. In the Spring, Caranza Puppets presented "Rumpelstiltskin" to the Kinder-3rd grades.

Junior Achievement

Each grade participated in the Junior Achievement program this year, which is led by parent volunteers. The 5th Grade took a field trip to BizTown in the Spring.

PATHS (Parents and Teachers Helping Students)

The PTA started a new program this year called PATHS. Each grade participated in a hands-on, half-day program led and planned by the parents. Themes included, Native Americans, Around the World, Colonial America, Weather, Thank-giving, and Metric Olympics.

Ranger Science

All grades participated in Ranger Science during the 2nd, 4th, and 6th Six weeks. Programs included Rocks, Plants, Simple Ma-

chines, Water/Erosion, and the Solar System.

Yearbook

This year, the yearbook was designed by the WCE Yearbook club which was under the direction of 4th Grade teacher, Sandy Ashcraft. The PTA was responsible for photography and sales. Since there will not be a yearbook club next year, the design responsibilities will be reassigned to the PTA.

Career Day Makes an Impression

WCE's first Career Day was a huge success! The 3rd- 5th grade students enjoyed hearing about some of the different jobs that are available and how to prepare for those jobs. Third Grade students heard from Geologist Lisa Ashabrunner, Firefighter Ed Causey, Engineer Mike Hafle, Early Intervention Specialist Erin Mozisek, KISD Canine Officer Dennis Olivier and his Canine partner Ado, and Attorney Jacob Walla. Fourth Grade students heard from Veterinarian Enrique Castillo, Academy Divisional Merchandise Manager Rodney Cham-

blee, former Civil Engineer Cindy Hablinski, Enterprise Account Manager Jesse Jensen, Medical Massage Therapist Marvin Joiner, Business Administrator Carlos Llano, Retired Lt. Colonel Thomas Mushovic, Engineer Craig Redding, Civil Engineer Aaron Rendon, Information Systems Technologist Robert Valentinis, and Attorney Jacob Walla. Fifth Grade students heard from Information Technologist Mike Adkisson, Fluor Senior Talent Acquisitions/Development Manager Jeff Bettinger, Entrepreneur of Residential /Commercial Construc-

tion Kelli Deschamps, Engineer Mike Hafle, Transportation Logistics Rob Holland, and KISD Canine Officer Dennis Olivier and his Canine partner Ado. The speakers were wonderful, and the teachers did an awesome job of keeping everything on schedule. Thanks to all of the wonderful volunteers and teachers who made WCE's first Career Day a huge success!

The best teachers teach from the heart, not from the book.

~Author
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Hospitality - End of Year Summary

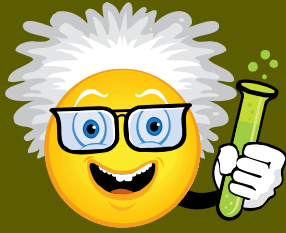
The Hospitality Committee had a wonderful year! We were able to serve our parents with Morning with Mom, and Day-break with Dad. We also had the opportunity to provide our teachers with monthly luncheons thanks to our volunteers. We honored our school staff throughout the year on their designated days, such as Cafe Workers Day, Librarian Day, and Nurse's Day. Our staff is so appreciative for all of the great things we are able to do for them. It has been a pleasure to serve on this Committee. I'm sure next year will be even MORE wonderful!! Good luck in next year.

Stan Stanley News Brief

** 1st Stanley Elementary P.T.A. General Meeting**

The original meeting date of May 21, 2009 has been **CHANGED** to
Wednesday, May 27, 2009
in the Bonnie Holland Elementary Gymnasium
from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Election of Officers and Approval of By-laws will be decided.*



Who knew there was so much to learn about ROCKS???



Check us out in color and online!

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We look FABULOUS!

2nd Grade rocks



rocks



ROCKS



Ranger Science

Ranger Round UP

MAY

22nd - Kinder Popsicles with Pop

28th - 5th grade Ranger Science

29th - Celebrations of Learning
Kinder, 1st & ECAP/YCAP

JUNE

2nd - Celebrations of Learning
3rd and 4th grade

3rd - Celebrations of Learning
2nd grade

3rd – 5th Grade Awards Ceremony

4th - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
EARLY DISMISSAL

AUGUST

19th - Meet the Teacher
5:30pm - 7pm

24th - first day of School!