

Ralph Langley Elementary School

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Important Dates

- Nov. 7-** Los Leones Art Festival
8:30-2:00 p.m. @ Leon
Valley Community Center
- Nov. 9-** 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Rally
Food Drive Begins
- Nov. 10-** 4th Grade Writing CDB
Library Open @ 5:30 for
Parent Check-out
PTA Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
with Kindergarten per
forming
- Nov. 11-** 9:30 a.m. Veteran's Day
Program
- Nov. 13-** Last day for Food Drive
- Nov. 17-** 5:30 SAT Meeting
- Nov. 19-** Chess Tournament at
Blattman Elementary
- Nov. 20-** Progress Reports
- Nov. 23-28-** Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 1-** 2nd Grade Math CDB
- Dec. 14-** Library Open @ 5:30 for
Parent Check-out
6:30 Choir Holiday Pro
gram
- Dec. 10-** 5th Grade Science CDB
- Dec. 15-** 5th Grade Math CDB
- Dec. 16-** 1st, 3rd & 5th Vision &
Hearing Screening
- Dec. 18-** Holiday Parties



Ralph Langley Elementary Home of the Lobos

Dedication

The dedication was a great success!!! We are very proud of our students and have received many positive comments from Central Office, the Langley Family and the Law Firm of Langley & Banack.

Early Release Friday,

November 6th

November 6th is an Early Release Day. Students are released at 11:45 and morning Pre-K class at 9:40, afternoon Pre-K class begins at 9:45 and is released at 11:45. The afternoon will be spent with staff participating in Staff Development activities.

Chick-Fil-A Night a Great Success

Thank you for assisting Langley Elementary in a very successful Chick-Fil-A Night. Our first night was September 30 and we profited \$475!!!! That is a wonderful profit considering all we had to do was buy something to eat. We just completed our second night on November 2 and we cannot wait to find out what our profit is! It is much fun to be there and see our families and students. Thanks for your support!

Attendance & Tardies

Students are expected to be at school on time every day. If your child is tardy they will proceed to class where the teacher will mark them tardy. When your child is absent please send a note explaining the reason for the absence and if you are going to be out for an extended period of time, you should contact administration to discuss the situation. It is extremely important that we protect the integrity of the entire instructional day therefore please make sure your child is at school on time and limit the number of times you pick up your child



early. Due to dismissal procedures we will not be able to release students early after 2:30. Remember that you will be asked for your ID every time you enter the school between the hours of 7:45 and 2:45.

H1N1 Vaccination Update

Our latest update on this endeavor is that NISD schools will be vaccinating elementary age students with the H1N1 vaccination in January. Parent permission will be necessary for students to get the vaccination. We will send more information as we get it regarding this procedure.

Safety Drills

In order to ensure the safety of all of our students we have drills periodically. These include fire drills, lockdown drills and tornado drills. During a fire drill all students are evacuated from the building to a safe area outside. A lockdown drill consists of teachers locking their doors and moving the students away from the windows and doors. We also lock all exterior doors to the building and make sure that all students are safe. Tornado drills consists of teachers moving all students to an area that is not on the second floor and away from exterior doors and windows. Please understand that part of the drill is to lock the doors in order to maintain safety for the students, therefore anyone trying to enter the school during these times will not be allowed in.

Student Council

Langley has its first Student Council!!! The sponsors are Teresa Deeter, Librarian and

Danny Foster, 3rd grade teacher. Their first service project is a food drive to benefit the families at Cable Elementary. Cable is located at 1706 Pinn Road and is a campus that has 95% of its students classified as socio-economically deprived. The food drive will run from November 9-13. The grade level with the most items by the end of the week will win a pajama day! Best of luck to all the grade levels.

Curriculum Diagnostic

Benchmarks

In order to remain current on the progress of our students Northside Independent School District administers Curriculum Diagnostic Benchmarks (CDB's). These tests are administered to 2-5 graders throughout the year and are designed to be administered as practice TAKS tests. Those dates are indicated in this newsletter will indicate the dates tests are to be taken. Mark your calendar to ensure that your child gets to bed early and has a good breakfast on those mornings.

Girl Scout Rally

In an effort to get our girls to join the Girl Scouts and to recruit leaders we will have a Girl Scout Rally on Monday, November 9 at 6:00 in the cafeteria. Come by and volunteer to lead the girls!

Parking Lot Situation

Thank you parents for not picking up your children in the parking lot. We have been monitoring the situation and things are looking better. Another situation that has been brought to our attention is at the end of the day parents are picking up their children from the back bus loop. For the safety of our children please refrain from doing this. Children are to be picked up in the front at 2:45. If you have any questions please call the front office.



