

HCMS HIGHLIGHTS

May 8, 2015

Principal's Message:

NJHS Needs!

SEARCHING FOR BOOKS! Our NJHS Finale is scheduled for Thursday, May 14th, when our first grade Book Buddies will arrive on campus, an annual day for book feasting, and we need your help. We are in need of new or gently used children's books, K-3rd grade reading level, to give to our little guests. NJHS students are asked to bring a new or gently used book, or three, so that our book buddies can experience a Book Carnival like never before. At our Book Carnival 2015, honor students will be painting faces, making book marks, hosting relays, a book walk and more, and it is our hope that HCMS can reward our guests with an armload of summer reading. Thank you in advance for helping us to make this year's carnival a memorable one!

CALLING ALL PARENTS OF HCMS ATHLETES!

We want to make sure that EVERYONE has the opportunity to contribute towards the end-of-year gifts for our HCMS coaches. Some teams did have parents collecting during their season, but some teams did not. Also, many students participate in multiple sports and the coaches receive a gift based on how many sports they coach. So if your child participated in multiple sports, please consider an additional gift. You can send your check (made payable to HCMS Cougar Club) to Kristi Barksdale, 46 Sundown Parkway, 78746, or you can mail/drop it off at the school front office, 1300 Walsh Tarlton, 78746, by May 25. Please write COACH GIFT in the memo section and include the name of the SPORT. Thank you so much for your generosity!

HCMS Scoreboard

Tennis boys and girls played vs. West Ridge last Tuesday. There were only 8 matches, due to the weather. They tied 4-4. Please congratulate all of them!

Hill Country Boys' Golf team won the Dripping Springs Golf Tournament by 32 strokes. Mathew Denton took the first place individual honor with a 3 under par

score of 33, Nick Palmo was third, shooting a 34. Madelyn Jones shooting a 42 was second for the girls. Over a two-year period this group of boys has won eight straight tournaments.

Congrats to the Boys HCMS Soccer team on a crucial victory over archrival West Ridge. The Cougars took the first half lead after a Wildcat goal, followed by a sterling direct kick by George Sayegh, giving the Cougars a 2-0 lead. West Ridge stormed back with two goals, tying the game with less than 6 minutes to go. In the penalty kick shootout Hill Country dominated with a 4-2 edge. George Sayegh provided the game winner, with Ali Slimi making two important saves in the goal as well as playing an inspired game. The boys played with great chemistry and confidence. We are looking forward to next week's game against Lake Travis, followed by the district tourney on Saturday, May 16, at Hill Country. Thanks for your support.

Box Tops

Remember to collect box tops through the summer months. There is a drop-off box in the Main Office. The funds received from box tops really add up and can help supplement our yearly expenses.

Go, Cougars!

Kathleen Sullivan

Cougar Club News

Hello, Cougars!

As I write my last newsletter today, I am reminded of how fortunate I was to be able to serve you and HCMS this year. Thank you to all my outgoing board members and to every volunteer. Yesterday we inducted the new Cougar Club board for 2015-2016. Congratulations to these parents!

President(s) - Zelda Minors and Laura Clark

President Elect(s) - Dinah Street and Stephanie Beard

VP IT/Communications - Kelle Turner

VP Finance - Polly Rickard

VP Parent Programs - Belinda Eckols

VP Student Programs - Leah Santos

Secretary - Brettne Shootman

Treasurer - Angela Billman

Treasurer Elect - Mary Torkelson

Advisor - Tish McKernan

Please join as we celebrate YOU!

7th grade field trip: Please volunteer to chaperone the 7th Grade end-of-year celebration on Thursday, May 28, to Austin's Park & Pizza. What a great time! Sign up here: <http://vols.pt/i2LpN7>.

Online School Store: The online school store is OPEN NOW. Please note, you will see a few changes - be prepared to create an account. It's super simple and will allow you to be able to sign into the school store to check your order history at any time. No more wondering right before the Hello what you have ordered!! Also you will be required to enter your student's Eanes ISD student number. This number is easily found on Skyward or any report card (same as school lunch code). Please understand this extra step will clear up possible order errors. The HCMS Hello will be paperless this year. In anticipation of these changes, we urge you to handle all online purchase, fees, and necessary Eanes registration items NOW.

Tech help needed: Jennifer Flood, HCMS's EdTech, needs help with iPadpalooza. Please consider volunteering <http://goo.gl/rdwqat>. We need volunteers June 22 - 25th and shifts are in 5 hour increments (7:30 - 12:30 and 12:00 - 5:00). Please contact Jennifer with questions: jflood@eanesisd.net.

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8th grade Pedernales	Monday & Tuesday, May 18/17
8th grade Pedernales Dance	Friday, May 22
6th grade end-of-year celebration	Wednesday, May 27
7th grade end-of-year celebration	Thursday, May 28
8th grade celebration	Thursday, May 28

EEF News

This Week: Honor Your Teachers!

Say thank you for all they've done, with an honorary gift to the Eanes Education Foundation. For each teacher that you would like to honor, make a donation to EEF and write a note of appreciation. EEF will deliver the note and an "Honored Teacher" tumbler for each teacher to enjoy the next school year. Make your gift at www.EanesEducationFoundation.org.

6th Annual EEF 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament - Register by May 14th to receive a T-shirt!

Who: 2nd Graders - Adults

What: Tournament basketball, burgers & snow cones!

When: Monday, May 25th

Where: WHS TLC Parking Lot

Entry fees are tax-deductible. Proceeds benefit Eanes Education Foundation and fund teachers for the next school year! Register by May 14 to receive a T-Shirt. Sponsorship opportunities available! **Register today** at www.EanesEducationFoundation.org

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