

HCM'S HIGHLIGHTS

Principal's Message:

October is traditionally Dyslexia Awareness Month, so we are holding a special night for Eanes parents with Dyslexic children. Some of our specialists were able to meet early last Thursday to plan a program for Oct. 1st. There will be a rotation of round table topics where ideas and strategies are shared by specialists along with an opportunity for parents to discuss what they have learned. The Campus Support Specialists will be inviting the parents of the students they serve.

Texas Teen Book Festival (TTBF)

TTBF is fast approaching! And there's nothing like meeting an author to get a student excited about reading!

Mark your calendars and be sure to send your students. They don't have to stay the whole time and you are welcome to drop them off.

Saturday, October 18
St. Edward's University
8:30 am - 5:30 pm

We are also looking for [VOLUNTEERS](#)! Please consider signing up to volunteer while your student attends the festival.

Visit the [WEB SITE](#) and see the attached pdf for more information.

SHOPPING FOR A CAUSE

Who: You, yeah, you!

What: Percentage of all sales benefiting the [Texas Teen Book Festival](#)

Where: [BookPeople](#), 603 N. Lamar, Austin, TX 78703

When: All day, September 23, 2014

On September 23rd, BookPeople will be donating a portion of all sales to the Texas Teen Book Festival to keep the festival free and open to the public! So meet us there and get your holiday shopping done early. If holiday shopping doesn't motivate you, don't forget you can see one of the Texas Book Festival's very own at BookPeople the same day. TBF Author [Lawrence Wright](#) will be speaking and signing books at 7:00 p.m.

GT Info:

Parents who wish to refer their child for assessment for the Gifted and Talented Program may do so between September 29th and October 28th. Information about the program, assessment process, and information meeting dates and times are attached. Please contact Angie Hanna ahanna@eanesisd.net with any questions.

Box Tops

Remember to send in your box tops. The funds received from clipping and sending these in really adds up and can help supplement our yearly expenses.

Weekly Scoreboard...

Braving the rain, mud, and wind the Cougars Cross Country team competed at The South Zone XC championship on the campus of St. Andrews. The girls' team finished 3rd and boys 8th out of 15 teams. Pacing the Cougars was Maddie Dawson with a 7th place finish and Emma Craddock who 10th place medaled in the meet. Other top girl runners included Anna Boettinger and Abigail Choate.

The boys were led by top thirty finishes from Jackson Arnette and Max Pastor.

Next up for the Cougars will be the Bastrop Invite on September 24th.

Hill Country Volleyball vs. Lake Travis

7A 25-23, 25-10

8A 25-19, 19-25, 19-25

7B 25-14, 25-18

8B 25-21, 13-25, 25-17

Hill Country Football vs. Paredes

7A 49-0

7B 44-0

8A 6-0 game called - lightning

8B 21-0

Go, Cougars!

Kathleen Sullivan

Cougar Club Updates:

Good afternoon HCMS families! I hope you are high and dry from the heavy rains.

Tonight is our first school dance of the new year - We are so, so excited to see our 7th graders have fun at our "tail-gate" inspired dance. Bring money for pizza and feel free to wear your favorite football jerseys or colors.

There is still time to turn in the Randall's COMMUNITY BUCKS!! Look for these at checkout any time you make a purchase greater than \$50! HCMS gets \$1 BACK PER Randall's COMMUNITY BUCK so it is an easy way to earn \$\$\$ for our school! DROP your Community Bucks in the HCMS office in the marked basket! Thanks for your support!

The COUGAR DASH is underway!! Which class will bring in the highest percentage of participation??? Remember, this is the Cougar Club's one-time, no hassle fundraiser. Let's get 100% participation from our families because 100% of your children benefit from the Cougar Club's good work - What does the Cougar Club provide? The "EXTRAS" that enrich student and staff environment . . .

Transportation, Classroom Start Up Costs, Back To School Nights, Staff Development, Staff Appreciation, School Store, Educational Resources, Parent Speakers, Field Trips, Crossing Guard, Library Fund. What are some Cougar Club Events?

Hill Country HELLO!, Carnival, Staff Pie Swap, Fractured Fairy Tales, Report Card Recognition, Star Student, Sock Hop, Dances, Veteran's Day Celebration, Career Day, Pit Ticket Sales, 8th Grade Graduation. We need YOU to pull off another successful year.

There is a new Mother/Son organization that is starting a Chapter in Austin this September.

For those that are interested in learning more about ACL, they will hold an Intro Moms meeting close by, ideally the last Monday in September on the 29th. Please contact Sydney Barrosse @sbarrosse@att.net if you are interested.

The Alpha Charity League is a non-profit, mother/son service league. ACL's mission is "Fostering mother and son relationships in a philanthropic organization committed to community service, and leadership development." Our members' common value is that we want to continue to be involved in a meaningful way in our son's life and share our value of the importance of community service.

Upcoming Dates:

Booster Club Board Mtg Wednesday, September 24 8:45 am - 11:00 am

7th grade dance Friday, September 19 4:05 pm - 6:00 pm

8th grade dance Friday, September 26th - **to be rescheduled**