

September 4, 2014

## From the Desk of Dr. Fovargue



Dear ROE Community,

This newsletter serves as our primary form of communication each week. Please make sure you are receiving this information. Additional emails can be added by emailing [kfovargu@houstonisd.org](mailto:kfovargu@houstonisd.org) and a hardcopy can be requested at the front office. If you do not wish to receive this newsletter, you can SafeUnsubscribe, and follow us at <http://www.houstonisd.org/RiverOaksES>

## Save the Dates

1. **Sept 9-K-2** Open House (6:00-7:00 p.m.)
2. **Sept 10** - SDMC (3:30 p.m.)
3. **Sept 11-** 3rd-5th Open House (6:00-7:00 p.m.)
4. **Sept 23-** School Pictures
5. **Sept. 26-**Movie Night
6. **Oct 3-**No School (Fall Holiday)
7. **Oct 11-** Fun Run
8. **Oct 28-** Class Pics
9. **Nov 14-16-** Barnes & Nobles Book Fair
10. **Dec. 10-** SDMC (3:30 p.m.)
11. **Dec. 19-** Class Parties

For all school related information, please check out the Family Handbook at <http://www.houstonisd.org/Page/57562>

Sincerely,  
Keri Fovargue, Ph.D.  
Head of School

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Individual Picture Day is Tuesday, September 23rd

Mark your calendar! Individual Picture Day is Tuesday, September 23rd. Look for order forms to be sent home soon in your child's backpack. Additional forms will be available at the front

office. If you plan to purchase your child's photo, please return your order form and payment prior to September 23rd so we can assure that all orders are submitted. Contact Leslie Russell at [picture-day@riveroakspto.org](mailto:picture-day@riveroakspto.org) with any questions. You can also visit <http://schoolportraits.lifetouch.com> for clothing suggestions and more details.

### Volunteers Needed!!!

We need volunteers to assist with picture day, Tuesday, September 23rd. Plan to meet at the front office right after drop off. We will assign you to work with a photographer to bring classes down for the specified photo times, collect paperwork and assist with other needs. Click [here to sign up](#) <http://signupschedule.com/roepto>. Don't forget that you have to register with HISD's VIPS at [www.houstonisd.org/vips](http://www.houstonisd.org/vips).

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### **You can still purchase Spirit Ads and Business Ads for the ROE Print Directory!**

**Spirit Ads** - Your child loves seeing their photo in the Directory along with encouraging words from you. You may still buy Spirit Ads online at <https://cwsclients.wufoo.com/forms/purchase-a-directory-spirit-ad/> or contact [spiritads@riveroakspto.org](mailto:spiritads@riveroakspto.org).

**Business Ads** - The ROE Directory is a great way to reach hundreds of families. There are just a few placements for Business Ads still available. You may purchase Business Ads online at <https://cwsclients.wufoo.com/forms/purchase-a-directory-business-ad/> or contact [businessads@riveroakspto.org](mailto:businessads@riveroakspto.org).

Thank you for your support!

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### **Girls Inc. of Greater Houston 2014-2015 Robotics Team**



Calling all inventors! Have you ever wondered if you could make a robot to do your chores, do your homework or just mow the lawn? Well here's your chance! We are looking for 10 girls between the ages of 9 and 14 to be part of the Girls Inc. of Greater Houston robotics team. Girls will meet twice a month on Saturdays for 3-4 hours. Team members will work together to build a LEGO MINDSTORMS robot and solve real-world problems using science and math skills. Once the team is ready to present the project, it will participate in competitions and recognition ceremonies. Participation in the program costs \$50.00 per girl, plus transportation costs and entrance to competitions will be applied. Don't miss out on this fun and exciting opportunity! To register, contact Sarah Essaied at (713)802-2260 or [sarah@girlsinc-houston.org](mailto:sarah@girlsinc-houston.org)

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SOCCER ANYONE?



Come play soccer with the Meyerland Soccer Club, and teams are forming now for the Fall season. Practices will start on or after August 25, 2014, and preseason games start on September 14, 2014 and games end before Thanksgiving. The whole goal is to have kids have a good time playing soccer. The league stresses sportsmanship, and stresses positive competitive games and the kids really seem to enjoy it. We bend over backwards to accommodate friend requests, practice day requests, sibling scheduling issues and we want friends to be able to play with friends. The earlier you register, you are more likely to have your playing requests granted. The club offers soccer in five age brackets (U4, U6, U8, U10 and U13) made up of Pre-K through Seventh Graders - i.e. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 year olds. Please contact In-house Director of Soccer, Michael Brookner at 281-686-7380 or email to [michael@brookner.net](mailto:michael@brookner.net) or Matt First, ERJCC Director of Sports and Recreation at [mfirst@erjchouston.org](mailto:mfirst@erjchouston.org) or 713-729-3200 ex. 3230 or 713-542-3864. Here is the link to allow people to register on-line:

[www.erjchouston.org/soccer](http://www.erjchouston.org/soccer)

Parents can also register by going to [www.erjchouston.org/soccer](http://www.erjchouston.org/soccer) club web page and click on the "Fall 2014 Online Registration Form." The last Fall season, we had 56 teams with over 700 players. Volunteer coaches wanted. Come join us for a great Fall season. Teams are forming now!

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## Morning Arrival Procedures

**School starts at 7:35 a.m.**

**Tardy bell is at 7:45 a.m.**



- Carpool opens at 7:10 a.m.
- Carpool line enters only heading East on San Felipe.
- Carpoolers are encouraged to arrive prior to 7:20 a.m.
- Parents may park on the area streets to escort children into the front of the building. *(Parents must exit the building by 7:45 a.m.)*
- Parents with walkers enter and exit at the front entrance

only. All parents should stop by the front office, and pick up a visitor's badge. Visitors should wear a badge at all times.

## Afternoon Dismissal Procedures

**3:15 p.m. Dismissal- M, T, Th, F**

**12:45 p.m. Dismissal- W**

- ROE Carpool signs MUST be displayed in vehicle windows.
- The carpool line enters only heading East on San Felipe.
- Parents may park on the area streets and walk to designated area for student pickup.
- Meet your child at the designated exit location.

## Safety Precautions

- AVOID cutting across Bellmeade or enter West on San Felipe into the carpool line.
- AVOID blocking driveways/traffic, using residential driveways or making u-turns.
- AVOID stopping in the street and calling children to your vehicle.
- Front Circle Drive is for Buses Only**
- AVOID being towed. Adhere to all City of Houston Parking Signage.

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## News from Nurse Petner

Dear Parents,

Here is a friendly reminder to provide a change of clothes for children at school. These can be kept in a plastic bag in the locker or in the backpack but should include shirt, underwear, pants and socks. Don't forget to change them when the weather changes. We do have accidents at school which can include spills and puddles and your child will feel his or her best if he/she has a change of clothes.

Also, in order to give any medication during school hours, whether it is over the counter or prescription, a medication form must be signed by the doctor. These medication forms are available from the nurse.

Thanks,  
Jan Petner, RN

## The IB/GT Connection



Did you know? River Oaks Elementary is an International Baccalaureate World School and GT Vanguard Magnet in HISD. All teachers, instructional coordinators, and administrators are GT Certified and trained in IB.

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