

August 7, 2014



Save the Dates

1. **Aug 21-** Meet and Greet/Road Runner Rally (5:30-7:00 p.m.)
2. **Aug 23-** New Family Orientation (9:00-10:00 a.m.)
3. **Aug 25-** First Day of School; Parent Coffee 7:45 a.m.
4. **Sept 1-** No School (Labor Day)
5. **Sept 9-** K-2 Open House (6:00-7:30 p.m.)
6. **Sept 11-** 3rd-5th Open House (6:00-7:30 p.m.)
7. **Sept 23-** School Pictures
8. **Sept. 26-** Movie Night
9. **Oct 3-** No School (Fall Holiday)
10. **Oct 11-** Fun Run

SUMMER MAILER EDITION

From the Desk of Dr. Fovargue

Dear ROE Families,

We hope you are enjoying the remaining days of summer break. The first day of school is just around the corner, and we are busy preparing for another exciting year at ROE!

Stanford scores arrived in July, and our students consistently performed above grade level in all areas. Student reports are available for pickup at ROE, or score reports will be sent home via student folders the first week of school.

STAFF UPDATE

With each new school year, we have a wonderful addition of staff members joining our team. We are excited to announce:

1st Grade: Alisha Hulse (Klein ISD)

3rd Grade: Laura Rensberger (ROE Associate Teacher)

4th Grade: Julianne Huynh (Roberts Elementary)

4th Grade: Bryant Johnson (Aldine ISD)

Music: Sally Stow (The British School of Houston)

SAVE THE DATES Fall 2014

On the left side of this newsletter, please check out the Save the Date section for important dates in the Fall of 2014. Back to school events include: Summer Playdates, New Family Orientation, Road Runner Rally (hosted by the PTO), and Meet and Greet (meet the teacher night). Also, please let me welcome you to ROE by joining us for the Parent Coffee on the First Day of School in the cafetorium from 7:45 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM UPDATE

The International Baccalaureate curriculum as well

- 11. **Oct 28-** Class Pics
- 12. **Nov 14-16-** Barnes & Nobles Book Fair
- 13. **Dec. 19-** Class Parties

as our inquiry based and differentiated instructional models continue to be the focus for all students at ROE. All teachers are trained in IB as well as hold Gifted and Talented certifications in order to be prepared to meet the needs of our gifted learners. Providing access to Gifted and Talented Standards to all students in a heterogeneous setting has proved remarkable results for ROE students. Teachers work with students individually to assess their needs, and then develop individualized and small group instruction to stretch students one year above their current performance. ROE uses the EveryDay Math Program, which is different from HISD's district curriculum. This spiraling curriculum allows our students to finish fifth grade on a sixth grade level. Our fifth grade teachers also incorporate 6th grade standards into their lessons which include algebra readiness skills. You can find more information regarding our instructional programs at <http://www.houstonisd.org/riveroakseib>

SCHOOL HOURS

M,T, TH, F 7:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

Wed. 7:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

For after school care, please visit our website at <http://riveroakselementaryschool.org/roe-connections/>

COMMUNICATION

The fastest way to receive updates and announcements from ROE is to follow us on Twitter @ROEworld. You can also view our

Twitter feed live on the ROE homepage on our [website](#). Email newsletters are sent weekly from the Head of School and PTO to inform you of upcoming events and important announcements. Please register to receive these emails from our new system My School Anywhere. You can also find this information at www.roepto.org

Kara Richardson, PTO President, will have communication to follow with more information. We look forward to another fulfilling year in working with our PTO.

Enjoy the rest of your summer break, and we look forward to seeing you in two weeks!

Serving you,
Keri Fovargue, Head of School

Back to School Meet and Greet

Thursday, August 21st

5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Class assignments will be posted in your grade hallway.

Refreshments will be on the covered blacktop.

See you there!

School Supplies

School Supplies - Order Now! - There is still time to order school supplies for next year. To order online, or to download a printable form, visit

<http://roepto.org/activities/school-supplies/>

New Family Orientation

NEW families should plan to join us Saturday, August 23rd for New Family Orientation from 9a.m.-10 a.m in the cafetorium. After orientation, Kinder parents can head out to the ROE playground for a Kinder playdate.



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.

SDMC 2014-2015 Meeting Dates

For the 2014-2015 school year, SDMC meetings will occur from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays:

September 10, 2014

December 10, 2014

February 11, 2015

May 6, 2015

Please visit ROE's SDMC webpage at

<http://www.houstonisd.org/domain/15511>

to learn about ROE's Shared Decision Making Committee.

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

Accidental Insurance Available

Accident Insurance - By law, public schools are not liable for injuries that students suffer on campus. HISD does, however, make available affordable accident insurance. Parents can buy full-time coverage (24 hours per day or only for those hours their child is at school. Enrollment information is available through Texas Kids First 1-800-388-5620 or www.texaskidsfirst.com.



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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