

**Week of October 8**

Kinder Carpool Duty

**Ms Yeager's parents**

Main Carpool Duty

**Ms Grimm's parents**

**Week of October 15**

Kinder Carpool Duty

**Ms Wadih's parents**

Main Carpool Duty

**Ms Hiller's parents**

**Important Dates**

**Tuesday, October 9**

~Name That Book Tryouts

Students in K-2

~FAC @ 3:30 pm

~PTO meeting @ 6:30 pm

~Magnet Open House @7:30

**Wednesday, October 10**

~Name That Book Tryouts

Students in grades 3-5

~Floral Design @ Godwin Pk

~SDMC meeting

**Thursday, October 11**

~1st Grade to Main Street

Theater @ 8:30 a.m.

**Friday, October 12**

~Individual & Group photos

~Popsicle & Principal Mixer

@ 3:00 p.m.—playground

**Sunday, October 14**

~Cool Brains! w/author Lois

Lowery -3:00 Johnston

MS auditorium

**Monday, October 15**

~Kindergarten to Main

Street Theater @ 8:30

**Wednesday, October 17**

~Parent Engagement:

Helping With Homework

**Week of October 22-26**

~Red Ribbon Week

**Wednesday, October 24**

~Early Dismissal @ 12:30

**Friday, October 26**

~Report Cards go home



# KOLTER ELEMENTARY

**October 9, 2012**

**Join Us!**  
**Parent Engagement**  
**Helping With Homework**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 17—1:30**  
**See flyer**



Please join us  
for a PTO Playground  
Popsicle & Principal Mixer  
Friday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

## Flower Arranging 101: Take the Challenge

Learn to make simple floral designs for autumn on Wednesday, October 10th at 10 a.m. at the Godwin Park Community Center, on Rutherglen adjacent to Kolter.

Two experienced designers will show how to turn inexpensive seasonal flowers and greenery into a table design of beauty. This free program is open to the community and is sponsored by Bouquettes Garden Club which is a southwest area club interested in all aspects of gardening.

## +COME TOGETHER: +TALK I SCHOOL CONNECTIONS OCTOBER 11, 2012

**True Grit: Is It Important to Fail?** NBC-TV recently focused on a trending American conversation on the importance of raising kids with grit and character. We support and applaud this movement which is steering the national conversation away from bullying/victimhood and toward the need for resilience & honorable behavior. Grit is a combination of persistence and resilience - the ability to work through struggles and bounce back from life's bumps.

How do we, as parents, support our schools when told our child made a mistake, is failing or is struggling academically, socially, or otherwise? Do we challenge - *or support* - the school? Do we allow our children to be accountable, to learn from their mistakes, and/or to work through difficult social or academic situations - or not? Do we have the kind of grit ourselves - *as adults* - to step back and stomach the struggles our kids must experience to be resilient, productive adults?

Join the conversation on our +Works Facebook page AND join us for +Talk I: School Connections, on Thursday, October 11th—4:30 pm for teachers/staff and 7:00 pm for parents.

Principal Shetzer is here and we just want to get together! We will keep the kinder gate open later and ask you join us for a popsicle & some afternoon playground fun! Principal Shetzer will visit after dismissal.

Tickets for our Kolter Cantina (Adult Only Fiesta on November 17<sup>th</sup>) will be for sale; our store will also be open to purchase Kolter long sleeve shirts and sweatshirts now that cooler weather is here! So, see you there!

Photo Day is Friday, Oct.12!  
Pre-Pay for Group photos, order individual photos from proofs.  
See flyer & send payment by Friday for Group photos

## Kolter Cantina Auction Committee Needs You!

We are currently seeking auction items for the Kolter Cantina, Fiesta for the Future. Are you stumped for donation ideas? Here are a few... A product or service you would like to donate such as...

- \*Art
- \*Gift certificates
- \*Fitness classes
- \*Memberships
- \*Sporting event tickets (Texans, Astros, Dynamo, Rockets, etc.)
- \*A vacation home or time share (a 3 or 5-day getaway donation)
- \*Airline miles or hotel points
- \*Theatre, rodeo or other special event tickets
- \*Host a social (think moms night out, cards and cocktails or a crawfish boil)
- \*Host a kids event (pool party, inflatables party, movie night)
- \*Personal training
- \*Sports memorabilia
- \*Jewelry
- \*American Girl doll

BE CREATIVE we all have something to offer! Please email Valerie Carville with your contribution details at [Valerie@carville.net](mailto:Valerie@carville.net). Donation deadline is November 2nd.

## Red Ribbon Week

Kolter will celebrate Red Ribbon Week during the week October 22-26. Red Ribbon Week is the oldest and largest drug prevention campaign in the country. The celebration serves as a vehicle for communities and individuals to take a stand for the hopes and dreams of our children through a process of positive decision making and choosing to live a healthy lifestyle each day.

In honor of Red Ribbon Week, our Bucket Filling program, and Positive Works campaign, each class will take part in a Door Decorating Contest in which they will creatively display a positive message. There will be surprise judges at the end of the week. The special message for each day is ...

**Monday:** Kolter Red Ribbon Week kick off  
– dress in red clothing.

**Tuesday:** Kolter promotes positive teamwork  
– wear your favorite team jersey.

**Wednesday:** Kolter promotes positive choices  
– wear Kolter gear.

**Thursday:** Kolter gives poor choices the boot  
– wear your western clothing.

**Friday:** We're hooked on Books / Book Character Parade

A list of 101 different activities, our children can do instead of drugs, is going home in today's communication folder. Please join us in encouraging them to make positive and healthy decisions, which will guide them today and in the future. Wishing you and your family a healthy October!

The Red Ribbon Committee

## More Amazing Kolter Kids!

Two Kolter Cougars performed last weekend at the 46<sup>th</sup> annual Greek Festival. Tom Maglaras, a 4<sup>th</sup> grader in Ms Wood's class, and Sophia Shebay, a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader in Ms Kyle's room, performed in the Children's Dance Program. Their performance followed many hours of lessons and practice to master the traditional folk dances from various regions in Greece. Opa, Tom and Sophia!

## Go For the Gold

### PTO Membership Drive Update

The PTO Membership drive is underway and we have had a great response. **You** can still join PTO by going online to kolterpto.com and clicking "Join PTO". The PTO sends a special thanks to the families who have chosen to support PTO at the Silver (\$100) level and above:  
Keith and Candace Desrosiers  
Steve and Gaby Goodweather  
Jeffrey and Shari Neul  
Chris and Ingrid Germany

**Congratulations to this week's weekly drawing winners, Vincent Liu and Angela Cheng!**

The sooner you join PTO, the more chances you have to win! Email membership@kolterpto.com for questions about PTO membership.

# Amazing Kolter Kids

Congratulations to the following students who were the top readers for this summer's reading program. Top readers for each grade and class met the criteria for the *Climb Up the Incentive Ladder* chart. Names in bold face indicate the top readers for each grade.

Pre-K	Lyons	<b>Mialoh de Luna</b> (10 books)	
K	Glapion	<b>Josie Goldfarb</b> (23 books) Zachary Hansen (13) books	
	Silverman	Samantha Durand (19 books) Parker Ferguson (11 books)	
	Wadih	Skylar Gonzalez (10 books) Evan Sherman (10 books)	
	Yeager	Stella Waller (20 books) <b>Landon Liu</b> (15 books)	
	Yerkovich	Madeline Roberts & Mary Moreno (10 books-tie) Brayden Friedman & Hunter Edwards (10 books-tie)	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Amundson	Charlese DeGuzman (30 books ) Joshua Washington (15 books)	
	Carr-Green	<b>Hannah Washington</b> (48 books ) Andrew Cernosek, Alexander Leif & Noah Hanson (16 books-tie)	
	Gornall	Alexis Norman and Elena Chavez (17 books -tie) <b>Carter Bernal</b> (29 books)	
	Patel	Alexandra Rodriguez (10 books)	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charpiot	Malaiika Suleman (15 books) Jean Paul Durand (15 books)
Kyle		Emma Herskovic (35 books) <b>Kevin Mao</b> (89 books)	
Miniffee		<b>Sofia Lowery</b> (102 books) Sam Goldfarb (25 books)	
Zatzkin		Selena Islam (12 books)	
3 <sup>rd</sup>		Grimm	<b>Lea Mei Guttentag</b> (4,887 pages) <b>Alex Xu</b> (5,888 pages)
	Henderson	Caroline Desrosiers (2,130 pages) Daniel Wong (3,365 pages)	
	Hiller	Chandler Jones (2,725 pages)	
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Carandas	<b>Kassandra Zegado</b> (3,045 pages) Mason Brown (2,174 pages)
		Curry	Sofia McGreger (2,446 pages)
Lidsky		Payton Smith (2,120 pages)	
Wood		Katie Pettigrew (2,602 pages) <b>Nicholas Clay</b> (11,178 pages)	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Schlautd	<b>Ella Wisdom</b> (12,206 pages) <b>Dylan Cortes</b> (3,418 pages)	
	Silk	Hayley Mangum (4,889 pages) Joon Hwa Kim (2,790 pages)	

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