



The Paw Print

October 4, 2017



Fonwood ECC is the best Early Childhood Center for students in the North Forest area because we offer a strong academic foundation in reading, mathematics, and social and emotional development. Visit us online at: www.houstonisd.org/fonwood

Wild News

ATTENDANCE INCENTIVES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Study after study confirms the value of high-quality early childhood experience for developing the cognitive, social and emotional skills that children need to succeed in Kindergarten. But, unless children attend these programs on a regular basis, they are not likely to benefit fully. At Fonwood, we reward students who come to school regularly because we believe that attendance in Pre-K lays the foundation for a child's future attendance habits and academic performance.

Every month, students who have PERFECT ATTENDANCE will be rewarded!

Monthly Perfect Attendance Incentive for October:

Fall Carnival Tickets

Weekly Perfect Attendance Incentive

Treasure Chest Prize

**Fonwood Early
Childhood Center**
"We're Wild about Learning!"
**Houston Independent
School District**
Dr. Kimberly Agnew Borders,
Principal
kagnew@houstonisd.org

School Hours

Monday - Friday

7:20 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.

Doors open for students at
7:20 a.m.

Pick up time no later than

3:05 p.m.

TARDY TIME

7:50 a.m.

If your child is Tardy you MUST come into the school and sign your child in!

"Paws" for These Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, October 11th - PK Progress Reports go home
- Thursday, October 13th - Family Literacy Night (FLN) / 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, October 19th - Read for the Record Celebration!
- Wednesday, October 25th - Parent Conferences - Kangaroos, Toucans, Elephants, Lions
- Thursday, October 26th - Parent Conferences - Bears, Gators, Hippos, Zebras
- Friday, October 27th - FALL CARNIVAL-Students are allowed to dress as their favorite book characters. No scary costumes! Teachers will send more information about book.

PAWS UP to our FONWOOD GRANDPARENTS!

On September 27th, we took the time to celebrate all Fonwood grandparents during Fonwood's Annual Grandparents Day Event. All grandparents had the opportunity to enjoy an arts and crafts activity, play Bingo and take a picture with their grandchild, as a small token of appreciation for the special roles grandparents play in our students' lives.



Thank you to the Save the Children Foundation

On September 29th, our school family was given a great donation of items, to families in need after Hurricane Harvey. Parents received items such as strollers, car seats, diapers, backpacks and hygiene packets. Thank you, Save the Children, for all the help you provided our families.



Family Literacy Night (FLN)

Date: October 12, 2017 / Time: 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Tiger Cubs and families will have the opportunity to enjoy a read aloud from a local Houston author and participate in a fabulous craft. Also come learn about School Choice that can benefit your child's continued education from HISD magnet schools.



Have you signed up for Ready Rosie?

Schools and families work better together when families understand exactly how they can support their child. That is why Ready Rosie's Modeled Moment Videos are helpful. The videos take place in real environments such as restaurants, grocery stores, and playgrounds, to demonstrate how to find learning moments in everyday activities. If you have not signed up, let your child's teacher know, so that she/he can help you register. We would like to have 100% parents registered! Help us meet our goal!

Birthday Announcements on Marquee

Make your child's birthday extra special by displaying his/her name on the Fonwood Marquee!

- Cost is \$10
- Please return Birthday Marquee Request Form to your child's teacher by Friday, October 13, 2017.
- Birthday messages will be displayed on Mondays and will appear for one week.
- 100% of the proceeds benefit your child through school activities and programs.



Library Extended Hours

Library hours have been extended to parents and the community this year. On Monday's and Tuesday's from 3:05-5:05pm visit the school library to check out books to take home.

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PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Evidence suggests that family engagement matters for student success. At Fonwood, there are several opportunities for families to take an active role in their children's education. One very important time of the year is Parent Conferences which are held three times during the year. Teachers meet with all parents to talk about their children's CIRCLE assessment results. Parents are also provided with strategies and tools to help support learning at home.

Wednesday, OCTOBER 25, 2017

Kangaroos, Toucans, Elephants, Lions- Time TBD

Thursday, OCTOBER 26, 2017

Bears, Gators, Hippos, Zebras - Time TBD



Pink-Out- Breast Cancer Awareness Day!

On Friday, October 20th, we are encouraging all of student parents to wear pink to spread Breast Cancer Awareness.



What is a Parent Advisory Council (PAC)?

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is a vehicle for parents to become involved in their child's education. Fonwood ECC held its first PAC meeting on Tuesday, October 2, 2017 in the school cafeteria. Participating parents/guardians discussed the Parent Compact for possible revisions, upcoming Parents Actively Working (PAW) events, and fundraising ideas for the 2017-2018 school year.

PAC President- Chaz Smith

PAC VP- Nikita Miller

PAC Secretary- Linda Cordosa



Read for the Record at FONWOOD

Every year, children and adults worldwide participate in the world's largest shared reading experience called Read for the Record. This year, Read for the Record will be celebrated at Fonwood on Thursday, October 19th with the book "Quackers" by Liz Wong. **Parents or guardians who would like to volunteer to read to our PK students can call the office at 713-633-0781.** Fonwood will help break the world reading record (again!) for the most people reading the same book on the same day!

Book Character Parade

All students are encouraged to participate in the Book Character Parade. Teachers will be sending information regarding the book that the class will be using and what the costume should look like. You will be getting more information from your child's classroom teacher regarding this event, the theme selected and any other details.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COMMUNITY HELPER'S DAY

Next month in November, Fonwood ECC will be celebrating Community Helpers Day to culminate our unit of study about people in the community. **We would like to invite our parents and other family members and friends to come and talk to our students about what they do at their jobs.**

If you can come, please fill out the form that your child will bring home today and send it back to your child's teacher on or before Monday, October 13th. As soon as we hear back from you, we will send you a note to confirm the time of your presentation. You can also call the school at 713-633-0781 and talk to Ms. Martinez.

FALL CARNIVAL

Friday, October 27th, 2017



Students can dress as their favorite storybook characters.

No scary costumes!

More information to come in Weekly Word!

Pre-sale Tickets = 5 tickets for \$1.00

Day of the carnival = 4 tickets for \$1.00

Wristbands = \$15.00 (Pre-sale or Day of carnival)

(Pre-sale tickets/ wristbands can be purchased 10/13/17 to 10/26/17)

Tickets can be used for food and games at the carnival.

Wristbands include unlimited games, 1 popcorn, 1 hot dog, 1 chip and 1 drink (water or soda)