



December 4, 2014

## **KINDERGARTEN NEWS:**



Kindergarten will send home order forms for class t-shirts. The cost is \$5.00 per shirt – XXL and XXXL will cost \$7.00. Orders and payment are due back to your classroom teacher by ***TOMORROW*** - Friday, December 5, 2014. ***NO OTHER ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THIS DATE!***

## **KINDERGARTEN TESTING:**



Kindergarten students will be administered the Iowa Test December 5-12, 2014. It is very important for the students to be in attendance for this test.

## **ATTENDANCE – COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY & BE A WINNER!:**



All students who ***DO NOT MISS ONE DAY OF SCHOOL*** for the next 3 weeks (until December 19<sup>th</sup>) will win a stocking filled with goodies.

## **CONGRATULATIONS!:**

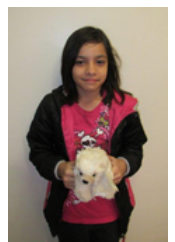
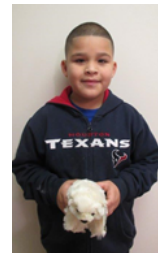
***Congratulations to the following students for coming to school every day from November 17-21, 2014 – they won a small stuffed animal:***



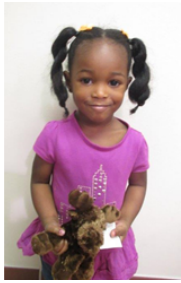
Genesis Benitez – Ms. Valenciano – PK  
Ashley Castro – Mrs. Morales – K  
Isaias Arguello – Mrs. Diaz – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Yohana Bernabe Juarez – Mr. Diaz – 2<sup>nd</sup>



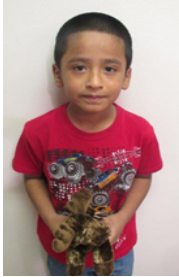
Adam Avalos – Ms. Rodriguez – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Georgina Beltran – Mrs. Chavarria – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Alexis Blackwell – Mrs. Vazquez – 5<sup>th</sup>



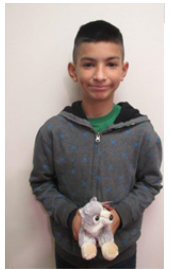
***Congratulations to the following students for coming to school every day from November 24-25, 2014 – they won a small stuffed animal:***



Morgan Campbell – Mr. Doria – PK  
Eduardo Castro – Mrs. Herrera – K  
Julielle Avila – Mrs. Petry – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Bobby Brooks – Mrs. Sanders – 2<sup>nd</sup>

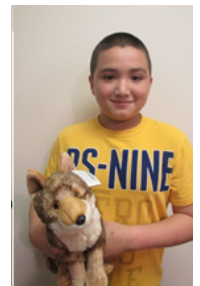
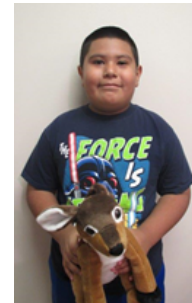
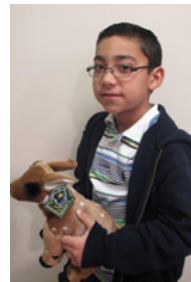


Angel Blanco – Ms. Delcid – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Joselyne Blanco – Ms. Mottu – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Cristian Carrillo – Ms. Vazquez – 5<sup>th</sup>



The following students won a medium sized stuffed animal – they came to school every day of school from October 27 to November 25, 2014 – 5 weeks in a row – **WOW! Congratulations!**

Noel Vasquez – Ms. Valenciano - PK  
Alexander Martinez – Mrs. Petry – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Enrique Martinez – Mrs. Ybarbo – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Eric Meza – Ms. Burton – 5<sup>th</sup>



## **THANK YOU:**



***THANK YOU*** to all of the students and staff for your generous donations toward the Thanksgiving Food Drive! Ten families from our school were blessed with an overflow of groceries that added joy to their holiday. The following classrooms went above and beyond in their generosity and have won \$10 for their classroom:

PK – Mr. Diaz Jr. (28 items)  
Kinder – Mrs. Herrera (66 items)  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Mrs. Petry (19 items)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Mrs. Woulard (91 items)

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Mrs. Ybarbo (112 items)  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Ms. Mottu (61 items)  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Ms. Lindberg (115 items)

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

## **FALL FESTIVAL:**



A big thank you to everyone who attended our Fall Festival on November 21<sup>st</sup>. In spite of the weather, we had a great turn-out. Your participation made our festival a success!

## **HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES:**



On Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, the Lyons Vocal Pride, Cheerleaders, and Ballet Folklorico will be taking a field trip to perform at Primrose Assisted Living and at

Greenspoint Mall. Details will be provided to participants through the club sponsors. VIPS with

students in these clubs please talk to the club sponsor to be a chaperone.



**On Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**, the Lyons Vocal Pride, Band, Cheerleaders and Ballet Folklorico will be performing two holiday concerts at Lyons. At 2:00 p.m., there will be a show for students and faculty **ONLY**. At 7:00 p.m., there will be performance open to the public for friends and family. The concert will also feature work from the SCRATCH club and Recipe for Success! You do not want to miss this show!

## **LYONS HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP:**



Need a gift for your parents, teacher, friends, brothers, sisters? Do your one stop holiday shopping at the Lyons Holiday Gift Shop from **Monday, December 8 – Friday, December 12**. The shop will be open during students' library times.

**NO CHECKS - PLEASE - CASH ONLY**

## **TOY DRIVE:**



We invite you to be a “**Secret Santa**” to a child as we join forces with KHOU Channel 11's in their annual Toy Drive. **NEW, UNWRAPPED toys may be dropped off** to Mrs. Bridges or Mrs. Acosta in the library between now and Tuesday, December 16. Your generous donation will benefit the Salvation Army, an organization that has provided Christmas assistance to disadvantaged children and seniors in our community for over 115 years.

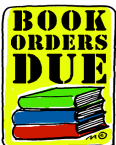
## **SANTA IS COMING TO LYONS:**



Santa Claus is coming to Lyons to take a picture with you on Thursday, December 11, 2014. The cost is only \$6.00 for a package of 3 - 4X6 pictures – **CASH ONLY**. Pictures may be taken with or without Santa. There will be no extra charge for more than one person in the picture. (Please list the names of all students to be included in the picture on the back of the order envelope – put the teacher's name beside the student's name)

So invite your friends, family, and siblings to join you in your Santa picture. Order forms with payment envelopes will be sent home with students. Students taking pictures with Santa are to return the order forms to their teachers.

## **FROM MRS. WARREN – READING LAB:**



Students, if you would like to place a Scholastic book order, please let Ms. Warren know **before December 12, 2014**. If you place an order of \$10.00 or more, you could get a coupon for a free \$5.00 book (limited amount available). Please turn in payment with your order form.

## **GT Window #2 CogAT TESTING FOR GIFTED & TALENTED**



### **IDENTS:**

We are currently accepting applications for our Vanguard Neighborhood Gifted &

Talented Program for students in 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grades. If you would like to have your child tested, please stop by the office and pick up an application. Return the complete application to your child's teacher before Monday December 15, 2014. Applicants will be tested during the week of December 15.

## **LYONS BAND NOTES:**

Band Shirts will be arriving very soon; we've only ordered enough shirts for the total number of Band students and those parents/teachers that have paid in advance. If you have yet to turn in money for your son/daughters Band T- shirt please do so to Mr. Page as soon as possible. Shirts will be distributed to students (and Band Parents via the students) as soon as they arrive on campus!

We encourage you to start looking now for a **solid long sleeve white button down dress shirt and black slacks** (pants) for **ALL Band and Choir students** as this will be a required part of their Christmas Concert Performance uniform!!

## **HOLIDAY DANCE:**



The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is sponsoring a Holiday Dance on Wednesday, December 17, 2014. Cost is \$1.00 per student. Snacks and trinkets will be sold – price range from 25¢ - \$2.00. Students will attend the dance during their ancillary times. ***THIS DANCE IS FOR LYONS STUDENTS ONLY!***

## **BASKETBALL NEWS:**



Congratulations to the Lyons Basketball Team as they beat a very good Thurgood Marshall Team by the score of 15-11. What a game of ups and downs again! The Lyons were in charge most of the game, playing very good team defense and were in the lead at half time. Arian Santiago swished a long two pointer, and that gave him the confidence to try a 3 pointer practically from the parking lot, and he swished that in too!! The first 3 pointer of the season for Lyons! Jezel Valdez was up to her old tricks, playing aggressive defense and swishing a long 2 pointer of her own. Thurgood Marshall came out in the second half very determined. Lyons bent, falling behind late in the second half, but never broke. With his team down, David Marquez knew what he had to do, and came out and made a shot while getting fouled! He made the free throw to put his team ahead and Lyons never looked back. Cristopher Guevara was on the free throw line with under a minute left in the game, and calmly, coolly sank both free throws to give Lyons the win. In the end Arian Santiago finished with 5 points, Cristopher Guevara had 4 points, David Marquez and Jezel Valdez both had 3 points, and the Gomez brothers Alexander and Jonathan both played very disciplined and tough games. Great, great job to the whole team!



The next basketball game will be today, Thursday, December 4, 2014. Lyons will be playing Herrera ES. All games are played at 4516 Irvington Blvd., Houston, TX 77009.

## **LITERACY X 3:**

***A Game to Review Synonyms & Antonyms:*** Using *synonyms* (words with similar meanings) and *antonyms* (words with opposite meanings) can build your child's vocabulary. Try this easy game to help your child learn to use them. To play:

1. **The first player names an adjective** (a describing word), such as *excellent*. Then, she calls out a synonym of that word, like *wonderful*.

2. **The second player gives an antonym** (opposite) – in this case, *terrible*. That player then names another word and a synonym (for example, *bright* and *dazzling*) for which the first player can name an antonym (*dim*).

In a variation of this game, the first player names a word and its antonym, such as *mean* and *nice*. The next player names another synonym for each of those words (*rotten* and *kind*).

*Source: T. Augarde, The Oxford A to Z word Games, oxford University Press.*

## **BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION:**



Don't forget to save your BoxTops. You may use the form located at the end of this week's Pawprints. Please help Lyons by saving your BoxTops **and** Campbell Soup Labels. You may turn in your BoxTops and Campbell Soup Labels to Mrs. Acosta. For a complete list of General Mills BoxTops for Education participating products visit **[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)**.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**REMINDER: EARLY DISMISSAL EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 1:00 P.M.**



Dec. 1-17 Holiday Toy Drive

Dec. 4 Lyons vs Herrera Basketball Game



Dec. 5-12 IOWA Test - Kindergarten

Dec. 5 Kindergarten T-Shirt Orders Due

Lyons vs Burbank ES Soccer Game 4:15

Dec. 8-10 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Camp

Dec. 8-12 Holiday Gift Shop



Dec. 11 Santa Pictures \$6.00



Dec. 12 G.R.E.A.T. Reading Program

Dec. 13 Navidad de Barrio 8:45 – 2:00



Dec. 15 VIPS Meeting/Holiday Luncheon 1:00

G/T Application Due

Dec. 16 Lyons Vocal Pride, Ballet Folklorico & Cheerleaders to Greenspoint Mall & PrimRose Assisted Living



Dec. 17 Holiday Dance \$1



Dec. 18 Holiday Program with Lyons Band, Vocal Pride, Cheerleaders, Ballet Folklorico, Scratch Club & Recipe for Success 7:00 p.m.



**Dec. 19 EARLY DISMISSAL 1:00 P.M.**



**Dec. 22-Jan. 5 NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK**

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cecilia A. Gonzales, Principal


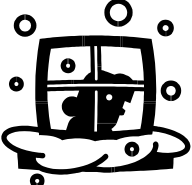

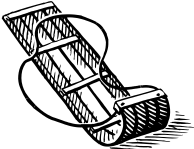

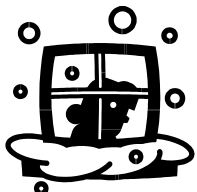

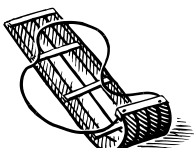

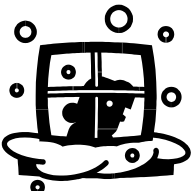

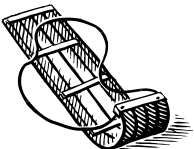

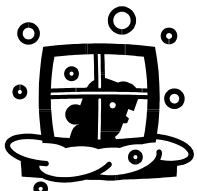

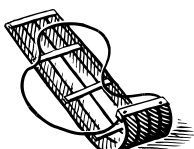

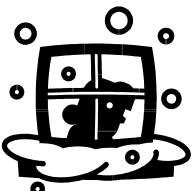

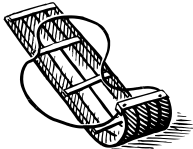




## "Let It Snow Box Tops"

Collect 30 Box Tops coupons and glue or tape one on each space.



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