

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 March 09, 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 12-16 Spring Break

Mar 22 SDMC Meeting

3:45p

Mar 23 Report Cards (period ending Mar 9)

Apr 6 Spring Holiday - No School

Apr 18 Early Dismissal at 1:45pm

PROPOSED UNIFORM START TIMES

Are you aware that HISD is proposing uniform start times for next year? There is a survey for community feedback. The link to the survey is <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HISDTimeSurvey>.

In a nutshell, half the elementary schools would start at 7:30am and end at 3:00pm, the other half would start at 8:30am and end at 4:00pm. All middle schools would start at 7:45am and end at 3:15pm, and all high schools would start at 8:45am and end at 4:15pm.

In the coming weeks, HISD will be gathering community input on the streamlined bell schedule option, before making a formal proposal for the Board of Education's consideration by May 17. Parents can get more information about the proposed start times on the HISD portal.

LANIER LINES

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Thanks to everyone who contributed Ronald McDonald wish list items; we collected over 2,000 items! We had everything from food to cleaning supplies to office supplies – the staff at RMH was amazed – and excited – to receive such a large donation. Way to go, Pups!

...and now congratulations to the newest members of Lanier's National Junior Honor Society:

Arcos, Gabriel
Black, Madison
Bonte, Mitchell
Capfer, Adam
Cardenas, Olivia
Chen, Veean
Harrison, Diane
Hennings, Erich
Huerta, Zara
Kenna, Emma
Krall, Mitchell
Mattiuzzi, Noah
Mena, Alexandra
Mueller, Ashley

Myers, Samantha
Nielsen, Grace
Perkins, James
Saldivar, Brandon
Schwierking, Benjamin
Shiller, Logan
Song, Bowen
Sumner, Hannah
Swart, Ned
Von Ek, Aaron
Waterland, Maya
Yao, Amy
Yao, Curtis
Yard, Stacey

Please be sure to return your acceptance letter with dues to Ms. Tobola. Thank you to all who submitted applications this year. If you were not accepted at this time, don't panic; you can reapply for NJHS membership after your first 9 week report card of 8th grade.

PURPLE PUP PRAISE

HISD HISTORY FAIR WINNER

She did it again!!!! On Saturday, February 25, 2012, our very own 7th grade student, **Maiya Archie**, represented the North Region at the HISD History Fair competition. She took 2nd place in the Individual Exhibit category for her project: *Rebuilding the Galveston Seawall*. Maiya will represent Lanier and HISD at the state competition in Austin! Congratulations and good luck!!!

HOUSTON AREA REGIONAL ODYSSEY OF THE MIND COMPETITION

CONGRATULATIONS! The 2012 Lanier Middle School Odyssey of the Mind Team brought home 4th place medals in the "To Be or Not to Be" Problem on Saturday March 3rd in the Houston Area Regional Odyssey of the Mind Competition. 6th Graders: Tommy Hayes, Caleb Herrera, Christopher Levitt, Caroline O'Connor, Katherine Powers and Samantha Su and Parent Coaches: Jill Herrera and Shannon Hayes will now advance to the State Competition, once again proudly representing Lanier Middle School against competitors from around the Lone Star State. Come join us for laugh out loud fun and cheer on the team at the Texas Odyssey of the Mind Competition on Saturday April 14, 2012 at Westchester Academy for International Studies, 901 Yorkchester Dr., Houston 77079, near I-10 and Wilcrest.

LANIER DANCE TEAM

On Saturday, March 3, Lanier's Dance Team competed in Galveston, where they dominated the middle school division, winning the Best in Class Team award.

The girls also won a Sweepstakes Award and a Gussie Nell Davis Award for their routines, which means that all three of the routines they entered scored a 90 or above from all three judges.

They took home Judges' Awards for their Pom and Novelty routines and an award for Best Overall Choreography.

In the Large Ensemble Category, the 8th graders were the first runners-up and the 7th graders were the winners.

In the duet category, Skyler Fariss and Sam Everett were the first runners-up and Skyler Kelly and Amanda Knight were the winners.

In the solo category, Emma Lyon was the first runner-up and Myrah Porter was the winner.

The most exciting awards of the evening were Lanier's wins for Academic Champion, based on Dance Team's outstanding GPA and the Sportsmanship Award, which was voted on by all the teams attending the competition.

Way to go, Dance Team!

IB CORNER

THEME OF THE WEEK: REFLECTION

– 6: a thought, idea, or opinion formed or a remark made as a result of meditation
7: consideration of some subject matter, idea, or purpose

<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/reflection>

PURPLE PUP SPORTS BOX

TRACK & FIELD

Mar 20-21 District Meet (7th) at Dyer 4:30p

Mar 22-23 District Meet (8th) at Dyer 4:30p

SOFTBALL

Mar 21 Lanier at Spring Branch Memorial 4:30p

Mar 22 Lanier vs. Impact at So. Campus 4:30p

SOCCER

Mar 19 Lanier at Pin Oak 5:00p*

GIRLS LACROSSE

Mar 22 Friendswood at So. Campus 7:00p

Mar 25 Lanier at CyFair 2:00p

BASEBALL

Mar 22 Lanier at Revere 4:15p

*Girls games at 5:00p. Boys immediately after.

GIRLS LACROSSE

On Saturday, March 3, the Lanier Girls make a strong showing at The Woodlands 7th Annual Junior High/Middle School Lacrosse Play Day. The Pups won six out of ten games played, including victories against teams from The Woodlands, Cy Fair and Kingwood.



Although the overwhelming majority of the players were new to lacrosse this year, the girls have demonstrated remarkable aptitude in learning the sport from talented coaches Caitlin Kingsley and Katie Imber. The Pups have shown great teamwork and sportsmanship, drawing praise from opponents' families and coaches.

Come on out and see the Lanier lacrosse team in action!

March 22 vs. Friendswood - South Campus, 7pm

March 25 vs. CyFair - at CyFair, 2pm

March 29 vs. Clear Lake - South Campus, 7:30pm

April 5 vs. Klein - South Campus, 7pm

April 10 vs. Spring Branch - South Campus, 7pm

April 17 vs. Stratford - South Campus, 7pm

April 22 vs. Friendswood - at Friendswood, 3pm

April 28 Woodlands end of season tournament, 8am-5pm

BOYS SOCCER

The boys soccer team beat Welch yesterday by a score of 6 to 0. The Pups played great team defense and only allowed one scoring opportunity for the Warriors. Cameron Williams opened up the scoring after 15 minutes with a brilliant set piece from outside the penalty area. After that, the team got more focused and the rout was on. The team was led in scoring by Max Ballard with 2 goals. Jesse Aranda-Comer, Tomas Telle, Cameron Williams and Mitchell Watson all had one goal apiece. Come cheer on the Pups at the next game!

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

All information contained in the Purple Page is correct as of 8pm, March 7, 2012, and has been printed with the approval of Linda Smith, Lanier Principal.