



EXEMPLARY EXPRESS

WINDSOR VILLAGE ELEMENTARY HISD/TEA EXEMPLARY

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Winter Holiday Break – December 19th – January 2, 2012

Vanguard Application Process – December 12th - January 6th

**Spelling Bee - If your child is in the Spelling Bee, please access all
Spelling Bee words at www.spellingbee.com**

CURL UP WITH A GOOD BOOK: Student/Staff wears long sleeve and long bottom pajamas

- On Friday, **December 16th** students and staff will wear their pajamas to school to "Curl Up with a Good Book". Pajamas bottoms must be long...no shorts allowed. Students may wear robes and bring slippers to change into after they arrive to school. They may also bring their favorite book for the event.

HOLIDAY PACKETS:

- We are soliciting the support of all parents to ensure that students complete their holiday packet. All students will receive a packet with a focus on learning activities leading to success on the Stanford and STAAR tests. Our goal is for 100% of our students to meet promotional standards. Please make sure your child's packet is returned on **January 3, 2012**.

STAAR/BENCHMARK - MIDDLE OF YEAR ASSESSMENTS:

- Students in grades 3-5 will take a **Middle of the Year Assessment** in Reading, Math, Science and Social Studies. The test will provide a good indication as to how your child is performing in these areas. The testing schedule is as follows **January 9 - 16, 2012**. Please make sure your child is at school on these days so that information can be shared with you regarding your child's progress.

SCIENCE FAIR:

- All students in grades PK-5th will participate in the Science Fair. PK-2nd graders will complete a project as a class. Students in 3rd will do class, group or individual as specified by the classroom teacher. Students in grades 4 and 5 will complete an individual or group project. It is a major part of their Science grade. Timelines: **January 9th** - Students show the final copy of their research and experiment to their teacher. **January 16th** - Class Science Fair-Students Bring project boards to school for class fair. Teachers will judge the individual projects. **January 26th** - Winning class projects will be judged at the school fair.

CLASS PARTIES:

- All class parties will be held on Thursday, December 15th at 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Teachers will inform parents of what students will need for the party.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:

- Help make a difference at Windsor Village Elementary School by clipping Box Tops coupons from hundreds of participating products or by shopping online at www.btf.com. Box Tops for Education nourish the lives of students by enhancing their learning environment. Earnings can be used to purchase anything from playground equipment to classroom supplies. Spread the word about box tops! Students may drop off box tops in room 45.

GOOD SEARCH:

- Did you know that you can earn money for our school by simply conducting your online searches using www.goodsearch.com? Good Search is powered by yahoo, and it allows you to conduct searches just like other search engines. The only difference is Good Search donates money to our school every time you use it. Simply go to www.goodsearch.com choose a cause (School: Windsor Village Elementary), search, shop, or dine, and they make a donation for every search or purchase. It's that simple.

NAME THAT BOOK - K-2ND:

- The Name That Book Competition is **February 27 - March 2, 2012**. If you would like for your child to participate in this event practices will be held on Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm in room 10 starting Thursday, December 1st. Parents must provide transportation and students must be picked up on time. Please contact the Sponsors, Mrs. B. Adams and Mrs. M. Edwards if you have questions.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/CHECK SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR SCHOOL CALENDAR

December 10, 2011	Windsor Village Community Garden Workday – 8:15am to 12:15pm
December 12-13, 2011	No Tutorials next week
December 14, 2011	3 rd grade Field Trip – The Museum of Fine Arts
December 15, 2011	Classroom Parties – 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
December 16, 2011	Toys for Students-All students who attend school on the 16 th will receive a wooden toy.
December 16, 2011	Curl Up with a Good Book - Students wear pajamas to school
December 19-Jan. 2, 2012	Winter Break (students return on January 3, 2012)

ATTACHMENTS:

Windsor Village Community Garden Workday Flyer

Windsor Village is a Bully Free zone. Report all bullying incidents to school administration.