Greetings!

Grandparents Day lunch has been rescheduled to tomorrow, Friday, September 16, 2022 for grandparents of SPED, PK – 1st grade. Our students are looking forward to having lunch with their grandparents. Welcome to Lyons grandparents!

Every Friday is Spirit Day. Staff and students are asked to show school spirit by wearing their favorite Lyons shirt on Fridays. Let's ROAR!!

Open House will be tonight, Thursday, September 15 for SLL, Kinder-5th grades. from 4:30-6:30. This is an opportunity for teachers to give parents an insight of expectations for the 22-23 school year. Also, parents will be able to visit the Fall Book Fair and sign up their children for various after-school clubs. School spirit t-shirts will also be sold. We look forward to seeing all of our parents this evening.

Student ID Badges have been delivered to all PreK & Kinder students. Parents, it is very important that your child wears his/her ID badge to school everyday for safety reasons. Lyons provided the first badge at no cost. But, if the badge is lost or damaged, it is the parent’s responsibility to replace at a cost of $5. You may go to the front office to order a replacement. If your child is in an upper grade, their badges are in the process of being created.

Have a wonderful week!

Principal Olivia Casares

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School Hours
Monday- Friday
7:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
Instruction begins at 7:30 A.M.
Tardy Slips begin at 7:40 A.M.
Dismissal begins at 2:50 P.M.

Office Hours
Monday – Friday
7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Social Media
Follow us on Facebook: Lyons Elementary School-HISD
Follow us on Twitter: @LyonsElementary

Important Dates for the Week:

Thursday, Sept. 15
- Open House 4:30-6:30
- Fall Book Fair 4:00 – 6:00
- Club Sign Ups

Friday, Sept 16
- Constitution Day Reading – 3rd Grade
- Grandparents Day Lunch – Rescheduled
- Progress Reports go home

Sept. 19-Oct. 19
- BOY CIRCLE for Pre-K students

Paw Message from Mrs. Petry
“You’re AMAZING just the way you are!”
Coffee with the Principal/Parent Engagement meetings are usually held on the last Thursday of every month from 8:30 – 8:50 a.m. followed by the Parent Engagement meeting from 8:50 – 9:45 a.m. We look forward to seeing you at our meetings.
LYONS NEWS

Pawprints is a weekly newsletter that contains school information, news, and upcoming events. It is available online every Tuesday. 
http://www.houstonisd.org/LyonsES
If you do not have a computer or internet access, there will be some newsletters available in print at our Parent Corner outside the office.

FROM THE ATTENDANCE OFFICE:

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!! At Houston ISD, missing school can lead to a student not receiving grades or being retained. This includes those students under an IEP (Individualized Education Plan) and Section 504 plans. Students should not miss more than 10% of the school year.

RELEASE OF STUDENTS BEFORE REGULAR DISMISSAL:

❖ Students WILL NOT be released after 2:15 P.M. – please plan accordingly – try to schedule all appointments after school hours or on non-school days. Remember, if leaving early for an appointment, to bring note from appointment the next day.
❖ ONLY people listed on the enrollment card will be allowed to take a student from school during regular school hours. This includes parents/guardians. This is the reason it is important for parents/guardians to list themselves as contact #1 & #2 on the enrollment card. Other contacts may be listed on the back of the enrollment card.
❖ Everyone picking up a student will have to present valid picture identification to the school office. NO EXCEPTIONS! This is for the safety of your child!!

Please check future Pawprints for more information from the attendance office.

PLEASE NOTE: Call the school office if your child is absent – the office calls parents on a daily basis of students who are absent. If you call beforehand, this will save time and an interruption of your daily routine.

OPEN HOUSE:

🍎 Tonight, Thursday, September 15  4:30-6:30
For parents of Kinder -5th grades and SLL only. Parents will not be able to visit with teachers in Pre-K

This is an opportunity for teachers to give parents an insight of expectations for the 22-23 school year. Also, parents may sign up their children up for various after-school clubs.
Some clubs are only open to specific grades levels.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Pre-K 101 Open House and visited our Fall Book Fair last Tuesday. **PLEASE NOTE: the Lyons Fall Bookfair will be open from 4:00-6:00 for parents to visit. This is a good opportunity to visit the bookfair with your children.**

*We look forward to seeing all of our parents on these two evenings!*  

**FALL BOOK FAIR:**

Lyons Fall Book Fair will be from Tuesday, September 13 to Tuesday, September 20. Students will be allowed to visit the book fair throughout the school day by a set schedule. Parents will only be able to visit the book fair with their children at Open House.

**Book Fair Hours for Open House:**

- September 15: SLL, Kinder – 5th Grades  4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Books may be also be purchased on-line. The information will be included in the flyer being sent home.

**CONSTITUTION DAY READING:**

In honor of Constitution Day, Lyons will have a special guest – Professor Philip Page – to read to our 3rd grade students tomorrow, Friday, September 16. Professor Page is from the South Texas College of Law Houston. We look forward to his visit.

**GRANDPARENTS DAY:**

Unfortunately, we lost power Thursday morning and was unable to host our Grandparents Day lunch. It has been rescheduled to tomorrow, Friday, September 16. Remember this is ONLY for grandparents OF SP ED, Pre-K, Kinder and 1st grade students,. The cost of the lunch will be $6.00. Memory pictures will be available for $6.00 for 2- 4 X6” pictures – only one grandchild per picture. Please make sure that the grandparents know who the student’s teacher is. Official ID is required – drivers license, passport, etc.

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THIRD GRADE SPIRIT T-SHIRT SALES:

_**GET YOUR JAM ON.**..._ Third grade students may order their 3rd grade spirit t-shirts now. Order forms were sent home this week. The cost for youth sizes is $11.00 and $12 for adult shirts sizes S-XL. (2XL - $14, $15-XXL, $16-4XL). All orders, with payment, are due Thursday, September 23, 2022.

*CASH ONLY - NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE!* 

SCHOOL-WIDE FUNDRAISER:

Lyons is hosting an **ON-LINE** cookie dough, holiday and gifts fundraiser starting next Monday, September 12 and ending on Monday, September 26. Register today at [www.supportandgive.com/21297](http://www.supportandgive.com/21297). Please share this fundraiser with your friends and family. Credit card payments are accepted. Checks are to be made out to Lyons Elementary School. Orders will be delivered directly to your home. With the holidays right around the corner, you can get your holiday shopping done now - items can be shipped anywhere in the USA. Please refer to the flyer being sent home for the prizes the students can earn from their sales.

BEGINNING OF THE YEAR PACKETS:

If you have not returned your child’s beginning of the year packets, please do so now. 

**THEY ARE OVERDUE!** Please use either black or blue ink – **DO NOT USE PENCIL or WHITE-OUT.** These forms are a requirement and are placed in your child’s permanent folder. It is very important that the enrollment card (gold cardstock) is returned - we must have this on file! In case of an emergency, we must have a means of being able to contact you. Remember, Contact #1 & Contact #2 must be parent or guardian. We use this as verification when students are picked up.

NOTES FROM THE NURSE:

Please do not send children to school sick…..if they are throwing up, have a fever, coughing excessively, have a sore throat, etc., they need to stay home. If a child has a fever, they must be fever free for 24 hours **without** medication before returning to school. Students who have tested positive with COVID must stay home for 5 days. The positive result must be sent to the nurse. If a home test was taken, please take a picture of the positive result and send that to [lharri15@houstonisd.org](mailto:lharri15@houstonisd.org). Remember this is for the well-being of our entire school community!
HISD – TEXT ”YES”.

One of the ways Lyons Elementary and Houston ISD communicates with parents is through text. To receive text message communications from Lyons & HISD, simply text to “Yes” to 67587. You must have the correct phone number on file. Please remember to contact the office if your phone number changes.

If you have not received any calls this past week from Lyons, please call the school to verify the number we have on file for your child.

VISITORS:

Houston ISD requires ALL visitors who come to our campus to enter through the main entrance and register at our reception desk. A valid driver’s license, ID, or passport is required to sign in, you must register every time you visit our campus. A volunteer or visitor pass MUST be worn and be visible at all times while on campus. Any other doors are not to be used as an entrance or exit. This is for the school’s security and our students’ safety.

VOLUNTEERS:

Houston ISD requires ALL school volunteers to pass Background Checks. The background checks may take up to 2-3 weeks so if you wish to volunteer for a field trip, help out for a school event, and/or attend a classroom event, you MUST be a registered VIP. All parents must register online at www.houstonisd.org/vipslogin.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **September 12-16**  BOY Ren Reading & Make-ups  Grades K-5th
- **September 12-26**  School-wide Fundraiser  **ON-LINE**
- **September 15**  Open House  4:30 – 6:30 p.m. **For Kinder to 5th only**
  Fall Book Fair  4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
  Sign Up for Clubs  4:30-6:30
- **September 16**  Grandparents Day Lunch –  **RESCHEDULED**  SPED, PK, Kinder, 1st Grades
  Constitution Day Reading by Professor Page – 3rd Grade
  Progress Reports go home
- **September 19- October 19**  BOY CIRCLE  Pre-K
- **September 23**  3rd Grade Spirit T-Shirt orders w/payment due
- **September 29**  Coffee with Principal / Parent Engagement Meeting  **IN PERSON**
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
(Parent Engagement meetings will be held the last Thursday of the month)

October 4 & 5

October 12
4th Grade Field Lesson – Houston Zoo 9:00 – 1:00

October 27
2nd Grade & SLL Field Lesson – Houston Zoo 8:00-1:00

November 8
5th grade Field Lesson to Houston Symphony 8:45 -11:45

November 11
3rd grade Field Lesson to Houston Zoo 8:30 – 1:30

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Approved:

Olivia Casares, Principal
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September 15 – October 15

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