

Pawprints

The Lyons Elementary Newsletter
November 9, 2023



Greetings!

There will be no school for student tomorrow, Friday, November 10. Students are to return to school on Monday, November 13. Students should be in their classrooms by 7:30 – the tardy bell rings at 7:40.

Parents/guardians, please remember to have correct phone #'s on file with the school. Telephone mailboxes need to be set up to accept phone calls. There are a lot of times, the nurse, administrators or office staff need to reach parents and are unable because the phone # has been changed or the mailbox has not been set up.

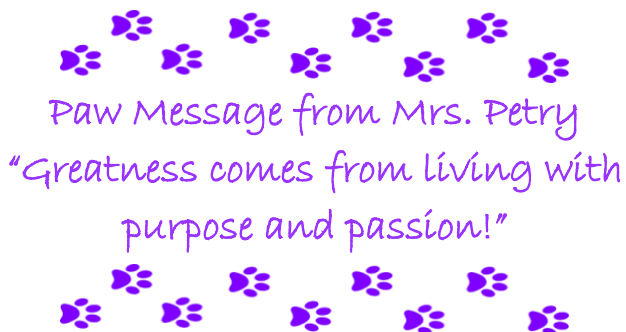
**IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE SCHOOL
IS ABLE TO REACH PARENTS/GUARDIANS!**

Have a GREAT week!

Olivia A. Cásaes



Olivia Casares
Lyons



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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 3:00 P.M.

Office Hours

Monday – Friday

7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Social Media

Follow us on Facebook:

Lyons Elementary School-HISD

Follow us on Twitter:

@LyonsElementary

Important Dates for the Week:

Friday, Nov. 10

➤ **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

Monday, Nov. 13-17

➤ Generation TX Week




- Mon: Cartoons for College
- Tues: Step up for Education
- Wed: Your Future Starts Here
- Thurs: Show Me the Money
- Fri: What A JeanIUS Idea

Tuesday, Nov. 14

➤ Class Pictures / Retakes

Friday, Nov. 17

➤ **REPORT CARD DAY**

November 2023					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 G.R.E.A.T.	4 SET CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR @ MIDNIGHT
6 Immunizations 9 am - 2 pm	7	8	9	10 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	11
13 Cartoons for College	14  Class Pictures / Retakes Step Up for Education	15 Your Future Starts Here Generation TX Week	16 Show Me the Money	17 Report Card Day What a Jean(ius) Idea	18
20	21	22	23 	24	25
	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK				
27	28	29	30 Coffee With the Principal / Parent Involvement 8:15 A.M.		

Absences add up!

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.



**NO SCHOOL
TOMORROW
FRIDAY, November 10, 2023**
Students return Monday, November 13, 2023

VACCINATIONS:



Parents of students who still require some of their mandatory vaccinations need to update all required vaccinations. Please see the list below for locations, times and dates where parents can take their children for vaccinations. Cost is **FREE!** Please take your child's immunizations records

Region	School Name	Date of Clinic	Time of Clinic	Providing Clinic
West	Sylvan Rodriguez	Tuesdays	9-2:00	Texas Children's Mobile
West	Pilgrim Academy	Wednesdays	9-2:00	TCH mobile
	Sharpstown HS 7504 Bissonnet St	Saturday Nov. 11, 2023	9:00-1:00	HISD Health & Medical Services
	Fondren MS 6333 S Braeswood Blvd	Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023	9:00-1:00	HISD Health & Medical Services



Texas Children's Mobile unit was at Lyons last Monday to give free shots to students. We had a lot of families take advantage of this opportunity. **A BIG THANK YOU to the Texas Children's Mobile unit!**

TRUNK OR TREAT:



A special THANK YOU to La Tienda – they donated a generous amount of candy for the PK Trunk or Treat fundraiser. Their generosity is greatly appreciated!

G.R.E.A.T. READING PROGRAM:



The G.R.E.A.T. Reading Program was last Friday, November 3, 2023. Thank you to all of the volunteers who took time out of their busy schedules to read to our students. The children enjoyed having you read the book “With Lots of Love” to them.

COUNSELOR’S CORNER:

November is **Generation Texas Month**, a statewide movement to ensure students have the information and resources regarding post-secondary options such as college, career, and military. **Generation TX Week is November 13-17th**. Houston ISD schools will celebrate the week with college and career activities such as college fairs, college visits (virtual), college application drives, and FAFSA drives. High school Counselors and college advisors will also focus on helping seniors complete college applications on **Go Apply Texas** and financial aid applications through **FAFSA**. All HS seniors are required to apply to at least one college during this week.

Mon. , Nov. 13	CARTOONS FOR COLLEGE <i>Wear your favorite cartoon shirt to show that college can be fun</i>
Tues., Nov. 14	STEP UP FOR EDUCATION <i>Wear favorite tennis shoes or crazy socks to show your flair for college</i>
Wed., Nov. 15	YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE <i>Wear your school spirit shirt to show your future starts</i>
Thurs., Nov. 16	SHOW ME THE MONEY <i>Wear green to promote financing my future dreams and goals of going to college</i>
Friday, November 17	WHAT A JEAN(IUS) IDEA <i>Wear your jeans and college t-shirt or college colors that you would like to attend</i>

5th GRADE T-SHIRT SALES:



The 5th grade team will be ordering their 5th grade class t-shirt for the 2023-2024 school year very soon. The cost is \$15 per shirt – cash only, please – no checks. Order forms are being sent home with students. Please complete the form and return it with payment to a 5th grade teacher by Friday, November 17, 2023.

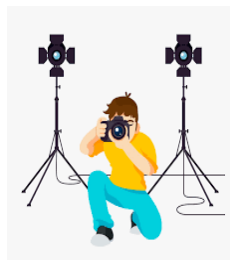


2nd GRADE T-SHIRT SALES:



2nd Grade t-shirt order forms with payment were due yesterday, Wednesday, November 8, 2023. Cost is \$12 for youth shirts and \$14 for adult shirts. Cash only – no checks please.

GROUP PICTURES & RETAKES:



Group/class pictures will be taken next Tuesday, November 14, 2023. Cost is \$15 for 1-8x10 picture. You may pre-pay online at provinestudios.com. Make sure that you fill out the order form completely, including your package selection. Write in your online order # in the appropriate boxes. Checks may be made payable to Provine School Pictures (include phone number, address, student/teacher, and school on check). Please only one student per order. If you are paying by cash, please send the correct change. The photographers and office will not have change available.



Retakes be done on the same day for those students who were absent or not here on individual picture day. Order forms are available in the front office. Retakes will also be done for the pictures that parents were not satisfied with. Student MUST bring the complete original package and give to the photographer.

GT TESTING FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS:



We are currently accepting applications for our Vanguard Neighborhood Gifted and Talented Program for students in Kinder, 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades (NOT 2nd graders). If you would like to have your child tested, please complete the GT application that are available at the school front office. Complete application before November 10, 2023. Applicants will be tested during the window of November 13 – December 16, 2023. Please contact

Mr. Buitrago if you have any questions or concerns. hbuitrag@houstonisd.org or at (713) 696 2870.

POSSIP PULSE CHECKS- SHARE YOUR VOICE:



HISD started Possip Pulse checks on Thursday, October 19, 2023. Parents will receive a Pulse Check via text or email and will be asked to respond to the Possip Check. Possip provides HISD with a report of family responses. The HISD responds to family feedback and shares praise. How does Possip help support schools:

- Recurring pulse Check Surveys
- Sent via text & email
- No app or login needed
- Respond in your home language
- Actionable data for schools & districts
- Stronger school communities

CODE OF CONDUCT BOOK:



Parents who requested a copy of the Student Code of Conduct Book may access the book online – unfortunately, we do not have any copies available.

Code of Conduct – English:

<https://www.houstonisd.org//cms/lib2/TX01001591/Centricity/Domain/7905/2324%20Code%20of%20Conduct%20English.pdf>

Code of Conduct in Spanish

<https://www.houstonisd.org//cms/lib2/TX01001591/Centricity/Domain/7905/2324%20Codigo%20de%20Conducta.pdf>

PHONE CALLS:



Have you been receiving phone calls from Lyons ES or Houston ISD? The office calls parents of absent students on a daily basis, Mrs. Cásaes does a weekly call out on Sundays, teachers, staff and the nurse make calls to parents. If you have not received any calls, that means we do not have the correct phone number on file for your child. Please call the school to update your number.

BEGINNING OF YEAR PACKETS:



If you have not sent in your child's beginning of the year packet, please do so NOW. They are over-due. It is very important that every form is completed, signed and dated. Staff has been returning incomplete forms home that need to be filled out. Please complete and return. Remember to use blue or black ink – NOT PENCIL. The enrollment card needs to be filled out **completely** not just the top portion. For security and safety of your children the information has to be updated and on file.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov. 10

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Saturday

Nov. 11

FREE Vaccinations at Fondren MS 9:00-1:00

FREE Vaccinations at Sharpstown HS 9:00-1:00



Nov. 14

Class Group Pictures & Retakes

Nov. 17

Report Card Day

Nov. 20-24

Thanksgiving Break – **NO SCHOOL**

Dec. 6

Cheerleader Fundraiser at Chik Fil A 5:00-800 p.m.



Veterans Day is a holiday honoring all service members.

This year it will be Saturday, November 11, 2023

World War I officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, but the fighting actually ended seven months before then, when the Allies and Germany put into effect an armistice on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, according to the [U.S. Department of Defense](#).

Due to this, November 11, 1918, was largely considered the end of “the war to end all wars,” and called Armistice Day. Congress officially recognized Nov. 11 as the end of the war in 1926, declaring it as an official holiday to honor veterans of World War I in 1938.

When World War II and the Korean War occurred, various veterans' organizations urged Congress to alter the meaning of the holiday to be broader and celebrate all veterans. On June 1, 1954, Congress amended the holiday by changing it from Armistice Day to Veterans Day, honoring American veterans of all wars.

Source: Google – Delaware Online

Approved:

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Olivia Casares, Principal
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