Greetings!
Welcome to our Lyons family, Mr. Jeb Cohen-school nurse and Ms. Roseanne Mora-PK Teacher Assistant. We want to thank and wish Dr. Harris success in her new position as HISD’s Health & Medical Services Manager. She was with us for a few days to assist Mr. Cohen in his transition as our school nurse. Additionally, she will also be our Health & Medical Service Manager for the 2022-23 school year. I also want to thank everyone for their support during our Open House Events and Grandparent's Day. They were a great success!

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

Paw Message from Mrs. Petry
"Be gentle with yourself – You are doing the best you can!"
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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.

Please 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. Remember to notify the office if your phone number is changed so that we can update your child’s record.

FALL PICTURES:

Fall school pictures will be taken next Thursday, September 29. Order forms were sent home this week. Payment is due on that day. Payment may be done on-line – be sure to enter your confirmation # on the envelope. If you pay by check, make checks payable to Provine School Pictures and include your child and teacher’s name on the check along with address, phone # and school name. One order form with payment per student. Please send the correct change as neither the office or photographers will have change available.

COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL / PARENT ENGAGEMENT MEETING:

The first Coffee with the Principal & Parent Engagement meeting of the school year will be next Thursday, September 29 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. This meeting will be held in-person. We are looking forward to seeing you here!

GOOD-BYE DR. HARRIS:

Dr. Harris has been our wonderful school nurse for the last 13 years. This Friday will be her last day at Lyons Elementary. She has stated that she loves Lyons and has enjoyed her time here, but is looking forward to lending her voice and efforts to making an impact on the health and
safety of the overall HISD community as a HISD Health and Medical Services Manager. 

**GOOD LUCK TO YOU, DR. HARRIS, IN EVERYTHING YOU UNDERTAKE – YOU WILL BE MISSED!!**

**WELCOME TO LYONS NURSE COHEN:**

As Dr. Harris is leaving Lyons, she has worked hard to find a wonderful replacement for us... Nurse Jeb Cohen. Dr. Harris has been working with Nurse Cohen this week showing him the ins & outs of Lyons Elementary and introducing him to the students. **WELCOME TO LYONS ELEMENTARY NURSE COHEN!!**

**WELCOME MRS. MORA:**

We also welcomed Mrs. Mora to Lyons as a new teachers’ assistant this week. Mrs. Mora will be working with Pre-K. Welcome to Lyons Mrs. Mora!

**OPEN HOUSE:**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Open House. It was good to see you here!

**FALL BOOK FAIR:**

Thank you to everyone who purchased books from the Fall Book Fair. You helped to make it a huge success.

**GRANDPARENTS DAY:**

Thanks to all the grandparents for visiting our school last week. Your grandchildren were so happy that you were able to join them for lunch!

**SCHOOL-WIDE FUNDRAISER:**

The last day to order from the school-wide fundraiser is next Monday, September 26, 2022. Thank you to everyone who participated - you helped to make this fundraiser a success!

**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.

**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](http://www.houstonisd.org/vipslogin).

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- **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**
  - Fall Pictures

- **October 4 & 5**
  - **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**
    - (Parent Engagement meetings will be held the last Thursday of the month)

- **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
  - GREAT Reading Program

- **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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This week was **Mental Health Awareness Week**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our daily activities.
Approved:

_ Olívía A. Cásares _
Olivia Casares, Principal
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