



TUESDAY E-FOLDER – January 5, 2021

Dear Travis Families,

Here are items to note for the Week of January 4-8, 2021:

A NOTE FROM MRS. Q: Student Art Kits and Virtual Student Drive-Thru Pickup!

I am excited to announce that we are distributing art supplies to all our Travis artists! Many of our supplies have been on backorder since August and we have been patiently waiting for them to be able to distribute them. Each student will receive a bag with an art eraser, pencil sharpener, glue stick, sharpie, oil pastels, watercolor pallet, and a sketchbook. **Our in-person, campus-based students will receive these items at school over the next few days.**

For our families engaged in the virtual setting, you are invited to pick up your child's Art Kit at our **drive-thru pick up** on **Tuesday, Jan. 12 from 3:15-4:15 p.m.** Simply pull your car up curbside at the intersection of Florence and Merrill Streets (near the back porch entrance to the school) and we will safely place the materials in your car, touch-free, and maintaining social distancing. (For those unable to pick up during the drive-thru time, materials will be available for pick-up in the Travis office beginning this Friday.) Art Kits for virtual families will also come with a portfolio of mixed media paper and watercolor paper, and any extra supplies needed for their art show piece.

Thank you all for your continued support of our Travis art program. Next week we will begin working on masterpieces for our virtual spring art show that will feature every Travis artist. Be on the lookout for more information on the art show in the weeks to come! If you have any questions about Art Kits or portfolios, please reach out to me. – **Summer Quiñones**, Travis Art Teacher (Mrs. Q
– Danielle.Quinones@houstonisd.org)

SEEKING NAME THAT BOOK COMPETITORS

Calling all bookworms! Travis Elementary's **Name That Book** teams are looking for participants this year. The *Name That Book* contest, coordinated by the HISD Department of Library Services, serves to acquaint HISD students with classic literature as well as contemporary award-winning books, representing a variety of genres. The district-wide competition is held in the spring. If you would like to try-out for the team, please let me know by this **Friday, Jan. 8**. We have K-2 and 3-5 teams consisting of six members each that read books from a predetermined list and identify quotes from those books in competition. If you are interested, please note that meetings/practices will be held in person, one day a week (day and time to be determined) after school on campus. For more information, please visit <https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/179107> or reach out to me with questions. Thank you and Happy New Year! – **Theresa Sims**, Travis Librarian (tvetrano@houstonisd.org)

MARATHON KIDS KICKOFF CELEBRATION

Travis Elementary will ring in the New Year with a Marathon Kids Kickoff Celebration next week, **the week of Jan. 11-15**. In our Marathon Kids **Run in 2021** campaign, students will have the opportunity to set running

goals and strive to complete them before the end of the school year. **Our in-person, campus-based students will have their Kickoff Celebration during their regularly scheduled PE class that week.**

For our families engaged in the virtual setting, your child(ren) is/are invited to participate in an after-school Kickoff Celebration on the running track in the Travis SPARK PARK at these dates and times:

Wednesday, Jan. 13 (virtual students only)

- 3:00-3:45 – Kindergarten
- 4:00-4:45 – 1st Grade
- 5:00-5:45 – 2nd Grade

Thursday, Jan. 14 (virtual students only)

- 3:00-3:45 – 3rd grade
- 4:00-4:45 – 4th Grade
- 5:00-5:45 – 5th Grade

Parents, you are invited to track your child's progress in their running goals and submit running miles from home by accepting the invitation from Marathon Kids that was sent on Dec. 15. For more information about Marathon Kids, go to <https://marathonkids.org/> or contact me. – **Coach Sharon Dodd**, Travis P.E. Teacher (ssipps@houstonisd.org)

LOST & FOUND

Is your child missing a jacket, water bottle, book, or toy? The Lost & Found is brimming with beloved belongings, and yours could be one of them. Please make sure to stop by during school hours and check for your child(ren)'s missing belongings before items are donated. The Lost & Found is conveniently located in the foyer across from the office near the front entrances to the school.

MLK DAY HOLIDAY

There will be no school (virtual or in-person) **on Monday, Jan. 18** in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr Holiday.

Wishing you a great week!