# the husky herald

#### THE ADVENTURE BEGINS NOW!

## HERE'S WHERE WE'RE HEADING NEXT!

February 14: Donuts with Dads Valentine's Breakfast at 7:30 AM February 17: Read On Hyer Ends February 20: Student Holiday/President's Day February 21: New Student Round-up at 9:00 AM February 22: Read on Hyer All-School Celebration February 23: Daddy/Daughter Dance March 1-3: Spring Book Fair March 1: Hyer Spirit Day March 3: Grandfriends Day March 7: Taco Tuesday @ Taco Joint in Preston Center March 8: PTA Coffee Talk March 9: Class Group Pictures





There is no school on Monday, February 20, in honor of President's Day. Have some cake, wish "happy birthday" to Presidents Washington and Lincoln, and celebrate the leaders of our great nation!

## THANK YOU HYER CROSSING GUARDS!

THIS WEDNESDAY IS CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION DAY! First Smile. Last Mile. Each and Every Day

We've all seen them sweating in the heat, drenched

in the pouring rain, freezing in the cold temps - and smiling through it all! Let's show our crossing guards some Husky **LOVE** on **Wednesday**, **February 15!** Have your student make a card, bring a flower or



treat, or simply say "thank you for being here and keeping me safe" - all great ways to show we appreciate the service they give each and every day!



#### **CONGRATULATIONS HEART AT WORK RECIPIENTS!**

Please help us celebrate our most recent Heart at Work Recipients who were nominated by parents or staff members. Congratulations to:

Lorena Escobedo Kennedy Sanders Aline Hernandez Shelton Maddox



We are so proud of these fabulous staff members! It is truly an honor to continue to recognize these wonderful people and the things they are doing at Hyer that make us an incredible school. Click <u>HERE</u> to recognize an outstanding Hyer staff member by submitting an online Heart At Work form.

#### KC CLUB'S SNACK FOOD DRIVE STARTS TODAY!

#### DONATIONS WILL BENEFIT CHILDREN COPING WITH HOMELESSNESS! SEE BELOW FOR YOUR GRADE LEVEL'S ASSIGNED DONATION ITEM



The 4th Grade KC Club (Kindness and Compassion Club) is kicking off our next community service project benefitting **Vogel Alcove**. Vogel Alcove a non-profit organization helping young children and their families overcome the lasting and traumatic effects of homelessness.

We will be collecting individual snack items which will be assembled by KC Club members in paper bag "snack packs" and then distributed by Vogel Alcove to the children in their program. **The drive starts today and will continue through Tuesday, February 21st. Donation boxes are located in each grade level pod.** These bags provide vital additional nutrition and bridge any gap between meals. They are often used to keep children satiated and occupied on long DART commutes from Vogel Alcove to the shelter where their family resides.

Please purchase items according to the grade level breakdown below. This will ensure we cover all the necessary items to complete a nutritional snack pack bag. You do not need to assemble the snack packs, just bring your assigned item to the collection bins in the grade level pods.

- **PreK, Kinder & 1st Grade:** Individual size Go-Go Squeeze, Apple Sauce Cups or Fruit Strips/Snacks
- **2nd Grade:** Individual Bags of either Goldfish Crackers, Cheese Crackers (no Peanut Butter) or Individual servings of cereal such as Cheerios



- 3rd Grade: Mini bottles of water, Capri Suns or Roaring Waters
- **4th Grade:** Bumble Bee Snack on the Run Chicken Salad Kit with Crackers

The KC Club members are very enthusiastic about helping Vogel Alcove feed these children and ease the burden of homelessness. We thank you in advance for your generous donations. Please contact Community Service Chair <u>Nancy West</u> with any questions.

## **KINDERGARTEN & NEW STUDENT ROUND-UP**

#### Welcome, Class of 2036!

Kindergarten Round-Up is 9 AM on February 21 in the Hyer Cafetorium



Hyer will open its doors at 9 AM on February 21 to families of incoming kindergarten students for our annual Kindergarten Round-Up information meeting. This session will provide incoming families with general information about the school, volunteer opportunities for parents and helpful hints for enrolling students for a successful start in kindergarten. Round-up is for parents only.

New student and kindergarten enrollment for the 2023-24 school year is now open. Enrollment for all incoming new students in grades K-12 is completed online through a secure portal. Families new to HPISD are encouraged to review the HPISD Enrolling a New Student webpage for detailed information about the 4-Step Enrollment Process, including a complete list of all required documents and how to scan and upload records.

Please contact Kim Shelton at (214) 780-3305 with questions regarding enrollment.



## Grandfriends Day Schedule March 3, 2023

Pre-K & Kindergarten 8:30-9:00 Student's Classroom

**First Grade** 

8:30-8:45 Program in Cafetorium 8:45-9:15 Student's Classroom

Second Grade 9:00-9:15 Program in Cafetorium 9:15-9:45 Student's Classroom

Third Grade 9:30-9:45 Program in Cafetorium 9:45-10:15 Student's Classroom

Fourth Grade:

10:00-10:15 Program in Cafetorium 10:15-10:45 Student's Classroom

\*We love Grandfriends at Hyer, but are unable to accommodate guests staying for lunch. Please let your family know this in advance. Call the office if you have any questions.\*

Grandparents and/or special friends are encouraged to visit Hyer to learn about their students' educational activities. Guests should enter through the front entrance and sign in. To help with crowding, parents **should not** plan to attend unless their student does not have a Grandfriend able to attend.

Volunteers will be spaced throughout the building to help guide our Grandfriends. Our elevator (located on the west side of the building) will be available for use by Grandfriends requiring additional assistance.

To help us plan accordingly, please RSVP your Grandfriends by Wednesday, March 1st at 10:00AM.

**RSVP NOW!** 

#### **REGISTER NOW FOR PARENTS NIGHT OUT ON FEB 24!**

#### PIZZA! PJS! FUN WITH FRIENDS!

Join hosts Ms. McDaniel and Ms. Standish for PNO fun from 6-10 PM next Friday, February 24! Tickets are \$50 for the first child and \$40 each for siblings. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information

and to download the registration form. Spots are limited to 50 Huskies and will go fast!



## PARTNER WITH THE HYER CARNIVAL TEAM TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Do you want to become a Carnival sponsor? You are in luck because there is still time to make it happen! Sponsorships are a perfect way to support Hyer and have your family or business name recognized at the event. Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about sponsorship benefits.



Contact Kelly Morgan if you would like to become a sponsor!

## HYER PTA GIFT COMMITTEE REQUESTS DUE FEB 24



The Hyer PTA Gift Committee meets twice a year to review, approve and fund our school's educational programs, recurring expenses, classroom requests and other school enhancements. Parents are welcome to submit any gift requests for enhancing the learning environment at Hyer. Click <u>HERE</u> to fill out a Gift Request Form. All Gift Request Forms are due by Friday, February 24. Please

submit any questions to Brooke Messer, 2022-2023 Gift Committee Chair.

#### THE COUNTDOWN IS ON! READ ON HYER ENDS FRIDAY!



All minutes must be entered by 10 PM Thursday to be counted

The countdown is on! Just four more days of reading are left in Read On Hyer! Click <u>HERE</u> to log reading minutes and send pledge requests. Read more to earn awesome VIP Reader Rewards! <u>Paper logs</u> are available to help you track your minutes, but all minutes MUST be entered <u>online</u> by this Thursday, February 16th, at 10pm to be counted (no exceptions).



Need more minutes? Click below to read along with Principal Burt!

Classrooms that raise at least \$3,500 in pledges will have an extra recess! A few classes have already earned this prize and several classes are very close, so be sure to get all those pledges entered! See the leaderboard <u>HERE</u>. Pledge prizes will be distributed on February 15th and February 21nd. Our All School Celebration will be on February 22nd.

Check out the <u>PTA website</u> for more information. Contact <u>Erika Kohl</u>, Read on HYER Chair 2022-2023, with any questions.

## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!



#### **VOLUNTEER FOR THE SPRING BOOK FAIR!**

We hope your kiddos are planning to explore new books this spring! Our Book Fair is just around the corner. This will be a great time to stock up on books for your fun spring adventures. We would love to have Hyer parents volunteer at our in-



person Book Fair. Please click the link below to sign up for a shift.

#### **VOLUNTEER NOW!**

Please contact Library Chair Ashley Blanchette with any questions.

#### SIGN UP NOW FOR THE DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE!

The Dads Club will host its annual Daddy Daughter Dance on Thursday, February 23rd, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the Dallas Country Club. There will be a DJ, games, food, photo booths and lots of fun for the girls and their dads!



Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the event. Tickets for one father and one daughter are \$75. Tickets for

one father and multiple daughters are \$100, and tickets for photos (including our standard photo booth and a new 360-degree photo booth) are \$20 (though these tickets will be \$30 the night of).

## THE HYER ART PROGRAM NEEDS YOUR HELP!

#### SIGN UP NOW TO VOLUNTEER IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH!



Your budding artists love to show off their work, and they need our help to do that! Please consider volunteering to come help upload student art to

Artsonia and decorate bulletin boards with student artwork around the school. No artistic ability required, just click <u>HERE</u> to sign-up. Please contact <u>Katie</u> <u>Winston</u> with any questions.

#### SAVE A LIFE FEB 22 DURING THE HYER BLOOD DRIVE!





#### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### **CHEER ON THE MUSTANGS AND SUPPORT HYER!**

and juice before school. No RSVP needed—just grab your Dad

and come!



Get your tickets for the SMU Basketball vs #3 Houston game on Thursday, February 16th at 6pm! This ticket offer includes the unique experience for students to head to the tunnel near the SMU locker room and hi-five the players before the game. Cheer on the Mustangs against one of the best teams in the country by securing your tickets from the link above. For every ticket that's purchased, a small portion of funds will be donated back to our PTA.



To the **Moradi Family** for preparing an amazing kick off video! To**Mrs. Brandt**, **Mrs. Cristofoli**, **Mrs. McClendon** and **Mrs. Davis** for a spirited and memorable skit performance and to**Jesus** for putting up our eye-catching Read On Hyer advertisements.

Thank you, **Third Grade Families**, for providing goodies and drinks for our teachers and helping us stock the teacher's lounge.

Huge thanks to **Amanda Hamilton** for her work on the PTA Coffee Talk with David Thomas and Sissy Goff! It was so wonderful hearing from this amazing duo on Intentional Parenting. I know that we all took away some great lessons!

A round of applause for Read On Hyer Chair Erika Kohl and Ways and Means Officer Ann Higginbottom, as well as ROH committee members Margaret Kelley, Lindsay Reeves, Nina Toups, Melissa Johnston, and Cathy Geiszler for all their hard work making sure Read On Hyer is a success!

A huge High Five and standing ovation to **Mrs. Conklin** for leading our spectacular First Graders in an absolutely adorable Valentine's performance! Thank you for all your hard work! What a magical show!

Thank you to **Nicole Cardwell**, **Kristin Evans**, **Nancy West** and **Brooke Messer** for making Miss Thompson feel extra loved during Counselor Appreciation Week. We had a wonderful week celebrating one of Hyer's VIPs!

Thank you to **Nellie Dunn, Brooke Messer**, and **Brynn Tremper** for having a great Quarterly Husky Shop Review. We have some exciting plans for the rest of the school year in the Husky Shop – stay

tuned!

Huge thanks to **Delbarr Moradi** for keeping our Instagram updated with all the details of what's going on at Hyer. We appreciate you sharing all of the information quickly and in a timely manner!

#### FOURTH GRADE SKIT

That's a wrap on the Fourth Grade Skit! Thank you to our amazing skit chairs, **Jacque Green**, **Lindsay James** and **Janet Muller**, for doing a wonderful job with all of your planning. It was a flawless event and we are forever grateful for your help! Thanks to our Dad MCs – **John Schaeufele**, **John Wallace** and **Kyle Green**. You stole the show and entertained the audience! Thank you to our**Skit Leads** for all the time and effort you put into these amazing performances for our students. Thank you to all the **Fourth Grade Parents** who participated in this long standing Hyer tradition. It was such a memorable and special day for our Fourth Graders. Thank you to the **Fourth Grade Teachers** for dazzling us with your special performance and to **Principal Burt** for your help in navigating this treasured tradition.

Thank you to all the **Skit Volunteers** who helped behind the scenes. Our success was in your helping hands, and we greatly appreciate you all! Thank you, **Michelle Hunt, Amanda Hamilton, Brooke Messer, Kate Bryant, Lauren Phillips** and **Lisa Leet**.

A fabulous Fourth Grade Skit would not be complete without a fun and festive Wrap Party! Thank you to our Skit Lunch Chairs, **Kristi Berlin** and **Kathleen Rutledge**, for a fabulous celebration! It was a wonderful afternoon full of friends, food and fun!

Last, but certainly not least, a huge thank you to **Brittany Hunt**, our fabulous Fourth Grade Activities Chair, for all of your help throughout the year. You have done an amazing job making sure our Fourth Graders (and their parents) leave Hyer with so many treasured memories and experiences!

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