



ROE News

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CALENDAR ITEMS

October 20	Anti-Bullying Seminar for Parents, 5:30-7:30
October 21	Cookie dough pick up, after school in cafe
October 25	Class picture day and make-ups
October 26	NNAT testing for all Fifth Graders and all Kinders
November 12	Fall Frenzy, 7-11pm

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!

Buy your raffle tickets online at the ROE Store for \$10 and get a chance to win a computer, iPad, Texans tickets, a family photography session, and much more. You could be the lucky winner for only \$10 but you have to be IN it to WIN it!!! Thanks for all of your support of ROE.

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. SHENKER

Reports of school bullying and violence have become much too common in our country. The recent tragedy in a local school district reminds us that no community is exempt from these difficult issues. I hope that each of you will plan to attend the session in our cafeteria on Wednesday from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm. Dr. Stewart Twemlow, a renowned expert on the subject, will speak about how we might identify and prevent bullying. I appreciate the generosity of our PTO in the funding of this important event. I hope to see you there!

FALL FRENZY STICKER CONTEST ENDS THIS FRIDAY!!!

Attention ALL Students: You still have a chance to have your artwork featured at the upcoming Fall Frenzy Auction!!! Please enter a drawing on an 8X11 sheet of paper displaying why you think people in our community should donate to ROE. The PTO will use the money raised this year to upgrade Mr. Rainn's science lab if you need to use that as a guide. All entries are due by October 22nd and the winner will be announced on October 29th. The students in the Mini UN will judge the entries. Please be sure to include your name and grade on the back of your entry. Happy drawing!

BULLYING PREVENTION WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS - TOMORROW

The PTO will host a Bullying Prevention Seminar for parents this coming Wednesday, October 20th at 5:30pm in the ROE cafeteria. Don't miss out on this special opportunity as national experts lead us to better understand one of the most troubling issues our children can face. Contact Deyla DeAnda at 713-524-8430 to request childcare. --Meredith Maierson

AUCTION TICKETS ACCEPTED DURING DROP-OFFS THIS THURSDAY

Don't have time to go online to purchase your tickets to the upcoming Fall Frenzy or think you'll forget to drop them in the PTO's locker? No problem! We'll be accepting money (cash or checks) this Thursday, Oct 21st during the morning drop-offs @ carpool. Please complete the form sent home in the Green Folders, include your payment, and we'll grab it as your child exits the car for the day. At this year's event, we will explore an exotic array of cultures as you tour around the world with an International World Traveler theme. All money raised will go towards updating and expanding ROE's Science Lab. We hope to see you there!

PICTURE DAY: CLASS PICTURES AND MAKE-UPS

SAY CHEESE! Class Pictures and Individual Make-up Pictures are scheduled for MONDAY OCTOBER 25th. Please remember to order you Class Pictures! If your child missed individual pictures or you'd like retakes, these will also be offered on the same day. Please see the flyer in your communication folders.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – FALL FRENZY, NOVEMBER 12TH

Please step up to volunteer at the 2010 Fall Frenzy Auction Party and Auction! It's a fun and engaging way

to meet fellow parents at the school's main parent social function.

Please email amiecanfield@yahoo.com with your preferred 30 min. time slot/area of interest to assist the night of the auction, Friday Nov 12th. The areas are Setup, Breakdown, Game, Raffle, Drinks, Check-in, Check-out, and the time slots begin at 6:30pm and end at 11pm. We will try to accommodate your preference in what area you'd like, based primarily on the time slot you select. Thanks. - The Auction Committee

NEW FROM ADVANCED ACADEMICS

You are invited to an exciting new speaker series that kicks off November 3, 6:00 p.m., in the HISD Board Auditorium. Dr. Richard Olenchak will present Gifted is More than Academic: The Importance of Meeting Social-Emotional Needs. Check your child's folder for a flyer containing more information.

COOKIE DOUGH PICK UP, THURS., OCT 21

Cookie dough may be picked up from the stage the afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 21. Please plan to pick up your cookie dough from the stage by the end of the school day on Friday, Oct. 22 at the latest. Thanks! Colleen Morris -- sally-foster@riveroakspto.org

JOHNS HOPKINS TALENT SEARCH

Last year, fifth grader, Olivia Williams registered for CTY! You can too! Every year, Johns Hopkins University, Center for Talented Youth (CTY) leads a search for the best and brightest students, grades 2-8, in order to offer recognition and opportunities for qualifying students. If you are interested in finding out more, go online to www.cty.jhu.edu/forschools

STICKING TO MAGNET

If you haven't heard, HISD is conducting a Magnet Program Review. One way to become involved in the process is to attend one of the community meetings listed below:

- Tuesday, October 26, 7:00 p.m., Madison High School
- Wednesday, October 27, 7:00 p.m., Key Middle School
- Thursday, October 28, 7:00 p.m., Bellaire High School
- Saturday, October 30, 9:00 a.m., HISD Hattie Mae White Educational Support Center —Auditorium

Another way is to take a very short on-line survey by going to HISD's homepage, <http://www.houstonisd.org/> and clicking on the purple box toward the top. Please don't let ROE's voice go unheard during this process!

CAR POOL UPDATE

The new carpool dismissal procedure is up and running, however, one of the office administrators (often Ms. Shenker or Ms. Dalquist) has been spending time taking

the names of early car pool arrivers so that dismissal can be as smooth as possible. We are looking for parents to take on this role so that our administrators can attend to running the school, not car pool. This job would only take a small amount of time at dismissal. This is perfect for those of you who arrive early already! Simply hop out of your car and take a list of names of those in line. We are looking for half year commitments.

ELECTION DAY SAFETY

Election Day is on its way. We need parents to man a table on Election Day to provide safety and direction for voters and students alike. We are asking for 2-2 1/2 hour commitments between the hours of 7:30 – 3:00 on November 2, 2010.

CRIME ALERT

A number of automobile burglaries in the neighborhood and Pumpkin Park have recently been reported to the River Oaks Patrol. Taking personal items from a car only takes a matter of seconds. For your safety, please be vigilant about NOT leaving items in plain sight when parking near the school or in the area. Should any suspicious activity be witnessed, please contact River Oaks Patrol at 713-622-0001.

LOST AND FOUND

Missing anything? As these Fall days go from chilly to hot, we're finding a lot of jackets. Please take a minute and check the lost and found in the cafeteria if you've noticed your child's sweatshirts and jackets have not come home. Thanks.

SCHOOLHOUSE PARTNERS

Look for the SchoolHouse Partners flyer in your child's green folder today and learn about all SchoolHouse Partners has to offer.

What Is SchoolHouse Partners? Schoolhouse Partners is a locally owned and operated company whose mission is to connect people to pre-screened service providers while funding schools and other non-profits. SchoolHouse Partners offers 33 services and 55 service providers that cover the greater Houston area.

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