



ROE News

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CALENDAR ITEMS

October 15	Fun Run
October 18	Middle School Mystery Matrix Meeting
October 19	Middle School Madness Meeting
October 29	3 rd Grade Play Date
November 5	Fall Frenzy!

FROM THE DESK OF DR. FOVARGUE

According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, did you know most Americans confuse Veteran's Day with Memorial Day?

Veterans Day gives Americans the opportunity to celebrate the bravery and sacrifice of all U.S. veterans. **Veterans Day**, formerly known as **Armistice Day**, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislation that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day." As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

Please join the faculty and students as we come together to celebrate Veteran's Day the morning of November 11th. Students will participate in a myriad of activities to honor our Veterans. Please share this information with family, friends, and neighbors, so you can join us for this exciting event. Look for details coming home soon.

--Dr Keri Fovargue, Head of School

FUN RUN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

'The Run' is this Saturday! Everyone is invited- mom, dad and all siblings. Come run, walk or cheer. We gather at 8:30 and begin the competitive runs at 8:45. If you haven't register, please do at the event before 8:30. The run is less than 1/3mi for 4th grade and up and then we will shorten the track for each lower grade. The family run will be around 9:30. Coffee and muffins will be served.

Please bring your own water bottle to reduce the need for all those that were donated. Remember to keep yourself and your kids hydrated. It's a hot event. Come and have fun!

--Natalie Cordova and David Bowden, Fun Run Chairs

FUN RUN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Fun Run is **THIS Saturday** and we need volunteers! We are expecting a great turnout and we need help to make the event safe and fun. Please consider signing up for a one hour time slot with the moonwalk, potato sack races or obstacle course.

We also need volunteers after drop off on **Wednesday, October 12**, to help with t-shirts and from 3 to 5 pm on **Friday, October 15**, to help with set up.

Please email volunteers@riveroakspto.org if you can help. Thanks!

--Madhuri Chilakapati and Amie Canfield

FUN RUN WATER DONATIONS

WEDNESDAY is the LAST DAY to DONATE WATER for the FUN RUN and LAST CHANCE TO WIN A PIZZA PARTY!

We are asking for 4oz and/or 8oz water bottles to be donated for the Fun Run. Please drop-off the cases of water bottles in the cafeteria and place them on the stage. Mark each case with the name of your child's teacher. Each water bottle will count as a point. The top two classes with the most donated will win a pizza party! Water can still be brought after the deadline but it will not be counted for the party.

We also need to borrow 12 ice chest coolers to place the water bottles in. If you like to lend your ice chest cooler, please drop it off in the cafeteria and place it on the stage with the water bottles, or bring it on Saturday to the cafeteria at 7:30 a.m. Remember to write your name on the ice chest cooler so it can be returned back to you after the FUN RUN.

Any questions? Contact Christine Rodriguez at christinemr@hotmail.com or [713-557-2064](tel:713-557-2064) cell.

FALL FRENZY – NOVEMBER 5

Tickets go on sale today and invitations are being sent home through their classrooms!! Please visit the ROE store site to purchase tickets and for underwriting opportunities.

There will be fabulous food and wonderful music by two bands (one by our own ROE graduate –Clayton Price and his band, and Paige Parker’s band), amazing great gathering events and wonderful items for the live and silent auction.

Big Special thank you to our amazing parent and graphic designer – Nguyet Vo. Special thanks to our dynamic team-- donations: Beth Rivera, Max Shilstone, Kristen Heyburn, Minsook Kim, Christine Rodriguez, and Madhuri Chilakapati, decorations team led by Nicole Caver, Ticket/Check-in led by Madhuri Chilakapati and Liz Palmer, and Great Gatherings-Sally Lechin and Robert Woelfel along with the grade Reps and room parents.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Fall Frenzy please contact us at development@riveroakpto.org. Help will be needed on the day of the event!

Thank you and we look forward to another great Fall Frenzy event!

--Margaret Young and Colleen Kearns

FALL FRENZY REV UP

Please join us this Wednesday, October 12th after drop-off 7:50 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. in the Teacher's Lounge. All volunteers welcome!!!

If you are not able to attend this meeting, please feel free to contact us at development@riveroakspto.org.

We look forward to another wonderful Fall Frenzy event on November 5th.

--Margaret Young and Colleen Kearns

YEARBOOK UPDATE

Submit Photos to the 2011-2012 Yearbook

The yearbook committee is now laying out all classroom pages as well as pages containing fall activities. Next time you are in the classroom, please take a photo of your child's teacher. We also need and welcome any shots of students at work in classrooms. Please submit photos to the yearbook online:

images.jostens.com

login id: 400113581

password: riveroaks

Yearbooks are still available for purchase online:

www.jostens.com or www.roepto.org/yearbook **Spirit Ads**

are \$10 for every 25 words. Drop off a check made out to "ROE PTO" in the yearbook locker with your ad written out and your child's name. **Business ads** are also available.

Questions? please email: yearbook@riveroakspto.org

HAMILTON MIDDLE SCHOOL INVITES YOU

Angela Isart, aisart@houstonisd.org, Vanguard Magnet Coordinator for Hamilton Middle School, located at 139 E. 20th Street, Houston, TX 77008, in the historical Houston Heights Community, is pleased to report that over the past three years Hamilton's Vanguard Program has grown from 75 students in the entire program to over 400. Hamilton

students are well prepared for their high school experience and are sought after and accepted into the HISD Magnet High School of their choice. The students are extremely successful; many graduate at the top of their class and move on to attend major colleges and universities both here in the United States and abroad. Hamilton welcomes the chance to show families the numerous opportunities they can offer students.

Hamilton offers tours every **Tuesday and Thursday** at 2:30 p.m. except during Standardized Testing. Other upcoming events you may wish to attend include:

Monday-Friday, November 7-11, beginning at 1:00 p.m. is Magnet Awareness Week. Tours are offered all that week, but again, HISD encourages that only parents attend due to student attendance.

Thursday, December 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. we are featuring our Fine Arts Programs at our Winter Wonderland Event. This will include a tour of the campus.

Wednesday, April 4, from 6 to 8 p.m. we are featuring our G/T Texas Performance Standards Projects Expo in our cafeteria. Come and see the wondrous things our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Vanguard students are doing with research, presentations, and solving world problems.

WELCOME MONICO NUNCIO TO THE ASP

ROE would like to welcome our new After School Coordinator Monica Nuncio. Ms. Nuncio is replacing Ms. DeAnda and joins ROE with great experience, as a former coordinator at Travis Elementary and has served as an hourly lecturer at ROE for two years. Ms. Gutierrez and Ms. Nuncio are diligently working on safety procedures, as will be training staff on practice fire drills sometime during the week of October 10, 2011. At the moment, ASP is fully staffed and we are all ready to assist you. If you have questions or concerns about billing or registration, please contact Sylvia DeLeon via email at CIASP@sbcglobal.net or via phone at 713-529-3507. If you have any general ASP questions, please contact Ms. Monica Nuncio via email at roecoordinator@sbcglobal.net. Should any concerns arise, please contact Ms. Gutierrez at mgutie16@houstonisd.org. Thank you for your continuous support.

3RD GRADE PLAY DATE

Please join us for fun and games. Families welcome.

When: Saturday, October 29

Time: 10:00am-Noon

Where: ROE Playground

Watch the green folder for a flyer.

Colleen Morris and Laura Fertak, 3rd Grade Reps

Third-grade@riveroakspto.org