



Bulldog Bark

Roberts Road
Elementary

October 2016

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RRE Education Go Get it Week

October 3-7 2016 has been deemed Education Go Get it Week in the state of Texas. The intent of this week is to focus on the importance of postsecondary options for students. Here at Roberts Road Elementary, we are excited to celebrate this week with students as they consider the great possibilities for their future.



- Monday- October 3, 2016**
Attire: Workout Inspired
We are WORKING hard and getting good grades!
- Tuesday- October 4, 2016**
Attire: College Shirts and Caps
We are excited about college!
- Wednesday- October 5, 2016**
Attire: Sunglasses
We are preparing for a BRIGHT future!
- Thursday- October 6, 2016**
Attire: Dress up as your future job!
We are excited about our careers!
- Friday- October 7, 2016**
Attire: Waller Spirit!!
Supporting Waller's Future Graduates

School Hours:

8:30-3:50

AM Drop Off Help Needed:

When dropping students off in the morning, please pull up as far as possible to allow for the maximum amount of cars to drop off students. For those families choosing to not wait in the car rider line, please park and have an adult walk the students into the building.

PM Pick-Up Help Needed:

Parents who are picking students up as a pick-up should park and come to the appropriate front side door with the assigned number for your child. We ask that parents refrain from having your child run across the parking lot as they come out of the walker/ biker line. It is very dangerous to have students running through the parking lot to waiting cars.

Communication

Your child's teacher will communicate with you through weekly/ daily folders, emails, notes, phone calls, and Remind and/or Bloomz text messaging.

Staff members will respond to communication sent from a parent through email, notes, and phone calls within 24 hours. Please remember that your child's teachers are teaching during the day and may not be able to respond immediately.

The school delivers important information through our monthly newsletter, The Bulldog Bark. Please be sure to read this each month so that you do not miss out on any important events. This newsletter will be offered electronically through email. If you would like a paper copy, please inform your child's teacher.

We are very excited about using Remind and Bloomz at RRE this year. Remind and Bloomz are a free and safe service that allows teachers to send out a text or email to parents or guardians. Classroom teachers will be contacting you with more information.

Roberts Road Info on the Web

The Bulldog Bark will be emailed out each month. This information can also be found on our district/campus webpage.

RRE is on Twitter

Follow us on Twitter @RRE_Bulldogs. This is a great way to hear about newsworthy items on campus AND celebrate all of the great things going on here at Roberts Road Elementary!

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Roberts Road Fall Book Fair

It is Book Fair time! The RRE Book Fair will be open from October 24-28. Information will be coming closer to opening day. Family reading night will be on Thursday, October 27 from 5-7. Mark your calendars!



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Red Ribbon Week:

- **Monday-** October 24, 2016
Attire: Camouflage
Join the Fight Against Drugs!
- **Tuesday-** October 25, 2016
Attire: Team Attire
Team up Against Drugs!
- **Wednesday-** October 26, 2016
Attire: Red, White, and Blue
Voting for my Future to be Drug Free!
- **Thursday-** October 27, 2016
Attire: Crazy Hair and Socks
From Head to Toe I am Drug Free!
- **Friday-** October 28, 2016
Attire: Wear Pajamas!
Your Choices are the Key to Your Dreams



Roberts Road PTO News!

VOLUNTEER WITH US!

We need you! Volunteers welcome and needed! RRE PTO Meetings will be held the second Tuesday of every month @ 7:30 AM. Email address RobertsRoadPTO@gmail.com

- October 11, 2016
- November 8, 2016
- December 13, 2016
- January 10, 2017
- February 7, 2017
- March 7, 2017 (first Tuesday of the month)
- April 11, 2017
- May 9, 2017

Big PTO Projects for 2016-2017

- Adventure Dash
- Playground Shade
- Bulldog Store
- Spirit Sticks
- Field Day
- Staff Appreciation
- Grant Funded Arts Programs
- Homeroom Helpers
- Book Fair Volunteers
- Holiday Shoppe
- Family Game Night
- Yearbook

Adventure Dash was a Success!

Exciting news for PTO! The Adventure Dash proved to be a great day for all! Students had blast, achieved fitness goals, AND raised \$15,944 to go toward playground improvements, performances, and Spirit Sticks!

ALL students participated in the Fun Run during school on September 23rd! Our students ran through a giant obstacle course during the event. Popsicles celebrated a successful run for all students!

A huge thank you goes to the PTO, family support at the event, those who donated financially, and t-shirt sponsors. It was a great day!

A NOTE FROM THE LIBRARY

By RRE Librarian Kelli Schmidt



RRE Welcomed Author Alex London on September 29th

Third through fifth grade students at RRE had the opportunity to meet author Kevin London on September 29th. He shared with them the writing and publishing process. He also shared with them pieces and parts of his book *The Wild Ones*. Copies of the book are still on sale for \$9.70 and can be purchased at the school.



Accelerated Reader

Accelerated Reader started last month at Roberts Road. Students are encouraged to read and take a computer test on level appropriate books. After testing, students will earn points based on number of correct responses. Students will collect points throughout the year working toward a specific goal based on their grade level.

READING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Accelerated Reader Goals:

- 2nd Grade: 20 Points
- 3rd Grade: 30 Points
- 4th Grade: 40 Points
- 5th Grade: 50 Points

Students who meet their grade level goal will be invited to attend an end of year celebration complete with ice cream sundaes! It is sure to be a great event!!

READING TIPS FOR HOME

Looking for ways to work with your student at home? The BEST way to help at home is read with your child. Here are some strategies to help you when working at home:

- Create reading rituals and read every day.
- Share different kinds of books.
- Talk about the pictures and ask questions.
- Read with expression. Make silly voices and make the pages come alive!
- Read favorite books again and again!

Library Year at a Glance:

- August 22: Library Opens
- September 12: AR Grades 2-5 Starts
- October 24-28: Fall Scholastic Book Fair
- October 27: Family Reading Night
- November 1: Diary of a Wimpy Kid Writing Contest Field Trip
- April 7: Name that Book Contest
- May 15-19: Spring Scholastic Book Fair
- May: AR Grades 2-5 Celebration
- May 12: All Library Books Returned

Other RRE Items

Cell Phone Usage in a School Zone

Please help us keep everybody safe at school by keeping your cell phones off while driving your car in the RRE school zone: The Texas Transportation Code states that drivers may not use a cell phone while operating a vehicle within the school zone. Fines for not following the code can be up to \$200. Thanks for helping to keep our students safe.

Pets on School Grounds

We would like to remind you that animals are not allowed on school grounds. Even the most docile of animals can frighten a child or create confusion at that time.

Dress Code at RRE

All WISD students fall under the WISD Code of Conduct and dress code. Please review the dress code and work to adhere to it with your student. Also, we ask that all adult visitors to campus help reinforce the code by following it as well. As always- thanks for your support.

Clinic Procedures:

A parent must bring medicine to school. Please do not send it with your child. Medication must be in the original container properly labeled, with the child's name and directions for the time and dosage. A written request to administer drugs must be on file. No medication can be sent home with students.

Inclement Weather Plan:

Student safety is important to the staff at Roberts Road Elementary. Ensuring that students arrive home safely on days where there is lightning or major storms in the area is no exception. On days that storms are predicted for the area, the front office staff will monitor the weather situation. If inclement weather is detected, the following plan will be put into place.

- Walkers and bike riders will be HELD until the weather situation has cleared to a safer level. Once the situation has been deemed safe, students may be released.
- Bus riders will be released.
- Pick-ups to the side door will be released.
- We will attempt to run the car rider line as normal at the appropriate time. Please note, it may not be possible to place a staff member at the end of the drive to call in car numbers. It is important that cars have their yellow tag up and visible especially on these days. This ensures that staff can see car numbers in stormy weather.

Please be patient with us as we run the car rider line on these days. It might take longer than normal to get students loaded in cars. Let the front office know if you need another yellow tag for your car or if you need a second tag for another vehicle.

Dates to Remember:

October

- 3-7: Education Go Get It Week
- 10: School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- 11: PTO Meeting @ 7:30 a.m.
- 12: Picture Day
- 20: McTeacher Night 5 - 8 p.m.
- 20: PK Make and Take
- 24-28: Red Ribbon Week YOLO Be Drug Free
- 24-28: Fall Book Fair
- 27: Family reading Night at the Book Fair
- 28: 5th Grade Track Meet

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