

Reaves Elementary - April 2017



Principal

Spring has finally arrived!! We can look around and spot flowers starting to pop up, children playing outside, baseball and softball in full swing and the end of another school year quickly approaching. What a year it has been and still so much to do before it ends in June!

The Reading and Math STAAR tests are around the corner. Third and fourth grade students will be taking the STAAR test in math on Monday, May 8th and in reading on Tuesday, May 9th. Our staff and students continue to work hard to prepare for these important tests. On test days, please make sure your child is in school every day, eating breakfast (at home or at school) and getting enough sleep. Remind your child to take their time and encourage them to do their best on the tests. I know our Reaves Bees will make us proud!!

A student will be promoted to the next

Assistant Principal



DATES TO REMEMBER

April and May are busy months and I wanted to make sure that if you have a third or fourth grade student that you have these important dates on your calendar. On May 8th and 9th our third and fourth grade students will be taking their math and reading STAAR tests. We ask your cooperation in making sure that your students are at school and on time these days, and that you do not schedule any medical

Counselor

Counselor's Couch

Wow! There are only 9 weeks of school left. Time flies when you're having fun. In March we focused on the character trait of HONESTY. We discussed how being honest is a life-long skill needed in many different settings (i.e. home, school and work).

In April, we will be focusing on RESPONSIBILITY. We will discuss how being responsible helps you become a good leader, makes you think about choices, encourages making good decisions about ways to act and things to do, and making



Nurse

Head lice continue to be an ongoing nuisance. Our goal at the school district is to support families in their efforts to control and eliminate head lice while maintaining student's privacy. If your student has head lice, please contact the clinic.

What are head lice?

Head lice are parasitic insects that can be found on the head of people. Head lice feed on human blood several times a day, and live near the scalp. Head lice lay eggs, called nits, on the hair shaft, very close to the scalp. Nits further than ¼ inch from the scalp are likely dead/hatched. Lice do not spread disease.

What are the symptoms of head lice?

- Tickling, feeling something moving in your hair, itching, difficulty sleeping (lice are most active in the dark), sores on the head caused by scratching

How do you get rid of head lice?

- Examine everyone in the home for lice and nits. Look carefully through the hair and at the scalp, behind the ears, and the back of the neck. Nits are easier to see than live lice.

- Treat only the household members who have lice. Use products available over-the-counter (according to package directions) or by prescription (according to physician directions).

- Comb the hair after treatment, using a special lice/nit comb. Separate the hair into sections and try to comb every nit and louse you can. Live nits that are not combed out will hatch within 7-10 days. **Combing is the most time-consuming step, but also the most important.**

- Clean around the house. Lice do not live long without a host to feed on. However, to pick up any stray hairs that may have a live nit attached, wash and dry clothes, sheets, pillowcases, and towels using hot water and high heat. Vacuum the floor and furniture to pick up loose hairs. Combs and brushes can be soaked in hot water for 5-10 minutes.

- Follow the lice treatment product directions for when to retreat. It is usually recommended to retreat 7-10 days after the initial treatment. Continue to check heads daily until 1 week after second treatment or 1 week after last louse or nit is removed.

How are head lice spread?

Head lice are spread by direct contact with the hair of an infested person. The highest risk involves head-to-head contact. Lice crawl

Important Dates

- 4/2 Paraprofessional Appreciation Day
- 4/3 Math benchmark #2 (3rd – 4th)
- 4/3 PTO Meeting 4:30 – 5:30
- 4/4 Back in time Popcorn Fundraiser Begins (PTO)
- 4/4 National Librarian Day
- 4/6 Weird Science Night
- 4/10 Poem Buddies-Poem in Your Pocket – All Week
- 4/10 On Demand Writing (2nd) – All week
- 4/11 Raising Cane's Fundraiser Night (PTO)

Parents...

Students leaving school early must be checked out by the front office before 2:30. After 2:30, transportation changes cannot be made. Students will not be called from class after this time.

Also, if you wish to volunteer in your child's classroom it is required that you go online to www.conroeisd.net and follow the steps listed below.

1. Go to the CISD Home Page.
2. Go to the Parent/Student tab



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