

The Eubanks Echo

Eubanks Intermediate School
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President

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Important Dates:

October 3rd – 5th

Moore/Sparks/Kreis to Camp Carter

October 7th

CEF Culinary Arts Celebration

October 8th

No School

October 16th

Author Visit

October 17th – 19th

Wong/Dearing/Gavin to Camp Carter

October 22nd – 26th

Red Ribbon Week

October 24th – 26th

Anderson, Fann, Phelps to Camp Carter

October 23rd – 30th

Band Fundraiser

October 26th

Tailgate Party

November 1st

Cookie Dough Pick up 1-7 pm

November 1st

PTO Meeting – 12 noon

Eubanks Echo

If you would like to contribute to the Eubanks Echo, please contact Martha Heineman at

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A Word from Mr. Terry

Thank you for a wonderful start to the 2007-2008 school year! Our fifth grade students are adjusting well to lockers, more homework, and different expectations than they found in elementary school. Our sixth graders are doing an excellent job of modeling what we count on from a Eubanks student.

We had a great turnout for our curriculum night. I appreciate your care for your student's success. We know that you expect your student to give their best efforts each and every day. Our success starts with you and your family.

As I write this column, the first groups of sixth graders are at Camp Carter experiencing outdoor education and leadership opportunities. We are running a little low on chaperones, especially Dads. In order for us to continue this program we need the participation and support of you, our parents. If you can possibly help our teachers and your student by giving a couple of nights to chaperone, call Vicki Harvey at the school number 817-949-5200. My own kids occasionally mention Camp Carter and how they didn't want me to go at the time, but now that they are 25 years-old, 21 years-old, and 18 years-old, they actually value those times...and laugh at the pictures! Go and you'll make some great memories.

The Carroll Education Foundation (CEF) Culinary Arts Celebration is rapidly approaching and I encourage you to purchase your tickets in the Eubanks office. Eubanks receives \$10.00 for each ticket purchased at our school. In addition, many of our teachers have been quite successful in receiving grants from the CEF. The event will be October 7 at the Hyatt Regency DFW. Based on previous years it is great fun and a wonderful way to support innovative teacher grants.

Finally, a few reminders:

- ✓ PTO school directories should not be used for the purpose of soliciting business or participation in non-school or non-PTO sponsored activities. Please honor the true purpose of the directory.
- ✓ Pay attention when you are pulling through our drive. We have noted an increase in the use of cell phones as you drop off and/or pick up your students. This is especially evident in the morning.

Schools of FISH! is going 'swimmingly' well. This was a CEF grant and is a PTO-funded program. Ask your kids about it! The FISH! Principles are: Be There, Choose Your Attitude, Make Their Day, and Play.

Thanks for allowing us to work with your students,

Mark Terry, Principal

President's Corner

Dear Parents,

The EIS PTO is in full swing! Our September meeting saw approval of our disbursements for the very successful Extended Day Program and a lunchroom monitor, as well as approval of the 2007-2008 PTO budget.

We are happy to report that our annual Cookie Dough kicked off with great enthusiasm! Our committee is busy tallying the numbers and will report the grand total very soon. Special thanks go out to Joanne Bush, Jane Carron, Becky Hibbard, and Wanda Pahanish for organizing and chairing this effort! Of course, thanks to all our students and parents for your time and donations.

It has been a very busy first six weeks and much has already been accomplished. Thank you to our Hospitality Committee, Echo Klatt, Annie Van Zandt, and Leigh Davis, for both the teacher welcome breakfast and luncheons, and the first six week luncheon this past week. Our teachers really appreciate these luncheons throughout the entire school year, and it is never too late to offer your help to the committee with food and/or monetary donations. Feel free to contact the committee directly if you would like to assist.

Our Volunteer Coordinators, Louise McKenzie and Soheila Phelps did a fabulous job gathering the many volunteers and informing the various committees. We are so fortunate that so many of you stepped up to help the many PTO committees, thank you sincerely. Lynnette Burns is busy finalizing the EIS Directory and we should see distribution of these by mid-October. Thanks Lynnette Burns, Jennifer Winter, and Wendy O'Reilly!

Joan Gonzalez and Jacqueline Westerburg did a lovely job organizing the New Family Welcome Coffee. It was very well attended and it was wonderful to speak with so many new faces. We hope that we were able to make everyone feel at home at Eubanks. Lastly, our Special Events committee, Patti Johnson, Sherri Learmonth, and Renee Allison deserve special kudos for the very fun Ice Cream Social this past September 25th.

Our PTO meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at noon. Our next meeting will be November 1st, 2007. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend and remember that younger siblings are always welcome. I hope to see you there.

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Don't Forget: Cookie Dough PICKUP!

***Monday, November 1st between 1 pm and 7 pm.
Remember, cookie dough is frozen and must be
Picked up right away!!!***

Thanks for your support!



Library News

Eubanks' Book Fair received tremendous support! Thank you to the many volunteers whom so generously shared their time with the library to ensure the smooth operation of the fair. Special thanks to Juliana Shiminski, the library volunteer coordinator, for all her scheduling assistance. On behalf of the teachers, I'd also like to thank all the parents for their wish box purchases. We certainly had many good fairies! Thank you to the PTO for hosting the Ice Cream Social that encouraged our family shoppers. The book fair enables us to purchase additional books for our classrooms and our library collection.

Thank you to these wonderful Book Fair volunteers!

Artemis Meletis	Bonnie Lashus
Kathy Derevyanik	Lynne Hyatt
Anette Snook	Roseanne Swacker
Bonnie Lashus	Elaine Cressionnie
Keri Standifer	Kari Litwak
Lisa Walsh	Sue Booth
Brenda Flores	Kim Deras
Jenny Waddell	Monika Scherer

Lucy Drenka – EIS Librarian



Author Visit

Eubanks Intermediate School will host an author visit by Roland Smith for the sixth grade students on October 16th.

Roland Smith is a former wolf biologist and canine expert who has spent more than twenty years studying wildlife throughout the world. He is the author of many outstanding books for children including Peak, Jaguar, Zach's Lie, Cryptid Hunters and Thunder Cave. Mr. Smith's books have received many awards and appear on many states recommended reading lists. He and his wife, Marie, live on a small farm near Portland, Oregon. To discover more information about this exciting author, visit his website at www.rolandsmith.com

"Start Spreading the News..."

New York City/Washington DC – Summer 2008

Mrs. Gillum will be hosting a trip to New York and Washington, D.C. June 16-20 for Eubanks students. Don't fret if you missed the first World Strides, DC/NY meeting with Mrs. Gillum. She will hold another meeting on Thursday Oct. 11 at 6 pm in the library. You can contact Mrs. Gillum with any questions at gillumc@cisdmail.com.

EIS Tailgating Party – Friday, October 26



Please join your EIS friends at a **Tailgating Party at Dragon Stadium on Friday, October 26**. (Exact times & tailgating location to be communicated mid-October). This is an opportunity for the students to wear their Dragon gear and bring their families to a pre-game event with food & fun. The Tailgating Party will precede the Dragons v. Keller game which begins at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Patti Johnson (PJohnson@Stccg.com), Sherri Learmonth (sherri_learmonth@kw.com) or Rene Allison (allison3004@sbcglobal.net). Mark your calendars and look for more information coming soon!

ANGELS ARE COMING!



Christmas for Children is just around the corner.

EIS should have their angels by November 1st.

*For those of you who are new to the CISD, CIFIC is a non-profit non-denominational organization dedicated to providing all children the love, care and joy that comprise the spirit of Christmas. CISD families have the opportunity to adopt a child for Christmas by purchasing him or her 3 items. **One educational, one need and one want.** The EIS CIFIC committee will be speaking at the PTO meeting October 4th @ 12pm. Please join us to learn more about this worth while cause. Please check your Wednesday folder for more information later in the month*