

Terrebonne Community School

TERREBONNE TRIBUNE



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At Terrebonne Community School we provide a positive environment and challenging learning opportunities that improve student achievement and produce life-long learners.

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Message From the Principal

Tips for Parents on how to Promote Reading at Home!

As many of you know, we have been cultivating a strong community of readers at Terrebonne Community School. The students and staff work hard developing fundamental reading skills to improve fluency, word recognition, and comprehension so that students may be successful in all content areas. We also are thankful for all the support we get from our community partners to help promote a culture of readers - from our Smart Reader volunteers, to parent and community volunteers, to community organizations like Rotary who sponsor our Rotary Reader of the Month celebration with CL Printing. Often we get asked by parents what they can do to help promote reading at home. I love when I hear this question because when schools, communities, and parents work together as a team, our children are given the very best opportunity to be the best they can be. As you know I love to quote the great coach Phil Jackson, "The strength of the team is each individual member...the strength of each member is the team." It is my belief that together school and community can provide an environment and learning experience where children can become thinking, thriving, productive citizens ready and prepared to chase the American Dream!

The organization Reading is Fundamental provides 20 tips for parents to encourage reading at home. I hope that a few of these tips may be helpful to you. For me, as a dad, tip number 18 (letting my daughter stay up an extra half hour as long as she read) really helped her become a fluent, voracious reader!

20 Tips to Encourage Reading at Home

1. Scout for things your children might like to read. Use their interests and hobbies as starting points.
2. Leave all sorts of reading materials including books, magazines, and colorful catalogs in conspicuous places around your home.
3. Notice what attracts your children's attention, even if they only look at the pictures. Then build on that interest; read a short selection aloud, or simply bring home more information on the same subject.

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Special Dates To Remember

- ◆ **April 2—Early Release**
- ◆ **April 6-13—Volunteer Appreciation Week**
- ◆ **April 8—Spring Picture Day**
- ◆ **April 8—PTO Meeting**
- ◆ **April 9—School Board Work Session**
- ◆ **April 9—Early Release**
- ◆ **April 11—Fun Run Kickoff**
- ◆ **April 14—18—Spirit Week**
- ◆ **April 16—Early Release**
- ◆ **April 20—Easter Sunday**
- ◆ **April 21—4th Grade Science Fair**
- ◆ **April 22—KG Roundup**
- ◆ **April 22—PTO Meeting**
- ◆ **April 23—Early Release**
- ◆ **April 25—Fun Run**
- ◆ **April 30—School Board Meeting**
- ◆ **April 30—Early Release**

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4. Let your children see you reading for pleasure in your spare time.
5. Take your children to the library regularly. Explore the children's section together. Ask a librarian to suggest books and magazines your children might enjoy.
6. Present reading as an activity with a purpose; a way to gather useful information for, say, making paper airplanes, identifying a doll or stamp in your child's collection, or planning a family trip.
7. Encourage older children to read to their younger brothers and sisters. Older children enjoy showing off their skills to an admiring audience.
8. Play games that are reading-related. Check your closet for spelling games played with letter tiles or dice, or board games that require players to read spaces, cards, and directions.
9. Perhaps over dinner, while you're running errands, or in another informal setting, share your reactions to things you read, and encourage your children to do likewise.
10. Set aside a regular time for reading in your family, independent of schoolwork, the 20 minutes before lights out, just after dinner, or whatever fits into your household schedule. As little as 10 minutes of free reading a day can help improve your child's skills and habits.
11. Read aloud to your child, especially a child who is discouraged by his or her own poor reading skills. The pleasure of listening to you read, rather than struggling alone, may restore your child's initial enthusiasm for books and reading.
12. Encourage your child to read aloud to you an exciting passage in a book, an interesting tidbit in the newspaper, or a joke in a joke book. When children read aloud, don't feel they have to get every word right. Even good readers skip or mispronounce words now and then.
13. On gift-giving occasions, give books and magazines based on your child's current interests.
14. Set aside a special place for children to keep their own books.
15. Introduce the bookmark. Remind your youngster that you don't have to finish a book in one sitting; you can stop after a few pages, or a chapter, and pick up where you left off at another time. Don't try to persuade your child to finish a book he or she doesn't like. Recommend putting the book aside and trying another.
16. Treat your children to an evening of laughter and entertainment featuring books! Many children (parents, too) regard reading as a serious activity. A joke book, a story told in riddles, or a funny passage read aloud can reveal another side of reading.
17. Extend your child's positive reading experiences. For example, if your youngster enjoyed a book about dinosaurs, follow up with a visit to a natural history museum.
18. Offer other special incentives to encourage your child's reading. Allow your youngster to stay up an extra 15 minutes to finish a chapter; promise to take your child to see a movie after he or she has finished the book on which it was based; relieve your child of a regular chore to free up time for reading.
19. Limit your children's TV viewing in an effort to make time for other activities, such as reading. But never use TV as a reward for reading, or a punishment for not reading.
20. Not all reading takes place between the covers of a book. What about menus, road signs, food labels, and sheet music? Take advantage of countless spur-of-the-moment opportunities for reading during the course of your family's busy day.

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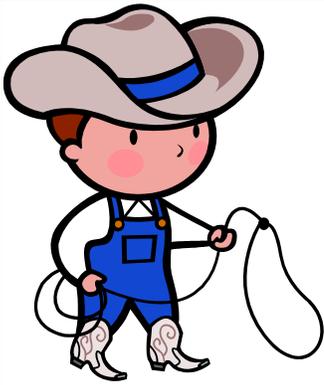
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Cougar Den News

March 31st will be the first day of the new After School Program classes. It's not too late to sign up, so if you are interested, please contact Mrs. Kirkman (formerly Ms. Hall) in the Cougar Den (Community Learning Center).

You can access our school website: www.terrebonne.redmond.k12.or.us

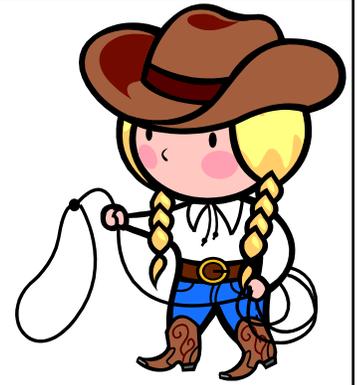


KG ROUNDUP

2014-15 School Year

DATE: TUESDAY, APRIL 22ND

10:00AM-6:00PM



Terrebonne Community School will be holding it's official Kindergarten Roundup on Tuesday, April 22nd, from 10:00am to 6:00pm. You may come and enroll your 5-year-old for our 2014-15 Fall kindergarten classes. Please bring with you your child's Birth Certificate, Immunization Records, and your Proof of Residence. Children must be 5 years old by September 1, 2014.

On this day, we will have representatives from our Terrebonne Boys & Girls Club who can give you information on their Jr. Club program. Our F.A.N. (Family Access Network) Coordinator will be available to offer any resource information you may need, and our School Nurse will be available to discuss any questions regarding immunizations for school. An Interpreter will also be available, if needed.

If you can not make it on this date, you can stop by the school office on any day after that date and pick up an enrollment packet for your child.



Spring Picture Day

Tuesday, April 8th

Terrebonne's Spring Picture Day will be on Tuesday, April 8th. There has been a change in our Spring Picture procedures this year. . . You must prepay for your child's pictures before they will be taken (just like our Fall Picture Day). We will soon be sending home the picture order forms .



Fun Run

It's time again for Terrebonne's annual FUN RUN event. This is the school's major fundraiser of the year and it will take place on Friday, April 25th. The students will be running laps around our playground area in order to raise money for the school. They will be asking friends and family members to sign up for pledges before the Fun Run. Our families are always welcome to come and watch their students run and cheer them on. Volunteers are also needed for this event, so if you are interested in helping out, please contact your child's teacher.

GO COUGARS !!!!!

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February Readers of the Month Club



Mrs. Jones (AM KG) = Brayden Cox

Mrs. Caudell (AM KG) = Matthew Hayworth

Mrs. Messner (1st) = Kylan Olney

Mrs. Wellette (1st) = Zayden Kuite

Mrs. Maroni (2nd) = Dakota Adkins

Mrs. Tobish (2nd) = Hadley Albers

Mrs. Caramella (3rd) = Michael Bennett

Mrs. Dunn (3rd) = Roman O'Neill

Mrs. Doggett (4th) = Kaydence Estimo

Mrs. Davis (4th) = Finn Anspach

Ms. Albers (5th) = Gavin Tobish

Mr. Boucher (5th) = Madison Davis

Ms. Messina (6th) = Jorge Fuentes

Armijo

Mr. Capps (7th) = Joe Mundy

Mr. Brown (8th) = Allison Forester



February Math Stars



Mrs. Messner (1st) - Austin Mackey

Mrs. Wellette (1st) - Gavvin McLaren

Mrs. Maroni (2nd) - Isaac VanAlstine

Mrs. Tobish (2nd) - Lillian Post

Mrs. Caramella (3rd) - Wyatt Hammack

Mrs. Dunn (3rd) - Gabriella Mallorie

Mrs. Doggett (4th) - Douglas Hart

Mrs. Davis (4th) - Clayton Palmer

Ms. Albers (5th) - Madalyn VanValkenberg

Mr. Boucher (5th) Peyton Crenshaw

Ms. Messina (6th) -Mackenzie Williams

Mr. Capps (7th) - Abigail Williamson

Mr. Brown (8th) - Kyle Cox

Spirit Week Is Coming

Terrebonne Community School is having its annual spirit week **April 14-18**. This is a time for students to have fun, show a different side of themselves, step out of their comfort zone, and bring some extra energy to our week.

Monday April 14: Sports and Fitness Day

Do you play sports? Do you have a favorite team? Sports and Fitness Day is an opportunity to wear your own athletic uniform or a jersey from your favorite team. There will be some fitness surprises so make sure you dress like an athlete!

Tuesday April 15: Wacky/Train Wreck Day

Have you ever wanted to be creative and crazy? This is the day to get your WACKY on! Wear clothes backwards, socks in your hair, mismatched clothes, crazy hairdo, just have fun and be unique. Don't be afraid to be different.

Wednesday April 16: Hero Day

Who is that one person that inspires you? Hero day is about dressing up as your hero or role model. Show us who you look up to and admire. Make sure it is school appropriate, but be sure to dress as spirited as you can.

Thursday April 17: Earth Day

Get in touch with Mother Nature. Wear camouflage, earth tones, nature themed clothing, or even flowers in your hair. We will have an exciting "headwear" fundraiser to buy trees for our school and create a lasting memory we can all be proud of.

Friday April 18: Twin Day

Twin Day is all about working together. Communicating with multiple people to dress the same requires a lot of cooperation. Don't limit yourself to being twins with just one person. You can get a large group or even an entire class to cooperate and dress alike. There will be opportunities throughout the day to prove how well you can cooperate.

Paws To Read

Readers from age 5 to 17 can now have fun reading aloud to a therapy dog at the Redmond Deschutes Public Library. Online registration is required at <http://www.deschuteslibrary.org>, click on EVENTS or call 541-312-1054. **Paws to Read** is held on Thursdays, April 3rd—May 22nd and you may sign up for a 15 minute session.



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