

September 28, 2011

Park Terrace Elementary Weekly News Update

Greetings from Kim Fehringer

The Park Terrace Open House last Thursday was so much fun! Thanks to all of you for finding the time in your busy schedules to attend the event and thank you Park Terrace PTA for sponsoring. Park Terrace staff and I had great conversations with many of you. It was fun to meet new families also. We hope to see you all again next month for parent-teacher conferences.

Your child will be bringing home his/her scheduled conference time for our upcoming parent-teacher conferences on October 17, 18 and 19. This is one of the most important relationship-building events in the school year, offering the great benefits of face-to-face communication. Conferences give parents or caregivers and teachers the chance to talk over the student's achievements, interests, study habits, attitudes toward different subjects, potential for improvement, and other topics. Conferences are the main occasion for exchanging specific information and perspectives about an individual student's learning, achievement, and plan of action to reach their full potential. It's a time when home and school get to know each other better.

All of us, here at Park Terrace, are looking forward to your visit.

UPDATES ON THE NOVEMBER 8 LEVY FOR LEARNING & CAPITAL PROJECTS/TECHNOLOGY LEVY QUESTIONS

The school district is holding a number of informational meetings to give an overview of the two ballot questions.

Convenient meetings for our school community:

October, 6, 6:30 pm at Park Terrace Elementary (Parent Meeting)

October, 27, 6:30 pm at Westwood Middle School (Community Meeting)

For more information, visit SpringLakeParkSchools.org/Levy

Important Phone Numbers

Main
763-784-8983

Attendance/Health
763-783-5804

Transportation
763-785-5512

Lorenz Bus
763-201-8888

Voigt Bus
763-571-1241

Important Info.

- October 1. Panther Foundation Walk/Run at SLPHS
- Watch for a conference confirmation letter.
- 10/06 PTA meeting at 6:30 pm
- 10/13 Early Release at 1:55 pm
- 10/14 NO SCHOOL
- 10/17-10/19 Conferences
- 10/19-10/21 NO SCHOOL



FAMILY FUN EVENT

The Spring Lake Park Schools Panther Foundation is announcing the 1st Annual Family Fun 5K Walk/Run & Event to be held on Saturday, October 1 during Homecoming Weekend.

5K Walk/Run participants will start at 2:00 pm at Spring Lake Park High School's Panther Stadium, travel around the high school property, move down Able Street towards Osborne, travel Osborne to Terrace and then to 80th back to the high school. This course is fun for the experienced runner or the casual walker with a stroller or wagon.

In addition to the 5K Walk/Run, the Foundation is hosting a Family Fun Event to be held outdoors, weather permitting, at the high school's Panther Stadium. The Family Fun Event will run from 1:00 pm-5:00 pm. The event will feature huge inflatable bouncers, children's activities, and entertainment provided by D.J. Dean Downs, and Spring Lake Park High School student bands. The Spring Lake Park Lions Club will be selling food.

The Panther Foundation is partnering with the Spring Lake Park Schools to offer this affordable, family friendly, and fun event.



WORDS FROM THE MEIDA CENTER

The AUP (Acceptable Use Policy for the network and internet) and Media permission forms have gone home.

Every student's family is asked to sign these forms each year. The district AUP form may seem quite complicated for our younger children. I think if you ask your child, do you agree to treat all equipment carefully and do you agree to follow directions, that will cover what they need to know.

It is increasingly important for our children to learn to navigate the internet effectively. As we help students move from teacher-directed activities to developing their own search strategies, we emphasize safety. The district uses a filter to block inappropriate sites, and primary students NEVER use the Internet without adult supervision

If you have questions or concerns about our use of the Internet, please contact Kim Fehringer.

Thursday Morning Volunteers

We are still in need of parent volunteers on Thursday mornings. Please consider sharing your time. No sign up necessary, just stop in. It's a great way to help out at your school!

STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE DROPPED OFF AT SCHOOL EARLIER THAN 9:05 AM. THERE IS NO ADULT SUPERVISION PRIOR TO THIS TIME.

AFTERNOON KINDERGARTEN WALKS DOWN TO CLASS AT 1:10 PM

OUR SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 3:55 PM.