

New Waverly Elementary



to success!!

September News – September 4, 2018

Dear Parents,

Thank you for a great start to our new school year and welcome to all of you that are new to our school. If you have not had the opportunity to sign up for our "Remind Texts", please do so by sending @nweparents to 81010. This allows me to communicate with you if we have a school closing, picture day reminders, volunteer opportunities, and the list goes on and on. New Waverly Elementary School also has a Facebook page so please like our Facebook page to follow our school events.

A few administrative items to review with all parents so that our school year runs smooth:

- **Absences** – Attendance is mandatory so please send your child every day unless he/she is sick with a fever or some other illness that may spread to others. The common headache or allergies do not dictate the need to stay home. When your child is absent from class, it hinders his/her learning and makes returning difficult due to making up missed work. If your child does miss a day of school, you MUST send a note the day of his/her return to school stating why the child was absent. If you have medical documentation, please send that as well as that excuses the child from being out. By state law, students must be in school 90% of the school days on our school calendar. Excessive absences will result in Saturday make-up days or possible retention.
- **End of the school day** – Our school day ends at 3:20 p.m. If you collect your child prior to 3:20 p.m. it is considered an "early pick-up" which is equivalent to one tardy. Four (4) early pick-ups or a combination of 4 early pick-ups and tardies will require a parent conference and possible consequences for the students. Please note that this is in place because end of the day learning is just as important as early morning learning.
- **Car Rider Line** – Due to the traffic in town and the safety of keeping cars off of FM 1375, it is imperative that if you come to car rider line in the afternoon, please go down to the stadium and turn around to get in line. Please respect others and do not cut in front of them by avoiding the turn around. Please have your hang tag visible for the car line attendants and make sure that you slow down so that they can input your number into the system. This is how we call students to get in line outside.
- **Transportation Changes** – If your child's transportation changes, please send a note for the day of the change. Notes are only good for the 1 day. If a change is for several days, a note must be sent each day. If a child is riding a different bus, we MUST have the physical address of where the child is to be dropped off on the note for safety reasons.
- **Cafeteria** – SchoolCafe is an app that accesses your child's meal account here at school. With your child's lunch number you can add money via the app to your child's account.
- **Pink Slips** – If you receive a pink slip in your child's folder this is a behavior notice to the parent from the child's teacher. Pink slips are communication to you from the teacher signifying that there is a behavior in class that needs attention/correction. Please sign the pink slip and return it the next day in your child's folder. If you have questions or would like to meet with your child's teacher regarding the pink slip, please indicate that on the pink slip, email the teacher, or call the school to schedule a conference with the teacher.
- **BOX TOPS** –



Please save Box Tops and send to your child's teacher. We earn money by collecting these from food products that you already purchase. The classes compete to see who can collect the most and the winning class celebrates at the end of each collection period.



Our Fall Fundraiser kicked off last week and will continue for the next two weeks. Please assist your child in reaching his/her goal for the Kona Ice Experience (sell 5 items) and/or the Limo Ride to Pizza Shack in Willis for lunch (15 items or 20 items for family). The fundraiser deadline for paper orders – due to the front office Friday, September 14. Online orders are still accepted until Friday, September 21. You may order online using your student no. that is printed on the order form in the left-hand corner. These online orders are calculated in your total sales. This fundraiser will assist in student store items (students earn coins in class based on behavior, citizenship traits, etc.. and spend these in the store), guided readers (these are the small books that come home with your student each week to practice reading), assist with field trips, reading and math goal parties, enhance and replace technology needs on campus, and for other student and teacher needs throughout the year.

Calendar of Events:

Tuesday, September 11: Open House from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 13: Progress Reports go home. Please sign and return to school.

Friday, September 14: Fundraiser Due – Online orders continue through September 21.

Thursday, September 20: Fall School Pictures

Tuesday, September 25: Cub Scouts Meeting and Sign-Up – Parents and students invited. 6:00 p.m.
Elementary Cafeteria

Wednesday, September 26: First Six Weeks Ends

Thursday, October 4: Report Cards go home

Friday, October 5: First Six Weeks Pep Rally/Academic Recognition @ 2:00 p.m. (Parents invited)

Monday, October 8: Teacher Inservice – No School for students

Friday, October 12: Fundraiser Delivery 3:00-5:30 p.m. Cafeteria

Saturday, October 20: Fall Festival 3:00-7:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATES:

Friday, November 9 – Veteran’s Day Celebration – Time TBD

Friday, November 16 – Turkey Trot and Grandparent Breakfast or Luncheon – More details to follow

No School – Thanksgiving Week – Nov. 19-23

Saturday, December 8 – UIL Elementary Academic Competition – Volunteers Needed

At any time if you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me or call me. My email is twedgeworth@new-waverly.k12.tx.us and the school number is 936-344-2900. I will be more than happy to listen or walk through any concern that you may have. I want our experience with you, your child and my staff to be the best educational experience possible.

Tiffany Wedgeworth - Principal

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