

Sweet Home School



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TAKS Test March 3rd

The first administration of the grade 3, 5, & 8 Reading TAKS test is Tuesday, March 3rd. Students will have several stories followed by a series of questions that test reading comprehension skills.

In addition, the 4th and 7th graders will take the Writing TAKS test. This test covers writing and editing skills. In addition, students will be given a prompt and will write a composition.

The scores for the Reading tests will be in after

Spring Break. The scores for the Writing tests will be in towards the end of May.

As part of the Student Success Initiative, students in grades 3, 5, & 8 must pass the reading test in order to be promoted to the next grade. Students in grades 5 and 8 will also need to pass the math test in order to be promoted.



TIPS for TAKING the TEST:

1. Get a good night's sleep.
2. Eat a hearty and healthy breakfast.
3. Arrive to school on time.
4. Have two #2 sharpened pencils.
5. Relax and do your best. You are ready!

Field Trips

- Friday, March 6th—Pre-K to the Zoo in Victoria
- Wednesday, March 11th—4th & 7th Grade to the Bob Bullock Museum and the State Capitol in Austin
- Friday, March 27—2nd & 3rd Grade to Goliad

Permission Forms for Field Trips will be sent home in the March 5th Thursday folder.

Public Schools Week—March 23-27

Sweet Home School invites all parents to take part in one of the Public School Week Events during the week of March 9—12th.

Tuesday, March 10th—

Muffins with Mom from 7:30—8:00 a.m.

Thursday, March 12th—Donuts with Dad from 7:30—8:00 a.m.

Our Spring Scholastic Book Fair will be ongoing

throughout the week. Our parent night will be Tuesday, March 10th from 3:30—6:00 p.m.



Student Leaders Organize for Relay for Life

Sweet Home School will once again take part in the Yoakum area Relay for Life. Our student leaders are organizing a fund raising event that will allow every student an opportunity to support this project.

Each student will be able to buy paper chain links that will be assembled and displayed at the big event in April.

The cost per link is 25¢ each. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.



We will sell links from March 30–April 17th.

Cabbages for 3rd Graders

Each year Bonnie Plants distributes free cabbage plants to third graders around the country. Students are to take them home, plant them, grow the biggest head of cabbage that they can, and take a picture at the end of the season.

Bonnie Farms donates a \$1,000 scholarship to one student from each state for the biggest head of cabbage.

Good Luck 3rd Graders!

March Birthdays

2—Kyle Motal
 5—Keene Bennetsen
 9—Mrs. Lange
 13—Mrs. DeBord
 14—Mrs. Sitka
 16—Mrs. Steffek
 16—Dawson DeBord
 17—Austin Meyer
 20—Ms. Jalufka
 22—Kassidy Keith
 27—Trevor Meyer
 27—Caleb Nelson
 30—Blake Bujnoch

Counselor's Corner

In February, students have been discussing "honesty." In class the students have learned about the steps for follow to show honesty.

1. At home, school, and in the community, do your best to tell the truth.
2. Keep your promises.
3. Tell the truth, regardless of the consequences.
4. Voice your opinion in a thoughtful manner.
5. Follow the rules.
6. Avoid telling lies.

The students have learned about honest

Through "The Boy Who Cried Wolf," Sitting Bull, and the book, Shiloh.

"Do not do what you would undo if caught"

-Leah Arendt

Visit our website for information about the School District's State Report Card for 2007-2008 and the No Child Left Behind Report Card for 2007-2008.

www.sweethomeisd.org

"Souper Bowl" Touch Down!

Our 5th graders did an outstanding job organizing this event. Thank you to all students (and parents) for their donations.

Last year students donated 175 items.

This year, students donated 1,060 items.

Great Job Everyone!



Sweet Home Independent School District
Announces
Notice of Transfer Requests
and
New Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration
For the 2009-2010 School Year

Sweet Home ISD will accept transfer requests and enroll In-District Pre-K and Kindergarten students for the 2009-2010 school year according to the following schedule:

March 2nd - March 13th

Transfer requests accepted for the 2009-2010 school year for all grades
Pre-K through 8th Grade.

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New student registration for Pre-K and Kindergarten In-District students.

Pre-Kindergarten Tuition for the 2009-2010 School Year

In-District and Transfer Pre-K Students is \$2,200.

In-district students may be eligible for reduced tuition based o

on federal free and reduced lunch income qualifications.

Please come by the Sweet Home School Office to Pick-Up your information packet.