

COREY ELEMENTARY

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<http://coreycubspta.wordpress.com/>

Parents:

On this new site, you will be able to keep up-to-date with everything going on around Corey and with the Corey PTA. You can also view the Corey Paw Prints Newsletter at this site.

## CC's Calendar

### APRIL:

4	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math TAKS
5	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading TAKS
7	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting for Orchestra Instrument Tryout <u>Corey's Brusters Ice Cream</u> <u>"Spirit Night" 6:30-8:30 p.m.</u>
9	Orchestra Solo and Ensemble Festival
12	Cub Council Meeting 7:40 a.m. 5 <sup>th</sup> Orchestra Cluster Concert 7:00 p.m.
13	Spring Pictures
15	End of 5 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks (report cards on the 21 <sup>st</sup> )
19	Ci Ci's Day (Sublett and Cooper)
22	School Holiday
26	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> Grades Math TAKS
27	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> Grades Reading TAKS
28	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science TAKS
29	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip

**K-Kids**<sup>®</sup>  
Young Leaders Helping Others

Next K-Kids Meeting... Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>  
at 3:30 in the Cafeteria  
(We'll be getting ready for the Gollywhopper Games,  
see page 7 for details)



Please call the school  
office by **10:15 am**  
when your student is absent.  
**682-867-3900**



## Principal's Corner



Steve Howell



Spring is finally here and we are all excited about the warm weather and events scheduled at Corey for April. We are currently in the 5th six weeks of school with less than 10 weeks of school left for 2010-2011. As we approach the end of March, I would like to let everyone know about some events scheduled for the first few weeks of April. On April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, our fifth grade students will take the TAKS Test in Math and Reading. If you have a 5th grade student please have them get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast at home or school, and be on time. The students and teachers have been working very hard to prepare for the tests.

On Friday, April 8th our "new" K-Kids will participate in the Gollywhopper Games to be held at Martin H.S. Elementary schools from throughout the Martin Cluster will have various booths for students to enjoy, along with representatives from the Martin Key Club to help with the event. The Gollywhopper Games will be from 6 - 8 pm at Martin. We look forward to seeing everyone on April 8th.

For our incoming kindergarten students, our Kindergarten Roundup will be held on Monday, April 11 from 6 - 7 pm. Parents can come by and see our kindergarten teachers and their classrooms and pick up information regarding enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year.

Other events include our 5th grade Orchestra Cluster Concert on April 12, and spring pictures on April 13. Notes will go home prior to these events regarding information regarding each event.

As you can see, we have many events upcoming for the first part of the month of April. I would like to encourage all parents/guardians to come and eat lunch with their child and be a part of their grade level's activities. If you have any questions or concerns please give me a call at [682-867-3900](tel:682-867-3900) or email me at [showell@aisd.net](mailto:showell@aisd.net).

Sincerely,  
Steve Howell  
Principal, Corey Elementary

Please sign in at the front office when you come for your child's activities. Remember, you must be an approved volunteer to go to your child's end-of-year festivities. You do not need to be an approved volunteer to attend the awards ceremonies.



Spring Pictures  
April 13th



School Holiday  
April 22nd

April 7<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30  
Corey Spirit Night at  
Bruster's Ice Cream  
(South Cooper)



CiCi's Day April 19<sup>th</sup>  
(Sublett and Cooper)



## Corey PTA Spirit Store

The PTA Spirit Store will be open from 3:00 to 3:30 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays by the gym. Please stop by and see what is for sale.

2010-11 COREY T-shirts	\$10.00
ADD \$2.00 FOR 2XL-3XL	
Previous COREY T-shirts	\$7.00
New Cub Window Decals	\$6.00
Corey Lanyards	\$3.00
Stretchy Bookcovers	\$3.00
Twist Sharpeners w/ eraser	\$1.00
Decorative Pencils	\$0.25
Mechanical Pencils	\$0.75
Fun Erasers	\$0.05-\$0.50
Stick Erasers	\$0.75
Backpacks	\$8.00
Water Bottles	\$4.00

## Sixth Grade News

Hey all the people out there in Coreyland. Find out what's going on in 6th grade! Well, as you know, we just finished the 4th-6 weeks. We are looking forward to the Egg Drop on March 31st. On May 6th, we will have our next CLEAN SLATE! That's always a great way to end the 6 weeks. Remember to write assignments in your planner and STAY ORGANIZED!

...written by Taylor B. and Kailey M.

## AISD Privacy Policies

Due to AISD's privacy policies, Corey's PTA Paw Prints newsletter will not publish the names of students posted in the Hall of Fame, on the Honor Roll, or Perfect Attendance.

The Corey Hall of Fame is updated each six weeks. Please take a moment to stroll the Hall of Fame, which is located in the hall off the front office.



## Don't forget... to Clip and Save!



Please clip and save all of your Box Tops for Education and your Campbell's Labels!

Corey is still participating in the Campbell's Labels for Education and Box Tops for Education programs to earn merchandise for our school. Please clip the UPC code with points from your favorite participating products and turn them in to the Workroom.

To find Labels for Education, look for UPC code points on these participating products:

### Campbell's Products

Franco-American Participating Products  
 Pepperidge Farm Participating Products  
 SpaghettiOs Participating Products  
 Pop Secret Products

### Swanson Broth's

Prego Italian Sauces  
 V8 Participating Products  
 Bic Products

## Third Grade News

Third grade had our annual Ice Cream Sundae party on Friday, March 25 to celebrate passing all of the multiplication facts' tests. The sundaes were delicious. Thanks to all who volunteered or sent food items to make this celebration a huge success! Keep practicing those facts, and we'll have our next Math Whiz drawing at the end of this six weeks! All of third grade will be taking the Math TAKS Test on Tuesday, April 26 and the Reading TAKS Test on Wednesday, April 27. Be sure the students have plenty of rest and eat a good breakfast for those days. Here are some end of the year dates for your calendars:

April 26 - TAKS Math  
 April 27 - TAKS Reading Retest  
 May 6 - Mother's Day Breakfast for 3rd grade (7:30-8:00)  
 May 4 - 3rd Grade Field Day (12:15-3:00)  
 May 20 - Pet Day (2:40-3:10)  
 May 31 - 3rd Grade Awards Day (8:45)  
 May 31 - 3rd Grade End of Year Picnic (12:00-2:30)  
 June 1 & 2 - Kickball Tournament

## Fifth Grade Focus

It's TAKS time, and our fifth graders are ready for the big tests!

**Reading** – Reading logs will be due April 13th. Please stress to your child the importance of not waiting to the last minute to read their novels and take their AR test. A great tip for reading lengthy novels is for your child to take notes in a spiral as they read the novel. This will enable them to comprehend the novel at a much higher level. It is always fun to read a novel with a child. Please e-mail me if you want any novel recommendations. Happy Reading!!

**Writing** – Students are working on short stories in writing with our newest vocabulary. They've learned over 150 new target words this year, and some of them even have multiple meanings or different forms of the word which almost doubles how many new words they've added to their vocabulary! Ask your child to tell you a story about one of their new vocabulary words. Their creative writing makes new words come alive!

**Science** – Get ready to dive into life science this month! Students will be learning about living and non-living things and how they interact and survive in an ecosystem. Then they'll focus on life cycles and the factors that affect them. Ask your child what they've added to their interactive science journal lately! They'll be putting everything together – physical, earth and life science – to prepare for the upcoming science TAKS test on Thursday, April 28. If you're ready to start thinking about summer vacations, ask to see your student's Grand Canyon brochure to learn facts, activities and weather for your trip!

**Social Studies** – Students are having a great deal of fun preparing for a panel debate between the Loyalists and the Patriots during the time of the American Revolution. Each group will bring to life a prominent Loyalist or a Patriot, and we will have a heated debate over whether the colonists should declare independence or whether they should remain loyal to the king. In the next couple of weeks, ask your child who they think won the debate in their social studies class.

**Math** – Students are working diligently in final preparation for the upcoming TAKS math test on Monday, April 4th. Please continue to practice multiplication facts at home, as well as reviewing any math concepts that your child struggles with. Thank you for all of the help and support you have given us this year with your child's math. We greatly appreciate it!

### **April Dates to Remember**

Monday, April 4 – TAKS Math Test  
 Tuesday, April 5 – TAKS Reading Test  
 Friday, April 15 – End of 5<sup>th</sup> 6-weeks period  
 Monday, April 18 – Science System Projects Due  
 Thursday, April 21 – Report Cards  
 Friday, April 22 – Spring Holiday  
 Thursday, April 28 – TAKS Science Test  
 Friday, April 29 – Clean Slate

Thank you for the opportunity to watch your students learn and grow in 5<sup>th</sup> grade!

# Orchestra News



On Saturday, April 9, 44 of our orchestra students will be participating in the AISD Solo & Ensemble Festival at Carter Jr. High. These students have worked hard to prepare for this event and I know they will do well. I am proud of all of them for the extra effort they have put into this.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Cluster Concert will be on Tuesday, April 12. Your child has now received final instructions for this concert (bright yellow form). Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be combining with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade orchestra students from Moore and Wood. In order to be eligible for next month's festival, the first requirement is to be at this concert. The next evening concert will be the Spring Concert on Thursday, May 19 for both 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.

Next month is the Pride of Texas Festival at Alley Cats in Arlington for both 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade orchestra. Your child will be receiving the information & forms soon. Please note the requirements & deadlines. The proceeds from the fundraiser will be used to help pay for buses. I will need several approved chaperones for this event.

I have now received enrollment forms for the UTA Orchestra Camp (July 17-22). It is a camp and probably the largest in the state of Texas with 6 orchestras. If your child is really fun you to send in your application as soon as possible. Camp forms are in the orchestra room. You can also get information from the website: [www.uta.edu/music/strings](http://www.uta.edu/music/strings).

interested in attending, you will need to send in the registration form with a small deposit. Enrollment is limited to 425 students and the camp fills quickly, so I encourage 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents—I would like to encourage you to consider becoming a member of our Boles Orchestra Booster Club (BOBC) next year. We meet once a month so it is not a big commitment. It is a fun group of parents to work with & I welcome your involvement. I also hope you will encourage your child to stay in orchestra. They have learned so much while here at Corey and I hope to continue to work with them at Boles.

Lyn Stone  
[lynstone@aisd.net](mailto:lynstone@aisd.net)

# GOLLYWHOPPER GAMES

## MATH CARNIVAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Friday, April 8

Martin High School

Dinner in the Cafeteria from 5-8 p.m.

Gollywhopper Games in the Gym from 6-8 p.m.

From 6-8 p.m., flex and strengthen your math muscles with 24 **FREE, FUN** carnival games and activities!

- \* Clock Walk
- \* Spin to Win
- \* Dash and Flash Obstacle Course
- \* Soccer Kick Inflatable
- \* Baseball Inflatable
- \* Skee Ball
- \* And many more!

Admission is **FREE**. However, a donation for Mission Arlington is suggested.

From 5-8 p.m., enjoy a Spaghetti Dinner hosted by Sundown Kiwanis and MHS Key Club.

- \* Spaghetti
- \* Salad
- \* Bread
- \* Tea or Lemonade
- \* Cake

Elementary (1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade) - \$4  
Adults/7<sup>th</sup> Grade and older - \$7  
Kindergarten & younger - **FREE**

This event is being planned and implemented by students and for students from MHS and all the MHS Cluster Schools.



**JOIN Corey PTA  
2010 – 2011  
It's a Whole New Ball Game!**



Joining PTA means your yearly membership dues help support children's programs at Corey. It gives you a vote and a voice to say what happens in our schools. Joining PTA does not mean you must be a member of the Board. You may be a parent, grandparent, other relative or friend!

Although we hope you will join, **joining PTA does not mean you must volunteer.** It does mean that you will support your child's educational process! There are many other resources available to PTA Members as well!

Join 2010-2011 Corey PTA  
Yearly Membership dues: **\$6.00** per adult

PTA Member's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Attached: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a Texas Life Member? \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete one form per family with all students listed. We will credit each class with your memberships in Corey PTA. Please make checks payable to **Corey PTA.**



**VOLUNTEER APPLICATIONS**

Please remember to fill out a Volunteer Application if you plan on visiting with your student or participating in school sponsored activities. This includes eating lunch with your student.

A copy of the Volunteer Application can be picked up in the school office. Please fill out the application with all pertinent information and return it to the school office with a copy of your driver's license. Your application will not be processed unless a copy of your driver's license is provided. Volunteer forms must be re-submitted each school year.

It takes approximately 6 to 8 weeks for a background check to be performed and for your application to be processed. Please return your volunteer application as soon as possible to the school office so that you will not miss participating in your students school activities.