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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

OCTOBER:

- 6 International Walk to School Day
(Meet at Cliff Nelson)
- 8 & 11 STUDENT HOLIDAY
- 12 Math Benchmarks Grades 3-6
- 13 Reading Benchmarks Grades 3-6
- 19 Chick Fil A Night 5 – 8 p.m.
- 20 Science Benchmark 5th Grade
- 23 PTA Celebration of Freedom Run
8:00 a.m.
- 26 Corey McTeacher Night at
McDonald's (Forest Bend) 5:00 p.m.
- 29 Fall Aerobics (in the Gym)
9:15 1st Grade, 10:10 2nd Grade,
11:05 3rd Grade, 12:30 4th Grade

Corey Family Fun Night

Mark your calendar. The second annual Corey Family Fun Night will be **Friday, November 12**. Look for loads of booths, games, food and fun. Don't miss the incredible silent auction, variety of vendors and exciting entertainment. Information will be coming home with your child soon. We're looking forward to seeing everyone!



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



Principal's Corner



Steve Howell



It's hard to believe but the first six weeks of school is almost over. The students and staff at Corey Elementary have been working very hard with a focus on "instruction" in the classroom. We have had some exciting assemblies including our "Slant 45" assembly and "Play It Safe 60" assembly. The children and staff have enjoyed seeing Dennis Lee (NaNa Puddin) and Rowdy (Dallas Cowboys Mascot) at school. We also had a sixth grade student who received special recognition from Arlington Mayor Cluck for her efforts in "Moving with The Mayor" Contest from this past summer.

We are looking forward to some exciting events for the month of October at Corey. Some of these events include the following.

October 5	Corey Site-Based Decision Committee Meeting
October 6	International "Walk To School" Day
October 7	Report Cards distributed to students
October 19	Chick Fil A Night
October 26	Corey McDonalds McTeacher Night

Several letters have gone home to Pre-k and Kindergarten Parents regarding the parking at school to help with the drop off and pickup of our younger children at Corey. I would ask that everyone please follow the posted signs and park in the designated parking areas at Corey. Please do not leave your vehicle unattended in the drive thru lanes. With everyone's help and support we can insure the safety and welfare of everyone at school.

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.



October 8th & 11th
Student Holiday

Join PTA!

It's never too late to join PTA! Your membership dues help pay for projects that directly benefit our students!

The homeroom class with 100% parent participation and the homeroom class with 100% participation by student count will get a special treat from PTA.

The numbers have not been tallied yet and the deadline for getting the memberships in for the treat is October 20th!

Forms can be found in the rack by the office or at the end of this newsletter! Don't forget that the Texas PTA website (txpta.org) has lots of parent and teacher resources! Questions? Contact Annette Jarvis by leaving a note with the office. Thank you!

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

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

Hello to All our Corey KINDERGARTEN Parents:

We are so privileged and honored to have your child in our classrooms this year! Just a few quick notes on what we are learning so far in Kinder. We have been working on our color words and a few new sight words (I, can, we, my). My Family and Me is the theme for our reading unit for the next few weeks. In Math, it's all about sorting, position and location words, and numbers 1 through 5.

In the next few weeks, we will be starting our District Reading and Math tests, and will share the results with you at our individual Fall Kindergarten conferences (to be scheduled in November).

Please be sure to check the communication folders (and sign them) each night. That is one of the primary ways we communicate with you. And if you need anything, just jot us a note or give us a call during our conference periods.

Just a little thought to leave you with:

"The greatest gifts you can give your children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence."
Denis Waitley

Thank You!
Your partner in your child's education,
The Corey Kindergarten Team ☺

FIRST GRADE NEWS

Wow! Can you believe we've been in school for 6 weeks already?? The time has gone by fast! Now that 1st grade is done with all of our testing, we are buckling down and getting into some serious learning!!! Thanks to all of you who attended our parent night. We know it was a lot of info, but we hope you walked away with some insight into first grade here at Corey and also some ways to partner with us in helping your child practice at home what we're learning at school. Don't forget to come out for the Fall Aerobics Monster Mash on Friday, October 29th. It will be during our PE time, 9:15-10:05. The kids incorporate songs they have learned in music, masterpieces they have created in art, and dance moves learned in PE. It's a MUST SEE!!!

Thanks!
First Grade Team



Third Grade News

The year is definitely off to a flying start as we are busily working in 3rd grade. We enjoyed **Johnny Appleseed's birthday on September 24** as we all made applesauce and worked on several "apple" projects. We are completing the cursive alphabet and are about to begin working on our keyboarding skills.

In October we decorate our hallway like a field with our scarecrows and shaded pumpkins. During October we will also have many interesting animals come into our classrooms as we complete our **Animal Mask projects** and present them. Parents look for more details soon.

Our Pizza Hut Book-It program will kick off this month. Each month the third graders are **required** to read books for their free pizza coupon. If they do not read the books by the due dates, they will need to read them during Study Hall.

At the end of each six weeks, third graders enjoy a **D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read)** day, where we literally do that for part of the day. On D.E.A.R. day third graders may bring a blanket, a flashlight, 2 snacks, and a good book. During the week of October 11, we will have our first Reading and Math Benchmark Tests. Please try to be sure our third graders get a good night's sleep and a nutritional breakfast that week.

We look forward to celebrating **National Sandwich Day on Wednesday, November 3**, by eating sub sandwiches for lunch. Did you know there was an Earl of Sandwich who actually invented this tasty lunchtime food? We will do several "sandwich" activities that day.

Reminder: As cooler weather approaches, please have your children dress accordingly. If possible, please label their jackets and coats with their name.

We hope you enjoy this special time of year!

Fourth Grade News

If you have walked the halls of fourth grade you have seen the t-shirts created by our 2010/2011 students illustrating their many personalities. It has been a smooth beginning with a few tweaks here and there. Thank you, parents, for the supplies, signed notes, and donations to Fourth Grade General Store and your attendance at the Parent Meeting. Hopefully, you are more aware of what your child's life is like on a daily basis. Here are a few dates to be aware of:

Thursday, October 7:
Report Cards go home

Week of October 4:
First Six Weeks Cub Day
First Six Weeks General Store

We are still in need of funds to restock our store for this school year. If you would like to help support this positive reward for our students, please send your donations in an envelope marked "General Store" to your homeroom teacher.



Corey Parents:

Please make sure your email address is on file so that you will continue to receive the **Corey Paw Prints Newsletter** each month.

We no longer print every issue. If you are not receiving the newsletter via email you can send an email to coreypawprints@gmail.com with ADD ME in the subject line. You will also be able to view the monthly newsletter on the Corey website at:

<http://www.aisd.net/corey/coreypta/pawprints/pawprints2.html>

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.



ATTENTION

Be sure to check the lost and found and the stage in the cafeteria for any lost articles of clothing, lunch boxes or back packs.

Please check your child's school supplies weekly to make sure that they have the materials and tools necessary to make their school year successful.

Be sure to keep the office updated on any contact information changes for your student.

Fifth Grade News

Welcome to 5th Grade! We hope you had a great summer. We are looking forward to learning new things and achieving great success with your student this year. Welcome to Mrs. Richardson, our newest 5th grade team member!

Below is a list of our 5th grade team with emails for your convenience.

Mrs. Duskocil – Reading	cduokoci@aisd.net
Mrs. Jablon – Math & Social Studies	cjablon@aisd.net
Mrs. Loyd – Science & Writing	jloyd1@aisd.net
Ms. McDonald – Math & Social Studies	jmcdonal@aisd.net
Mrs. Richardson – Science & Writing	drichar3@aisd.net

5th Grade Schedule

Period 1	8:05 – 9:20
Period 2	9:25 – 10:20
Period 3	10:45 – 11:30
Period 3	12:00 – 12:20 (cont.)
Period 4	12:25 – 1:20
Conference	1:25 – 2:15
Period 5	2:15 – 3:15

Lunch Schedule (during Period 3)

11:30 – 12:00	(Loyd, Richardson)
11:35 – 12:05	(Jablon)
11:40 – 12:10	(McDonald, Duskocil)

Conference Time

1:25 – 2:15 each day

Here are a few important reminders and dates for your calendar:

Supplies – Please see Miss Parsons if you need any assistance.

Class instruction will begin at 8:05, so please make every effort to arrive on time.

Watch for announcements DAILY on your student's communicator about assignments, activities and events. Please remember to sign and return your student's communicator each night, including any notes sent home during the week.

As always, be sure to let us know any phone number or email changes throughout the year so that we can get in touch with you as necessary.

Sixth Grade News--by Avery J. and Aubrey W.

The first 6 weeks is flying by and sixth graders have learned to be organized and rotate through their class schedule. They have also become more responsible about their daily work. Always remember to write down assignments in your planner. We are looking forward to our first Clean Slate Celebration at Cliff Nelson on Friday, October 15th.

NURSE'S NOTES

Medication Policy and Request



Only medication required for a student to stay in school can be given. Narcotics cannot be administered. Medications may be given by an unlicensed person. Medication can be given following these guidelines:

- A parent or adult should bring medicine to the clinic in case clarification or special directions are needed. The first dose of medication must be given at home to observe for reactions.

Medication must be kept in the school clinic in a locked cabinet. *Do not* put a dose in a lunch box for self administration. The medication must be in the original container and be labeled properly (medication in baggies and/or unlabeled medication will not be given).

Send only the amount of medication needed at school. No extra medication can be sent home with students (except inhalers). An adult must pick up unused medication on the last day of school or it will be destroyed.

- Medication requests must be updated each school year.

Elementary: *ALL* prescriptions and over-the-counter medications (including cough drops) require a doctor's *AND* parent's written request.

School Nurse
Corey Elementary
(682)867-3906



Noteworthy News

During the 2010-2011 school year, students in three grade levels will attend performances away from campus. Fourth grade traveled to Bass Hall in downtown Fort Worth on Thursday, September 23rd, to hear the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra's performance of *Copland and the Common Man*. The orchestra performed three selections written by American composer Aaron Copland. The concert included a multi-media presentation of drawings and photographs of folk hero John Henry, President Abraham Lincoln, and scenes from the Civil War period. The music was enhanced by a narrator who spoke of Copland, John Henry, and Abraham Lincoln throughout the presentation.

In December, the third grade students will go to Texas Hall on the UTA campus to see the Metropolitan Ballet Company's presentation of *The Nutcracker* ballet. Exact date and time will be scheduled soon.

Our second grade students will travel to Bass Hall on Monday, April 25th to see folksinger and storyteller David Holt. Many years ago, Mr. Holt made a presentation at Corey, and I am looking forward to the second graders having this exciting opportunity at Bass Hall!

Coming up on Friday, October 29th.....the annual 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade students' Fall Art, Music, and PE presentations in the Gym:

1st grade = 9:15 to 10:05
2nd grade = 10:10 to 11:00
3rd grade = 11:05 to 11:55
4th grade = 12:30 to 1:20



Welcome to P.E. land! Time to get your athletic shoes on and get movin. Here are some dates to put on your calendar:

***PTA Freedom Run- Oct 23** at the Admin. building. Forms will be sent out soon.

PTA Freedom Run: The Arlington Council of PTA's Celebration of Freedom Run will be held on Saturday October 23rd at the Admin. Building on Pioneer Parkway. Each Corey student will receive one form from us in the gym and additional forms may be downloaded from Mrs. Barnes' website if more family members wish to participate. Each participant must have their own form filled out and turned in. Corey always has a big turnout for this run, so find your running/walking shoes and come join us Oct. 23rd.

*** All completed forms must be returned to the gym by Wednesday September 28th.

*** International Walk to school day-Oct. 6th**

International Walk to School day is Wed. Oct. 6th. Mark your calendars and come meet us at the Cliff Nelson recreational center at 7:45am where students, parents, family members and teachers will start the walk and finish at Corey. Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun.

***Field Days- May 3-6**

May 3---6th am

2nd pm

May 4---5th am

3rd pm

May 5---4th am

1st pm

May 6---Kindergarten am

Pre K pm

Volunteers for field days are always needed each year. If you would like to help out on the field or at the concession stand each volunteer must be on the approved AISD volunteer list and to do that you must get your paper work turned in now. Why wait? Pick up an application in the front office, fill it out, make a copy of your drivers license, and return it the front office. Easy and done! Thanks to all the volunteers each year who help make field days such a success. You are the best.

Other activities happening in the gym are:

Fall Aerobics-"Monster Mash": Oct 29th Grades 1,2,3,4.

Jump Rope for Heart: Nov. 11th-30th

Corey Turkey Trot in P.E. classes: Nov. 8-19th

Hoop Shoot contest in P.E. classes: Dec. 6-10 (grades 3,4,5,6)

Fitness gram testing in P.E. classes: March 1-11 (grades 3,4,5,6)

Fuel up to Play 60 is a program that was introduced by Mrs. Barnes at the beginning of the school year. It is a great program that promotes healthy eating and playing for at least 60 minutes each day. If you would like to know more about this program you may look at the website at fueluptoplay60.com. Go check it out!



**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 _____

Student: _____ Grade/Homeroom _____

Student: _____ Grade/Homeroom _____

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.

