

# VIKING VOICE



Highland Village Elementary School

September 26th, 2011

## HVE's Weekly Newsletter

### STAY CONNECTED

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To PTA



### Upcoming Events

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|------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Sept. 29th | Picture Day                 |            |
| Oct. 6th   | IHOP Night                  | 5-11pm     |
| Oct. 7th   | Spirit Day                  |            |
| Oct. 10th  | NO SCHOOL Columbus/Fair Day |            |
| Oct. 14th  | Book Fair starts            |            |
| Oct. 19th  | Sonic Night                 | 5-9pm      |
| Oct. 20th  | Family Reading Night        | 6:30-7:30p |
|            | PTA Meeting                 | 6:00pm     |
| Oct. 21st  | Early release               | 1:15pm     |

### PTA Corner

Joke of  
the  
Week



Why are circles so smart?

Because they have 360 degrees!

-Boy's Life

Thank you to all Highland Village Elementary School families who have joined the PTA this year. We now have over 200 members, and are still taking memberships. We are looking forward to a great year, with so much family involvement. [Membership forms](#) are available on the [PTA website](#) if you want to join us.

Look for exciting changes to come, starting with our shade structure for the playground. Our shade structure at this point is fully funded, and we will be starting on installation in October! More information will be provided as it becomes available.

Be sure to follow the PTA on [Facebook \(HVE Pta\)](#) and [Twitter \(@HVE PTA\)](#), for the latest updates on PTA activities."

## Twitter for Music



Hello all wonderful HVE parents,

I've never tweeted or followed anyone on twitter. So, this should be fun. Here is the web address for you to get an account: [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com)

My account is '@hvemusic' and it is locked. If I don't let you in (recognize your email), just send an email letting me know your email address and child's name. I'm going to be safe rather than sorry. Privacy is so important.

Let me know if you need any help setting this up.

Sing-cerely,  
Mrs. Matney

## Staff Birthdays



### September

27th Shana Murphy

### October

4th Ms. Thomason  
25th Nurse Mary

**"Your children need your presence more than your presents."**

~ Jesse Jackson

## Reflections

This is the continuation of our information on the Reflections contest.

Nearing the end of the school year there will be an awards ceremony for all participants at HVE. For those who get promoted from district to state will be invited to an awards ceremony held by the district. Those who go high enough in the state competition get invited to

a state level ceremony by Texas PTA! National winners are eligible for a host of awards and scholarships as well as a paid trip out of state to attend a National Ceremony

For questions or more information email, Rachel at [hveptareflections@gmail.com](mailto:hveptareflections@gmail.com).

LISD is offering free, 3 class courses on becoming a "Love and Logic" parent in October. Come learn the secrets of successful parenting.

[Flyer, in English](#)

[Flyer, en espanol](#)

## Corporate Incentives

Corporate Incentives programs are a way for our school to earn money from corporate sponsors and local businesses.

We have two types of programs - collection and purchase programs. Look for information covering all programs over the next few weeks.

Two of our purchase pro-

grams will be ending on October 13th.

"Escrip's 10% Back to Schools" is in redemption mode right now. All you have to do is check your Tom Thumb receipts for a redemption code, and enter it at [www.backtoschools.escrip](http://www.backtoschools.escrip) Choose Highland Village Elementary School as

your school. You only have to redeem the code once.

Our second program is the "It's Elementary School" Rewards Program at the Shops of Highland Village. We are currently in 5th place out of 10 schools competing to win \$3000. Shop the shops and turn in your

receipts with HVE written on them to earn points. Also post on [Facebook](#) for more points. Check the website for details and bonus point offers at [www.itselementaryhv.org](http://www.itselementaryhv.org)

it's elementary!

## Getting to know: Janet Townsend

Hello HVE Families,

My name is Janet Townsend, and I am starting my first year as the School Counselor at Highland Village Elementary School. I moved here from Oklahoma 24 years ago. I am a big OSU Cowboys Fan; go Pokes!

I have been with the LISD school district for 13 years as an elementary counselor. I service both College Street Elementary and HVE: Vikings can find me here on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and every other Monday.



I live with my husband and 3 wonderful boys. I look forward to meeting all of you and having a terrific year!

This is my 24th year in education; the first 5 years, I taught special education, and I've been a school counselor for the last 19 years.

## TIPS\*

Every year, several times a year, the HVE lost and found overflows with unclaimed jackets, sweaters, lunchboxes, and such. To decrease the chances of this happening to you, put your child's name on EVERYTHING they bring to school. There is a better chance of them getting it back, if there is a name in it.

\*To insure parental sanity

## Your time to shine

### Top 3 reasons to work the school's book fair:

If you love books, it gives you a sneak preview of ALL the books available for sale!

It feels good to help the school out, and seeing the students get excited about reading is awesome!

YOUR child will think it's so cool that Mom and Dad are at school!

Ideally, we need 4 people before and after school each day, and coverage for 2-person shifts throughout the day.

### Thurs. 10/13

Set-up 7:15am-done

### Fri.10/14

7:15am-3:30pm

K-2 previews this day

(Little ones need extra help writing their wish list)

### Mon. 10/17 –Thur. 10/20

7:15am-3:30pm

### Thur. Night 10/20

5:30-8pm

Family Reading Night

### Fri. 10/21

Close 7:15am-noonish

For more information or to sign up, contact:

[hveptabookfair@gmail.com](mailto:hveptabookfair@gmail.com)



Volunteer Opportunities

## What are YOU reading?

If you enjoyed the Percy Jackson series, you will probably like "The Lost Hero, because it was written by the same man. Some of the same characters are in it, like Annabeth.

It is a pretty cool book. It is all about three people - Jason, Piper, and Leo. Jason wakes up on a bus and he doesn't remember

a thing! Piper doesn't know how to react to all the crazy things that happen to her and her friends, and she just has to ask for anything and she gets it. Leo is a gadget master, he can make any electronic device do anything, and he can make fire start from his fingertips. They all don't know how to react when Annabeth comes to

the rescue.

It is funny, exciting, adventurous, and you should definitely read it!

~ Elena Saari

5th grade



"The Lost Hero"

By Rick Riordan

# *Come to Our* **BOOK FAIR!** *Reading Is Out of This World!*

## What is One for Books?

It is a Scholastic sponsored fundraising program.

## How Does it Work?

We raise money from our school and we donate books to our school!

Whatever **\$\$\$** we raise, Scholastic matches our **\$\$\$** and donated to one of their charities, i.e. Toys for Tots.

For example: we raise \$850.00

We get to purchase \$850 worth of books for our school!

Scholastic then donates \$850 to their charity!

How cool is that!

## How are we collecting \$\$\$?

Each grade will have a container in the cafeteria

Oct. 11th-20th. Bring in your extra change place it in the appropriate container!

We will count the change after Oct 20<sup>th</sup> and announce

the winner the following week!

The winning grade receives a Popcorn Party!



## Book Fair - Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>

### Mask Parade every Morning

*Kids wear your Galaxy themed masks and accessories (Home made is great!) during morning drop off! 7:15-7:45am*

Masks and accessories **must** be removed before school starts!



### Mask Parade Schedule

Kindergarten - Friday Oct 14<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Monday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Tuesday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Wednesday Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> Grade - Thursday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Friday Oct 21<sup>st</sup>

### Doughnuts with Dad

Tuesday - Oct 18th 7:15-7:45am, Dad, doughnuts & coffee

### Reading Night

Thursday Oct 20<sup>th</sup> K-2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30-7 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> 7-7:30

*Wear your PJ's & bring a blanket to enjoy a story being told! We'll have cookies and drinks*

### Class Previews

Friday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> K-2<sup>nd</sup> - Monday Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>

### Book Fair Hours

Oct 14<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> 7:15-3:30

Reading Night 6:30-8pm

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 7:15-9am

For more info contact [hveptaBookfair@gmail.com](mailto:hveptaBookfair@gmail.com)

Absent? Email: [pearsonk@lisd.net](mailto:pearsonk@lisd.net) or call: 972-350-5800

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I hope you enjoyed last week's inaugural issue of the Viking Voice. Thank you to those who shared their encouraging comments! We want the VV to be a forum not only for the PTA, but for all the teachers, students, and parents that have something positive to say. We encourage you to submit your jokes, mini book reviews on what you or your child are reading, interesting websites or parenting tips; anything you think others might also enjoy. We are open to suggestions. The Viking Voice is a weekly newsletter, delivered via email each Monday. Submissions must be made the previous Tuesday by 5pm, for next week's inclusion.

Please send submissions to Natalie Saari at: [vikingvoice@verizon.net](mailto:vikingvoice@verizon.net)

## Mom and Son Monster Mash



Moms- enjoy a **Howling** good time with your sons!

Saturday, October 22nd 6:30-9:30pm

Creekview High School, 3201 Old Denton Road

Kid-friendly Haunted House

Meet real SWAT Team Members and Firefighters  
Bounce House, Dancing, Games, Snacks, and Door Prizes

**Come as you aren't and wear your favorite kid-friendly costumes.** Take a photo with your little Ghoul(s); photos available to purchase

Join us if you dare: \$10 per person in advance, or \$15 at the door, \$1 hot dogs

For more information, click [HERE](#)

Register online at:  
[msmm.eventbrite.com](http://msmm.eventbrite.com)



Ghosted by the Carrollton Police  
Officers Association



## Viking Voice

### Media Outlet Meltdown

The PTA wants to keep in touch with you! We are offering 3 opportunities to win an HVE Spirit Pack, if we meet our goals by October 1st.

- If we have 400 people sign up to receive the Viking Voice. Send your email permission to: [ptahve@gmail.com](mailto:ptahve@gmail.com)
- If we have 500 people friend us on Facebook 
- If we have 300 people subscribe to us on Twitter 

One lucky follower from each outlet will win a Spirit Pack

