



# February Newsletter

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>SPRING-CREEK BARBEQUE</b>	Thank you for a successful Spirit Night in January!			30	31	Bday Book Club Breakfast Raise Craze Kickoff
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				Hot Houser Hawk Lunch		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
					Raise Craze Ends	DI Tournamnet
17	 Student Holiday	18	19	20	21	23
				Spirit Night @ Chick-fil-A	22	
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
				Family Reading Night		

## Important Details:



### February 21:

Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A on Lake Woodlands all day long! Students will need to take the flyer or say they are there for Houser Spirit Day. 20% of sales will go to Houser.

### February 28:

Family Reading Night  
5:30 - 7:00 PM



### Raise Craze

Fundraising with Kindness  
Feb. 1- Feb. 15

Family Service Day - Feb. 14  
Why did we pick Raise Craze?

- Reinforces kindness in the classroom and improves the culture of our school.
- Everyone can participate by completing Acts of Kindness.
- Classroom Goals promote team building and cooperation.
- Our school keeps 90% or more!

# A Note From Your Principal

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Our campus 2017-2018 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) and Federal Report Card have been posted on our school's profile page. If you would like a paper copy of the report(s), please notify the front desk. Both of the accountability reports can be accessed using the following steps:

- From the Conroe ISD home page:
  - Go to "Our Schools"
  - Browse for your school
  - Click "Show More" to see the "View School Profile" button and click it
  - Select "Accountability Reports"
  - Click "2017-2018"
  - Select "Texas Academic Performance Report or Federal Report Card"
- From Houser's website:
  - Go to [houser.conroeisd.net](http://houser.conroeisd.net) and "Our School"
  - Click "Campus Profile"
  - Select "Accountability Reports"
  - Click "2017-2018"
  - Select "Texas Academic Performance Report or Federal Report Card"



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## February:

As parents, all you want to do is to make sure your children feel safe, secure and mostly importantly loved. So how can you do that aside from telling them you love them? Well, actions speak louder than words. How many times have you heard that in your life? How can you put your love into action every day, in simple doable ways? Below are several easy ways to show your children you love them:

- **Look them in the eyes** when they are trying to talk to you. Stop what you are doing, focus on them, get on their level and look them in the eyes. Give them your full attention as much as you can.
- **Make physical contact** by hugging them, giving them a high five, cuddle with them, hold their hand, or sit on the couch with them. Let them share their affection with you. Their hugs and kisses are the best!
- **Compliment them** by letting them know they are doing a good job. Be specific in your compliments, for example, "I've noticed that your math grade improved on your report card." Build up their self-confidence.
- **Thank them** when they listen to you and follow your directives. Let them know their response is appreciated. This helps them feel good and validated about themselves.
- **Make bedtime special** by reflecting on their day. What was their favorite part, did they learn something new, and is there something they need to work on, or improve?
- **Let them cook** with you and give them tasks that make them feel big and important. For sure, it can be hard when you are rushing and trying to quickly get something together, but remember it can be something small like washing the vegetables.
- **Create habits and routines** with them. Structure in the home makes your child feel loved and cared for.
- **Most importantly, teach them to be kind** to others. You are their role model and they learn best from you. Get them involved in random acts of kindness. Teach them that a random act of kindness is when you go above and beyond for someone else. A surprise when someone least expects it. Your child should feel good about their acts of kindness and expect nothing in return. Something simple is giving away toys that they don't seem to play with anymore to children who may not have any.

Small engagements like this will let your children know they are loved, and cared for. Remember children are always learning and so are you!

## Corner

We hope you and your family are settled in after the holidays. This is the time of year when winter takes a toll on school attendance. Colds, fevers and earaches that often come with the winter months can make it challenging to get students to school.

These absences, even if they are excused, can add up to academic trouble. If it is a icy or rainy day but school is still open, students miss out on learning if they aren't in class. There's not much we can do about the weather, but we can work together to keep them healthy. We can dress them warmly for the cold weather and make sure they've got hats and gloves. We encourage them to wash their hands regularly and use hand sanitizer. If your children do get sick, talk to a doctor or the school nurse about whether they should come to school and when it is okay for them to return.

Above all, let us know how we can help. We want your children and all our students to succeed. And that means attending school every day possible.

Your Assistant Principals,  
**Kelly Garvin and Robby Cantu**

## Clinic News

Cold and flu season is upon us. Hand washing, when done correctly, is the single most effective way to prevent the spread of communicable diseases. Good hand washing technique is easy to learn and can significantly reduce the spread of infectious diseases in both children and adults.

There is more to hand washing than you think! By rubbing your hands vigorously with soapy water, you pull the dirt plus the oily soils free from your skin. The soap lather suspends both the dirt and germs trapped inside and are then quickly washed away.

Follow these four simple steps to keeping hands clean:

- Wet your hands with warm running water.
- Add soap, then rub your hands together, making a soapy lather. Do this away from the running water for at least 10 seconds (about the time it takes to sing the ABC song ) being careful not to wash the lather away. Wash the front and back of your hands, as well as between your fingers and under your nails.
- Rinse your hands well under warm running water. Let the water run back into the sink, not down to your elbows.
- Dry hands thoroughly with a clean towel.



# PRE-K

# KINDERGARTEN

February is the month of love, and Pre-K teachers LOVE working with your children! Last month students learned about winter and the changes the new season brings. We have also begun our weekly Scholastic sight word book. We practice our letters, words and concepts of print with these books.

In February, we will be working on blending syllables into words, compound word deletion, producing letter sounds (10 sounds) and using information from books. In math, we will be learning ordinal terms (4th– 5th), recognizing and comparing heights, lengths, capacity and weight, and one to one counting (1-10) knowing objects can be counted in any order.

February also brings our Valentine card exchange. Please look for more information about this activity to be sent home in your child's folder.

Oh! How the month of February touches all of our hearts. This month in kindergarten we will be expressing how important it is to spread kindness and love wherever you go. February 14th, we will celebrate with a Valentine card exchange. Feel free to send in homemade cards expressing kind thoughts for each friend.

Continue to hold conversations with your little ones. Having them respond to you in a complete sentence will help them to be better writers and speakers.

This month kindergarten will be busy learning about 2D and 3D shapes, the difference between living and non-living things, as well as important people in our history like Abraham Lincoln and George Washington.

Kindergarten will have a time line project due towards the end of January which they will have to present at the beginning of February. Look for more info to come home about our field trip in March.

## 2nd Grade

Second Grade is full steam ahead in 2019! Students are reviewing their New Year's goals in reading and celebrating their giant strides in fluency and reading levels. Reading stamina has also improved as students are learning to enjoy the different genres like poetry and this month we are amping up our reading power with longer fiction books. Students are also growing in writing as we are using details and comparisons to communicate our feelings and thoughts. Math is cycling back to regrouping and students will be proving their skills with 3 digit numbers and mastering time and measurement. The district Science fair will be held on February 2nd, so be sure to come see the interactive tables at Lone Star Convention Center. Houser will be focusing on "Objects in the Sky". In Social Studies we will be researching historical figures during black history month and Presidents Day. Continue to read and play math games at home and enjoy listening to your child's conversations about learning this month!

## 3rd Grade

In February we will begin a new unit in reading called character studies. We will be reading Because of Winn Dixie as a class to practice all of our reading strategies! Students are expected to be independently reading for 30-45 minutes each day in class, as well as 30 minutes at home. In math we will begin our measurement unit where we will learn about area and perimeter. Following that unit we will begin studying geometry! In science we are learning about rapid changes to the earth's surface and the weather. In social studies we will learn about Black History Month, leaders and presidents, and women's history. We have a lot of exciting things coming up for our 3rd graders in the month of February!

## ART

### Seasonal Art 2

4th : Heart Sunglasses

3rd : Tree of Hearts

2nd: Heart Flowers

1st: Mondrian Heart

K: Heart and Flower Blending