

Monaco Elementary School

School Board Communication

November 2015



We are moving fast into the **Holiday Season! Thanksgiving** is almost upon us!

November started out with **Intra District UIL** took place on the 4th. Our students at both elementary campuses work very hard in each of their chosen events. Good Luck to all in the upcoming District competition!

Because of inclement weather, our **2nd Graders** performed in their musical program, "Character Tango", on the 10th instead of the 5th. They danced their way into their character roles! It was a precious play about having true character.

Our marvelous **PTO** served us lunch on the 10th. They provided many different kinds of soups with all the trimmings!

We had a very unique **Veterans Day Remembrance** on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 with many different branches of the service and wartimes represented. A MES parent who is a veteran was our guest speaker. Some of our veterans were retired military grandparents with a few active or reservist dads thrown in. We have on our campus one retired military teacher. A reception was then provided for our veterans. Thank you all for your dedication to our country.

On the 12th, MES offered a **Parent Workshop 101** night to any parent interested. Parents were able to choose 2 sessions from a variety of "hot topics". Each session ran for approximately 25 minutes. The whole workshop was from 6 to 7 pm. Child care was provided. Attendance was exceptional as well as the speakers! MES looks forward to offering another workshop in the future.

We had a **Fire Drill, Reverse Lockdown, and Lockdown on the 17th**. The students are getting proficient.

Our annual StuCo **Food Drive** will end on the 18th. The local food banks desperately need all the donations they can get. The winning classrooms were awarded a **Snowball Fight!** We have awesome students who are always willing to help out whenever there is a need!

November 19th will be our annual **Thanksgiving Feast** for K-2 students. Our wonderful cafeteria personnel will prepare and serve a most delicious meal to any students, staff or parents who wish to participate. We can't wait!

Starting November 30th all the campuses will be in competition to collect the most toys for the **Marine Corps Reserve “Toys for Tots”** toy drive. It will be an interesting showdown. We at MES will also have an in-house competition between grade levels with the prize being a snowball fight!

We at Monaco Elementary wish all of you a very Blessed Thanksgiving Break!!

GT News

The Gifted and Talented students are researching and creating different units to present. The 3rd graders are working on creating projects pertaining to a board game they each have chosen and have researched. The 4th graders are digging up the ancient Greeks past. Each student has chosen a topic to research and create a presentation. The 5th graders are working on our future! Four different groups are working on different renewable energy sources. The sources they are researching are Biomass, Solar, Wind, and Hydro power. The nomination period has closed and now the screening process begins for GT acceptance. Sixty-nine students will go through the GT screening process in the next few weeks. These students include 2nd - 8th grade.