

# Hutch Happenings for Feb 2013!

The greatest oak was once a little nut who held its ground. ~Author Unknown



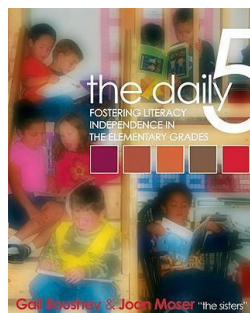
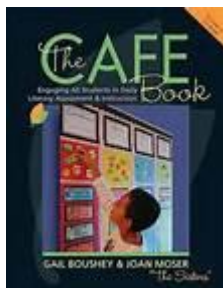
## February

Continued theme: Choose Kind!!

STAAR Benchmark Testing: The students took benchmark tests on Feb. 5, 6, and 7<sup>th</sup> in Reading, Math, Science, and Writing. The teachers will use the benchmark data to plan their curriculum for the next six weeks (until test time) and develop tutoring groups for afterschool.



Current look at Curriculum: We are looking closely at the Daily 5 ~ a research based literacy program that encourages smaller reading groups and activities. We have ordered STAAR Master to be used as an added resource for STAAR practice and we are “revamping” our daily schedule to incorporate more math time.



Follow The Signs to Success~ Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>~ at 2:00 p.m. we will have our STAAR Rally! “Follow the Signs to Success!” The teachers will put on a skit that outlines great strategies for the STAAR test and we will hand out the students STAAR tshirts.



Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Gateway Family Services will present an assembly on Internet and Cell Phone Awareness. The third grade will receive a younger version based on stranger safety as well. Our students are very much a part of the technology world and it is a scary place for them. Too many “outside” people are able to contact our students and our students need the tools to know what to do and who to tell.



Feb. 14 ~ Valentine Parties! ~ We will celebrate Valentine’s Day at 2:45 with tons of sweets! This is one of our candy parties...so no one will diet that day!



Feb. 21 ~ Fourth and Fifth grade will have their Maturity Talks today during P.E. Coach Graham and Nurse Mowery will give the talks. Parents are welcome to attend if they choose.



Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ End of our 4<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks! Report Cards will go home on Thursday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>!

Feb 4~Feb 22: Save the Theater! We are hosting a penny drive to help our local theater! The class in each grade level that raises the most money will receive an ice cream sandwich party!



Wednesdays – Hutch Tshirt Day! - to show school spirit and unity!



Coming Soon~ Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Hutch! Texas Style! We will have a day full of western activities Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>! From dancing, to bull riding, storytellers, burgers, horse shoeing, roping, and rodeo clowns!