Monaco Elementary School School Board Communication March 2016



The first week of March started out with lots of wind but fairly mild.

Fish Camp (Tutoring) continues on through March and April and into May. We are working diligently to get those students ready for the STAAR!

Monaco PTO Read-a-thon fundraiser continues until March 11. Prizes are awarded daily for the student who has read the most in each grade level for that day.

First grade had their Field Trip to **UNT Elm Fork Discovery Park** on the 10th. We are hoping for good weather that day so they can really enjoy the whole experience.

Our annual **Club Day** commenced on the 11th with many different activities offered to our students. They could learn the fundamentals of basketball or the fine art of Legos building. Throwing, catching, drawing, and decorating were some other choices available. Faculty and many parents share their talents with our students. Even Annette Crooks led a club on horse care.

Career Day was the morning of the 11th. Many community leaders including a dentist, a vet, a police officer, and the fire department volunteered their time to come out and talk with our students about what can be possible for them in their futures. The students always have many questions about what kind of education is required for those careers represented. Thank you to our volunteers for giving of their time and talents.

The Library will be hosting the **TX 2*2 Celebration**. This is for grades K-2 who have read enough books to earn certain levels. They will have a fun time in the library. Kinder celebrated at 1:05 and 1:55 on March 21st. They will also have **Spring Book Fair** all week the 28th through the 31st.

The 24th caused a lot of activity from the lower grades. **Easter eggs** were everywhere. Each egg had a letter in it. The students had to find the letters that spelled out a saying or word. They then received a special treat. A lot of trading went on during the hunt! We will have a cohort of teachers and administrators coming from **Clinkscale Elementary** in **Burleson ISD** on the 24th to tour our school. They have requested to come see what makes MES so successful. We consider this a great honor!

Huddle happens on the afternoon of the 24th with grades 1 & 2 celebrating at 1:30 pm and grades 3 & 4 at 2:15 pm. The students look forward to being recognized for attendance and academic achievements. This is our award ceremony for Perfect Attendance, A Honor Roll, A-B Honor Roll, and FISH recognition for the past 9 weeks. Parents are welcome to attend Huddle and have as much fun as the students.

We will be having 4th Grade **STAAR Writing Test** on the 29th.

Spring Pictures are here on March 30th. Class Group pictures are taken at this time.

Fourth Grade has their **Bloomfield Schoolhouse Orientation** on March 31st. They get a visit from the wonderful ladies who run the schoolhouse. They come in period dress and extoll about the history of the Bloomfield school and area around.

We finish the month with **Open House** on the 31st at 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Our theme this year is **"Out of This World"**. Sounds like interesting costumes that night. There will be classroom displays, student activities, book fair, huge bounce house, and a mobile planetarium/Star Lab from the Perot Museum. We can't wait!!



We at Monaco Elementary wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day, Easter, and First Day of Spring!!