

# **Monaco Elementary School**

## **School Board Communication**

**March 2014**



The first week of March started out with the pitter patter of Thunder Sleet! March is definitely coming in like a lion!

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

March began with an Anti-Bullying week piggy-backed with the PTO Fun Run. Friday before break was the Fun Run Event. It appeared to be a huge success! The students worked hard on getting pledges for laps ran. Most of the students ran the required 35 laps! They had a ton of fun!

Southwest Airlines pilot, José Pacheco, has returned to MES 5th grade to share his wisdom of flight with the students. He will be coming to us weekly through March and most of April. This is part of a Southwest program offered to schools known as "Adopt a Pilot".

The second week of March was Spring Break and Daylight Savings.

Beginning right after break, 4th graders will be attending the Bloomfield One-Room Schoolhouse in Pilot Point. This was postponed because of the weather earlier in the month. The students and teachers dress in period clothes, take their lunch in pails and/or baskets, and learn what school was like for children in pioneer days.

The Morris Brothers will be joining us here at Monaco on the afternoon of the 20th. They will be encouraging our 3rd-5th graders about taking the STAAR.

Library will be hosting their annual Bluebonnet Bash. Students who have read at least 5 of the 20 books will be participating. They will partake of blue-colored food and the winning Bluebonnet book for the state of Texas will be revealed! The library will also be hosting their Spring Book Fair! This event is always a hit!

Fifth grade parents will be joining other Middle School parents for info night on the 24th and 25th. Also that night, PTO will be having their MES Family Night at Jason's Deli.

STU-CO will be very busy. They will begin their annual Penny Wars on the 24th and will go until the 28th. Pennies count more than other coins or bills, thus the war part. Grade levels will be “battling” against each other by trying to win with the most pennies while putting other coins and bills in the other grade level’s jar. The money that is raised is usually used toward a good cause.

Open House will be on the 27th at 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Our theme this year is “Passport to Egypt”. Sounds like interesting costumes that night. Also, there will be a Camp parent info night running at the same time for those parents of students who will be going on the 5th grade camp trip next year to Adventure Camp in Collin County.

We finish up the month of March with Huddle. 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 at Monaco Elementary wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day and First Day of Spring!!***