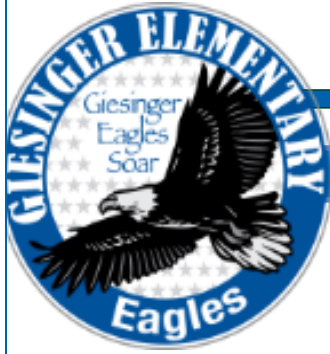


Giesinger Elementary



November 2017

Dear Giesinger Families,

October was a busy and productive month! I want to thank our students and their families for the support of the PTO catalog fundraiser and the spirit night at McDonald's this month. I also want to give thanks to our PTO for a delicious faculty luncheon on October 6th and organizing our Donuts with Divas event on October 25th.

Our third grade students performed the first music program of the year. It is always a treat to watch our students perform! Great job third graders and Mrs. Moore!

The Veteran's Day celebration will be on Friday, November 10th, at Woodforest Bank Stadium beginning at 10:00 am. Our fourth grade students will attend this ceremony and the entire community is invited. We would love for you to attend.

Giesinger's annual 5K family run/walk will be on November 11th beginning at 8 am and a school carnival will follow. I hope you and your family will make plans to join in on the fun!

Our Thanksgiving Holiday is the week of November 20th – 24th. School resumes on Monday, November 27th.

Thanksgiving is a time to remind us of how thankful we are for all you do for our school and for your commitment to your child's education!

Wishing you a wonderful holiday,

Melissa Hammond, Principal



Figure 3- Fall leaves

From Our Assistant Principal...

Your child's safety is our top priority at Giesinger Elementary. If your child rides the school bus, please remind them of our expectations of safe behavior. We teach our students to be safe by following these simple rules: follow school rules on the bus, follow the driver/monitor's instructions, stay in assigned seat, keep body and objects to yourself and inside the bus, and keep aisle clear. We teach our students to be respectful by following these simple rules and expectations: use inside voice and appropriate language, no eating, drinking, or gum chewing, and do not damage the bus. If students fail to obey the rules and expectations for the bus, this causes a safety issue and may result in loss of transportation privileges. Thank you for your help at home with the ongoing conversations of what proper bus behavior looks and sounds like. We want all of our Eagles safe and sound!

Nominations are currently open for CISD Gifted & Talented program. Although testing will not take place until February, nominations are being accepted at this time. If you are interested in nominating your child, you may want to discuss this with their teacher at conferences. Nominations will be accepted through December 20th. You may request a nomination form from your child's classroom teacher, Amanda Barton, or Amy Barber. You can also find the nomination form and other GT information on the CISD GT homepage.

Amy Barber
Assistant Principal

From Our Counselor...

I can't believe it is already November!! I know we are all thankful that this cooler weather has finally rolled in! Are your children getting enough sleep? In today's on-the-go society it is difficult to make sleep a priority. Studies have shown a child will never reach his/her highest potential in school without enough sleep. To reach optimal sleep children should have no electronics at least an hour before bedtime (This is a perfect time for reading!). Studies have also shown that any light in a child's bedroom other than a simple nightlight can also interfere with sleep. School age kids need 10-11 hours of sleep per night. Just as we make eating healthy meals and keeping our kids safe a priority, let's make getting adequate sleep a priority as well!

Our Character Pillar this month is CARING. Teachers will be looking for a student to represent their class at the Character Counts assembly at the end of the month. Caring is displaying kindness and concern for others. We have so many sweet, caring students at Giesinger. It is always such a hard decision for our teachers to choose only one student.

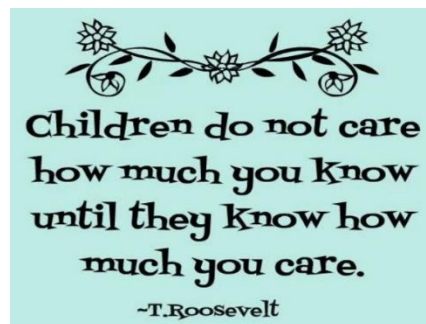


Figure 4-Children do not care how much you know until they know how much you care.

It has been so much fun visiting each classroom and reading the book One. I will be visiting classrooms based on teacher requests until around December/January when I will visit each classroom again for a guidance lesson the whole school will be given. It is so fun to interact with the students as a whole class. I hope they learn as much from me as I learn from them.

Amanda Barton
Counselor