# THE PONY EXPRESS

North Shore Elementary

February 2020

## Principal's Message:

February is a short month but it will be a very busy one. We have much to celebrate: Black History Month, the 100th Day of school and Valentine's Day. Our highlighted virtues will be Trustworthiness, Perseverance and we will review Friendliness. With so much going on, we want to maintain our primary focus, which is student success. Parents, help us make sure that our NSE Ponies are coming to school every day, trying their best, attending tutorials and practicing good study habits at home. I am so proud of the progress we have all made so far this year, but we still have a ways to go to get to the finish line.



Best Regards, Mrs. Esmeralda Perez

### Attendance, Absence, and Tardiness:

Attendance is very important! Regular attendance is directly related to academic success. So please help us by ensuring that your child attends school daily. All absences are considered unexcused unless your child brings in documentation confirming why he/she was absent. Documentation must be received by the school within 3 days of the absence in order for an absence to be considered excused. Also, every student is expected to be on time daily. School begins at 7:30am and your child is tardy at 7:40am. There will only be a 10 minute extension to student arrival time for tardies due to inclement weather.

Please make school a priority. Nothing is more important to your child's future than a good education!

# **School Messages:**

Remember, FREE Breakfast and FREE Lunch is provided for Every Student, Every Day!!!

All backpacks must be clear or mesh.

Parents are <u>only</u> allowed to come have lunch with their child on Mondays. This is also the <u>only</u> time that parents will be able to bring in outside food for the student's lunch.

Duncannon is reserved for School Bus traffic only. No cars will be permitted to enter Duncannon on either side (during the morning and after-noon).

#### Dismissal Times

3:10pm Buses

3:15pm Car Riders

3:25pm Walkers

OUR PARKING LOT AND SURROUNDING STREETS ARE NO CELL PHONE ZONES! Also, travel speed must be at a minimum. Please be aware of pedestrians in the school circle drive and all areas on and around the campus.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb.  $3^{\text{rd}}$  ,  $10^{\text{th}}$  &  $24^{\text{th}}$  - BrighterBites Fresh fruit & vegetable distribution

Feb. 4th - 100th Day of School

Feb.  $6^{\text{th}}$  - Family STREAM Night/DINOSAURS LIVE 4-6pm

Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> - Saturday Tutorials 8am-12noon

Feb. 11th - Principal Pot Luck w/Parents 11am-12:30pm

Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>- Class Valentine's Party: PreK AM 9:30-10:30am; PreK PM-5<sup>th</sup> grade 1:30-2:30 PM Friendship Dance: PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade 8:30-9:30am; 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade 9:45-10:45am

Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>- Student Holiday/Staff Development-No School

Feb. 17th- Presidents' Day—Holiday No School

Feb. 18th - Spring School Pictures

Feb.  $19^{\text{th}}$ -  $3^{\text{rd}}$  grade Field Trip to the Houston Zoo

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - EAFK Ceremony 1<sup>st</sup>—3<sup>rd</sup> grade 12:30-1:30pm; 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade 1:45-2:30pm

Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - PTA Meeting 4pm Skate Night 5-7pm at Skate Town USA

Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>—Go Texan Day!

Important Notice: School aged children (not enrolled at NSE) will not be permitted to attend campus assemblies and programs held during the school day. Your cooperation is appreciated. Also, only parents will be permitted to go to classrooms to bring birthday cupcakes (during the last 15minutes of the day). Other arrangements will have to be made for younger siblings/children.



RACING TOWARDS EXCELLENCE!