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Calendar

January

January 3 - 4th
Monday, January 17th
Wednesday, January 19th
Tuesday, January 25th
Thursday, January 27th

Student Holiday
Martin Luther King Holiday
NHE Night at Cici's
Pre-AP/AP Parent Meeting (6:30p)
PTA Meeting – Pancake Supper (6:30p)
– 3rd & 4th grades perform

February

Wednesday, February 16th
Thursday, February 17th
Monday, February 21st

NHE Night at Cici's
Six Weeks Ends (31 days)
Student Holiday



Did you know?



This is a new section that will be a continuing part of the eNews publication. A significant or interesting story will be highlighted on a regular basis in this section relating to our fellow district schools. Please read on and enjoy!

NHE Spelling Bee Winners

On December 14th the NHE Spelling Bee finished with top honors going to Chase Samuels (6th Grade) and 2nd place taken by Bryce Alford. (4th Grade). Both move on to represent Northwood Hills at the District level contest on Jan. 26th at the RISD Administration building (Bryce will be attending as Alternate). Ms. Kazdoy will be accompanying both boys at the contest and lunch of their choice afterwards.

Way to go boys!



Westwood Leads RISD Junior Highs With 4 Gold Performance Acknowledgements!

The Texas Education Agency recently awarded Gold Performance Acknowledgments (GPAs) as part of the state accountability system. GPAs go beyond the traditional school rating system to recognize campuses for high student achievement and commended rates. **Westwood earned 4 GPAs** in English Language Arts, Science, Social Studies and Attendance, **more than any other RISD junior high!** Congratulations WWJH students and staff!



Food for Thought at Northwood Hills Elementary

Link to story:

[Food for Thought...](#)

For more neighborhood stories like these, you can register at the neighborsgo.com website. [Register here by clicking on the "Sign Up Now" in the upper right corner of the website.](#)



If you have any news relating to our school district please feel free to let us know at pthrush@tx.rr.com. Please include "Did you know?" in the subject line of your email. –Thanks editor.

Upcoming NHE Night at Cici's – Support Dinner



Night Out at Cici's! NHE Support Dinner



Join us! Northwood Hills gets 10%!

Join us for lunch or dinner at Cici's Pizza (Coit & Spring Valley) on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Sign your receipt and place it in the NHE box and Cici's gives back 10% to support our PTA projects.

Next Event: December 15th

Historian Scrapbook

Historian Scrapbook!

We are collecting pictures to assemble an Historian Scrapbook for Northwood Hills Elementary! Pictures from the Walk to School Day, Fairy Tale Dress-Up Day, any of the events from Red Ribbon Week, and Bingo Night or any other school events.

Please submit your pictures to Lisa Shatz, at lisa.shatz@utdallas.edu or if you only have prints please contact Lisa and pick-up from school will be arranged.
Thank you for your support!



NHE Spring Auction!

Set Sail with NHE!!

As you are planning your holiday shopping lists, please consider a little something extra for the NHE Spring Auction. We are starting to collect wine bottles (min. \$10 value) for the popular "Wine Surprise" and would love to DOUBLE what we had last year! Also, be thinking of other items or services you could donate to the event!

Please contact Linda West (nickandsimonsmom@sbcglobal.net) or Tric Sohosky (tsoho@sbcglobal.net) for more information and drop off locations.

Thank you!

Terracycle: Waste to Products and support your school



Have you seen teenagers carrying those cute purses made out of CapriSun packs? Well, guess what... There is a company that recycles candy wrappers, Ziploc bags, Aveeno products, and more, into cool, eco-friendly products (like a bicycle chain picture frame!) AND they pay schools and nonprofits for used packaging. That's where we come in!

If this program interests you, go to <http://www.terracycle.net/>, sign up to collect items, indicate that you are benefiting NHE, they send you a prepaid shipping label, you send in your items, and they pay NHE \$.02 per item!

Their minimum shipping numbers are pretty high (500 CapriSun pouches per shipment), so it would be great if someone was willing to head up a collection site for the whole school. Let me know!

Linda West

nickandsimonsmom@sbcglobal.net

How can you support your school!?

Clip Box Tops and Labels for Education all year long!

Send into your teacher anytime!

Contest runs all year – ice cream parties for top earning classes!

Box Tops for Education



* Expiration date matters!

* **Make sure the date is visible and not in the past.**

* Don't clip too small! **Cut each box top at least 1" wide.**

* *Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, Juicy Juice and more!*

Labels for Education







* **Full barcode must be visible** (see picture).

* But we don't need the entire label!

* Campbell's, Swanson, Prego, V8, Spaghettios and Pepperidge Farm.

Earn funding for NHE on your everyday purchases!

	Tie your Target REDcard to NHE at Target.com .
	Link your Tom Thumb Reward card to charity #3797 .
	Scan barcode with your Kroger Plus card at the start of each school year. Print the barcode here!
	Shop with NHE ID #70096135 at Office Depot .

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Join NHE PTA

Join NHE PTA Today!

Family Membership \$16

Single Membership \$9

Local dues go to NHE, and benefit YOUR children, teachers, and YOU:
Just to name a couple, did you know TX PTA members receive:

14% off T-mobile monthly fees
5% off Southwest Airlines Travel

Join TODAY and find out more!

Thank you!

Questions? Elba Morgan-Knox, epmk@sbcglobal.net

NEW Online Volunteer System!



RISD launched a new Volunteer Online Application for the 2010-11 school year. Prospective volunteers can access the Volunteer Application by navigating to the RISD website at <http://www.risd.org/www.risd.org>. Click on **Community-Volunteer Opportunities**. At this point, you can elect to proceed in English or Spanish, and any RISD school can be selected as a preference. The information submitted will be used not only for the background check, but also allow schools to contact approved volunteers for their specific school needs.

This application will only be active for the current school year, through 6/30/11, at which time it will be purged and volunteers will be asked to submit new information for the following school year. NHE is very appreciative of ALL of our volunteers, and appreciate your cooperation and understanding during RISD's transition to this new system!

NEW! At NHE this year! PTA en Espanol!

NHE will now have general meetings in Spanish the Friday morning after the MONTHLY General meetings. The same information covered in the General meetings will now be covered in PTA en Espanol meetings, as well as a Q&A period for Spanish-speaking parents/caregivers. Please forward this article to anyone you know that could benefit from this information.

The next meeting will be scheduled in the NHE Library.

Nuevo Este Año en NHE! PTA en Espanol!

Están invitados a asistir las reuniones en Espanol. Haga Preguntas, y Aprenda informacion acerca de la escuela. Las reuniones solamente serán mensuales.

Los Viernes por la mañana en la biblioteca.

Regístrese en la oficina y la junta será en la biblioteca de 8:15-9:00 am.

If you like this E-News, you should check out our website...

www.nhepta.org !

Stay informed and updated with NHE information. You can view calendar of events and meetings, as well as general school information. Bookmark it today!

Quick Links

Northwood Hills Elementary School - www.risd.org/schools/nwhe/index.htm

Richardson Independent School District (RSID) - <http://www.risd.org/>

Westwood Junior High - www.risd.org/schools/wwjh/index.htm

Richardson High School - www.risd.org/schools/rhs/index.htm

