

Dates to Remember ... at a glance

Wednesday, 3/9

March 14 to March 18

Saturday, 3/19

Thursday, 3/24

March 25 to April I

Monday, 4/4

Pieces of Gold - Memorial Auditorium @ 7 pm

Leesville Elementary School Spirit Week

City Serve Campus Beautification Day

Snow Make-Up Day

Spring Break!!!!!

Return to school for Staff and Students

Welcome to Leesville's New Talent

Leesville Elementary School is very excited to welcome its newest talent to the roster. After completing her student teaching in the Second Grade and then in the Kindergarten with Ms. Simpson, and a long term Instructional Assistant post with Beth Childress and our AU I class, Ms. Sara Cranford has earned the opportunity to pick



up the responsibilities and leadership of a First Grade class here at Leesville.

Her enthusiasm and creativity has already been contagious around the school and we are certain that great things will be sprouting from this young group of Leesville Cubs through the rest of the year.

A Philanthropic Lesson for Leesville Elementary School Students

Last Wednesday, March 2nd, one of our own 3rd grade teacher, Paige Madtes, presented to the staff about a



wonderful project and an amazing opportunity for the Leesville community. Please read on to learn more...

Last year, I had the opportunity to go to Belize and teach 4th grade, assist with necessary school repairs, and lead an afterschool program for the students at Holy Cross School. Holy Cross is the only source of education for the children in the community of San Mateo and runs solely off of donations and volunteers throughout the world. This community has been recognized by the Red Cross, as one of the most "at-risk" communities for fire, disease, and hurricane in all of Belize.

Over Spring Break, I will be returning to Holy Cross to continue working with the children in this community. There are many materials that the school lacks and any donation of the following items would be hugely beneficial to the success of these children. This week, there will be a donation bin in the front lobby to collect supplies for this worthy and wonderful school.

We are collecting Wide Tip Permanent Markers, Clear, Wide Packing Tape, 2 Pocket Folders, Composition Books, Book Bags (New or Gently Used), Scissors, Pencils, Crayons, Pens, Index Cards, Staples, and Sharpies. Any school supplies that are purchased from Staples are eligible for tax exemption. Quote customer number 2370273423, which is considered valid for in store purchases and online.

Please Drive Safely

The photo featured here is a casualty of the carpool circle. This defenseless cone was simply trying to do its job of keeping our cars circulating through in an orderly fashion.



While I know that the schedule combined with the number of students traveling home by car causes the occasional back-up and inconvenience, Please be sure to drive mindfully and set the right example for our children.



A Week to Remember!

We are long overdue for a Spirit Week at Leesville Elementary School, and I believe that the school has a really fun outline for the week of March 14 to March 18.

For <u>Monday, March 14</u>, what's better than rolling out of bed on a Monday morning only to spend the day in your <u>comfiest jammies</u>, while involved in some outstanding learning opportunities?

The fun had just begun back on March 2nd. Who can really limit the celebration of Dr. Seuss to just one day? Well, not Leesville Elementary School, which is why we plan to have Dr. Seuss' craziest characters throughout the school on <u>March 15th for Dr. Seuss character day</u>.

Avast Ye Mateys!... It will be all hands on deck on <u>March 16th</u> when we are all a bunch of the best of the best Pirate students for <u>Pirate Day...</u> ARRRG!!!!

On <u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 17</u>, we will combine the power of Leesville elementary School with the fun of St. Patrick's Day with a total <u>Green Out</u>. Whether your green is for St. Pats or to show your <u>LES Pride</u>, there is no doubt that Leesville is taking the idea of <u>"Going Green"</u> to a new level.

Then, finally on <u>Friday, March 18</u>, the Leesville Elementary School community will channel its inner Superhero with <u>Superhero Day</u>. No doubt that LES will be the safest place around on March 18!

School Spirit Week is always a great time, so start getting those outfits ready... It's going to be fun!

Already a Call for Volunteers for EOG Proctors

We need parent volunteers for our End Of Grade testing! With parent volunteers as proctors, we are able to leave our Instructional Assistants in the K-2 classrooms, thereby not interrupting the school day for our K-2 students. Willing volunteers should contact Mary Millan (mmillan@wcpss.net or 919-870-4199) with the following information:

EOG date/dates you're sure you can volunteer, EOG training day/time you're prefer, Email for contact purposes

EOG Dates

May 26, 9:15-1:00, May 27, 9:15-1:00, June 1, 9:15-1:00, June 2, 9:15-1:00, June 6, 9:15-1:00

Parent Trainings - choose one

Days: May 16, 18, or 20 Times: 8:00am, 12:00pm, or 4:00pm