

Benignus Leopards Newsletter  
October



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Our school year has gotten off to a wonderful start. I hope everyone enjoyed our Open House and PTO meeting. Children are truly a source of happiness. Every day with a child is definitely a new day. Children remind us constantly of their innocence, honesty and unconditional love and trust. We at Benignus are truly fortunate to teach and love your children on a daily basis. The following quote reminds us of the reason being an educator is such a rewarding profession.

"The three grand essentials of happiness are: something to do, something to love, and something to hope for".

Children provide all three of these essentials every day of the week.

October Dates

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| Thursday, October 1     | Superintendent's Dinner Wunderlich Intermediate<br>6:30 pm Pizza will be served free of charge |
| Monday, October 12      | Student Holiday/Teacher - Parent Conference Day<br>Schedules to follow                         |
| Monday, October 19 - 30 | Benignus Book Fair   |
| Thursday, October 22    | Picture Day  |
| Thursday, October 22    | Candidates' Forum for Voters<br>@ Klein High School 7:00 p.m.                                  |
| Tuesday, October 27     | Book Fair Family Night 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm   |
| Monday, October 26 - 30 | Red Ribbon Week  |
| Friday, October 30      | Treat Day from PTO   |



### 2009-2010 Parent/Teacher Conference Day

Monday, October 12 - Student Holiday and Parent/Teacher Conference.

Please watch for a note coming home from your child's teacher to sign up for a parent/teacher conference. This will be an individual conference between you and your child's teacher to discuss his/her academic performance.

### Candidates' Forum for Voters

The Klein ISD will sponsor a trustee candidates' forum for voters on Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Klein High School Auditorium at 16715 Stuebner Airline Road.



### Transportation

Parents please remember to send a note with your child any time there is a change in transportation. It is best to send a note with your child in the morning. If the weather presents a problem late in the afternoon and you want to pick up your child instead of having your child walk, it would be best to call the front office and change your student to a car rider. You can remain in your car to pick up your student. The car rider line is long, and I appreciate your patience. Parents please be reminded to remain in your car and arrive at 3:15 if your child is a car rider. Also, if you come to school to pick up your child as a walker or bicycle rider, please help your child reinforce our safety rules by walking on the sidewalk instead of in the driveway. This helps your child stay safe even if you are not able to be here as a walker or bike rider. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. I would also like to ask for help from parents encouraging bicycle riders to drive on correct routes. Cutting through the field is very dangerous. I have had reports of many students riding in inappropriate areas that could cause them harm.



### V-Soft

We will continue scanning driver's licenses in the front office for all visitors. This is a security measure for all students. This system looks for major offenses. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.



### Report Cards

As report cards come out, please remember to compliment your child on his/her accomplishments and offer assistance in areas of concerns. Report cards come out October 30, 2009. Remember children learn what they live and it is our responsibility to encourage them daily even if the successes are small. Tutoring will begin for those students with a 74 or lower in reading and/or math in grades 1 & 2 and TAKS tutoring for grades 3 - 5. A tutoring notice will be sent home when the dates are finalized. This is very beneficial to students.



### Benignus Library Book Fair

Please support our Benignus library program by participating in our Fall Book Fair October 19 - 30. The children will have the opportunity to preview all of the wonderful books and they will bring home a preview sheet for you to view. The students will be provided a class shopping time as well as other times during the school day. We will also have a Family Night on October 27 from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm



### PTO Fall Fundraiser

We want to thank you for your support of Benignus and our Benignus PTO by participating in our fall fundraiser. The PTO fundraiser benefits our students by providing programs for our students, teacher materials, and various events provided for the students. Your support is always appreciated.



### Parental Responsibility - Custody Issues

Please assist us in the handling of custody issues. It is the responsibility of the parents to provide a certified copy of the court order affecting any other person's right to their children. Should you have any questions, please call Misty Kainer at (832)484-7705.



### October 31<sup>st</sup> Dress Code Issues

Students may not wear any sort of costume to school on October 30, 2009. While we recognize Halloween as an event, Klein schools do not celebrate Halloween with a classroom party. Also, please do not bring any sort of candy and/or treat that day. We have designated holiday parties.

