

SMA News and Notes

Website: www.islandfoundation.esc2.net

Volume 5, Issue 2

October 2011

Dear SMA parents,

It has been a busy six weeks; and we are pleased with the success of our students. I have included the honor roll in the newsletter. The statistics are:

Grade	All A's	All A's & B's
5	24%	50%
6	26%	35%
7	24%	37%
8	24%	34%

I would love to paint a rosy picture that all kids are doing great, but we are concerned about the 11% that failed one or more of their classes. Several are new to SMA and may take a little time to get into the routine, but that is not the main reason we see students fail. The teachers almost always attribute the low six weeks grades to incomplete and missing assignments. Many students received a zero for an assignment, even when given numerous reminders and extended time. You can't put a grade on a paper that is never turned in! Occasionally poor attendance is a factor.

I want to remind parents that we have tutoring and study hall after school Monday- Thursday. If you are not pleased with the report card, please encourage or insist that they attend. Please

Let us know if there is anything else we can do to help.

Sincerely,
Barbara Beeler

A very big THANK YOU to Claudia Detore, Paul and Michele Ortega, and Perry Pollino for our beautiful landscaping. They have done so much to improve the appearance of our entrance and the front façade of the building. Your hard work is much appreciated!



MUSIC FROM THE MOVIES



Join the SMA 5th and 6th Graders for their first choir performance of the year. October 18th @ 6:30. Students should be here by 6:15.



7th Texas History

October 14th is "movie night" to help raise money for the field trip to Huntsville and earn extra credit points in class. Mrs. Nuckols is sending out an email containing more details.



October 17th and 18th UIL tryouts will be held during 6th period for **first semester** theatre arts students for the One Act Play, "All in Disguise"



Is this the way students should dress for school? It is, if it is for a good cause!

Student Council News:

Student Council raised funds to aide students in the Bastrop area who lost their homes to the wildfires. Three events, a raffle, snow cone sales, and violate dress code day resulted in a donation of \$704.01.

Are You a Military Family:

We may be eligible for additional funding from the Department of Defense if you are in any branch of the military. We will be sending home a request for this information. This does include civilian employees.

ALSO: Check out this website www.tutor.com

The military provides live free on line tutoring for military dependents.

Class Notes:

6th Language Arts

Students will receive rubrics for book projects on October 3rd.

Book projects will be presented on October 18th and 20th.

Second six weeks are **written** book projects.

5th Grade

Students are starting to run out of pens and pencils. "Stolen" pencils are usually found all over the floors every day.

5th grade book report #3 is due by Oct. 14; book report #4 is due by Nov. 3rd.

More Sports opportunities?

I have been approached by parents interested in starting a swim team and a golf team. If you are interested in either sport, send an email to Barbara Beeler @

bbeeler@seashore.esc2.net so we can gauge interest.



Math Club and Math Competitions

Math Club will start next Wednesday after school.

Sign up with Mrs. McIntyre.

October 15th – Math Counts @ Flour Bluff

October 28&29 – Math Tournament in San Antonio



Builders' Club

The SMA Builders' Club is running a clothing drive now. Please bring in clothing, blankets, backpacks, and sleeping bags. We will donate them to Timons Ministries which will provide the items to needy and homeless in Corpus Christi. All items should be brought to Mr. Rourk's Room #119.

PE News:

Students are busy little pumpkins working on volleyball and football skills. Red Ribbon Week will be coming up soon so look for more information on that topic!

Health News:

Health class will be hosting the Pumpkin Carving and Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Also, students will be learning new ways to prepare their pumpkin seeds.

Athletic News:

The 7th and 8th grade volleyball season will be wrapping up this month. The 6th grade volleyball team's season is still going strong with many more games to come. Basketball season is coming up with try-outs beginning on Wednesday, October 19, after school from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. All 6th – 8th graders interested will need a completed doctor's physical before they can attend try-outs. Start warming up now! All game and practice schedules as well as physical forms are posted online at the SMA website under Athletics.

THANKS to Maria Mayden for all her assistance with the concession stand this year. These funds help to make our athletic program possible. The extra assistance from Dawna Nims, Deb Burns, and Rick Mayden make a big difference in our teams' competitiveness!

AND.....

Special Thanks to the parents who have helped make the sixth grade team a reality this year. Thanks to David and Marsha Burkett, Jennifer Chancellor, Craig Illausky, and Jonathan Fuller



October Lunch

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 Ft. Long, Corn Dog, Baked Fries, Corn on the Cob, Lite Fruit Cocktail	4 Ravioli with Marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Orange Wedge	5 Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Country Gravy, Steamed Carrots Lite Pear Half	6 Grilled Ham & Cheese, Mac n' Cheese, Steamed Corn, Strawberry Jello	7 Low Fat Pepperoni Pizza, Baked Fries, Carrot Sticks, Ranch Dressing, Pudding
10 Grilled Chicken on a Bun, Baked Beans, Corn on the Cob, Sugar Free Cookie	11 Spaghetti 'n Meatballs, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Orange Wedges	12 Beef Tacos, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Chocolate Pudding	13 Chicken Fried Steak, Gravy Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Lite Pears	14 Chicken Alfredo, Penne Pasta, Steamed Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Jello
17 Chicken Strips with Country Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Steamed Corn, Lite Peaches	18 Chicken Parmesan Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Jello	19 Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Chocolate Pudding	20 Foot Long Hot Dog, Potato Wedges, Corn on the Cob, Sugar Free Cookie	21 Cheeseburger Crinkled Cut Potatoes, Hamburger Salad, Lite Peaches
24 Pot Pie, Mashed Potatoes, Corn on the Cob, Orange Jello	25 Beef Tacos, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Chocolate Pudding	26 1/2 day No lunch	27 Cheese Quesadillas, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Cookie	28 Cheeseburger Crinkled Cut Potatoes Hamburger Salad, Peach Slices
31 Ft. Long, Corn Dog, Baked Fries, Corn on the Cob, Lite Fruit Cocktail	1 Ravioli with Marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Orange Wedge	2 Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Country Gravy, Steamed Carrots Lite Pear Half	3 Grilled Ham & Cheese, Mac n' Cheese, Steamed Corn, Strawberry Jello	4 Low Fat Pepperoni Pizza, Baked Fries, Carrot Sticks, Ranch Dressing, Pudding



Pumpkin Carving and Decorating Contest

On Monday, Oct. 31, 2011, bring in your carved or decorated pumpkin to the gym before 8:30am. Pumpkins will be judged and winners will be selected in the following categories:

Age groups - 4th grade and under, 5th and 6th graders, 7th and 8th graders,
students over 8th grade, and adults.

Carving will be judged on:

1. **Best Overall (Places 1st, 2nd, and 3rd)**
2. **Most Original (Places 1st, 2nd, and 3rd)**
3. **Scariest (Places 1st, 2nd, and 3rd)**
4. **Happiest (Places 1st, 2nd, and 3rd)**

If you should have any questions, please contact Coach Haney at thaney@seashore.esc2.net

ALL "A" Honor Roll

Grade 5

Ella Atherton
Tristan Cardon
Richard De La Rosa
Anthony Gaines
James Kernan
Mia Moore
Tatiana Ortiz
Matthew Pate
Catherine Shaw
Elizabeth Shaw

Grade 6

CJ Evaristo
Olivia Fuller
Jared Haney
Kenny Ho
Izabella Hockmuller
Jesse Huang
Ben Koutsoumbaris
Meredith Marcum
Hannah Miller
Madeline Ryan
Hallie Trial

Grade 7

Aubrey Banda
Celeste Branstrom
Hannah Curry
Isabel Gaines
Patricia Kernan
Maggie Libby
Blake McIntyre
Kelsey Morris
Zane Ortega
Shelby Reed

Grade 8

Hayley Campbell
Michael Curtin
Caitlyn Forrester
Mindy Mayden
Cody Ortega
Jenna Thompson
Makalia Vasconcellos
Collin Willis
AC Wood
Kristiana Woods

A/B Honor Roll

Grade 5

Mary-Elizabeth Blue
Derik Boles
Tatsuki Brophy
Ryan Brown
Niko Bullis
Alyson Carl
Ryan Carlson
Austin Cartwright
Elizabeth Duran
Will Gazin
Chris Kunkle
Logan Lang
Marcus Morales
Chayton Morris
Satori Munoz
Joey Noble
Skyla Rodriguez
Andrew Shaw
Cougar Taylor
Sally Tonkin
Mikayla Townsend

Grade 6

Serafina Chancellor
Chase Dial
Tyler Freels
Natalie Garcia
Hanna Illausky
Wyatt Johnson
Drew Lang
Alisha Lewis
Ashley Moore
Evelyn Moore
Kellum Puls
Will Stirling
Femke Tjon-A-Joe
Destiny Wilson
Blaine Young

Grade 7

Sandy Bernal
Megan Bruner
Mason Dorsey
Danielle Epps
Dani Finzel
Angel Gaines
Jack Grassedonio
Elissa Kelley

Grade 7 cont.

Briane Leeton
Amanda Mangan
Haley Morgan
Micha Ortiz
Jack Pelleteri
Katie Standifer
Brianna Tieperman

Grade 8

Ian Berry
Abby Burns
McKenzie Graham
Kendra Grundhauser
Heather Hanson
Kristin Kinsman
Reed Miller
Brayden Nuckols
Josh Ordonez
Isaiah Parra
Kelly Robbins
Savannah Stirling
Miranda Stottlemeyer
Alexa Taylor
Angel Tosado Nieves