



HILL FARM ELEMENTARY

BRYANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 19, 2016

Calling ALL Parents! We have great opportunities planned for Hill Farm parents to come out and learn more about the learning experiences at Hill Farm Elementary. We want to be sure EVERY parent has an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher. If you have not scheduled a personal conference time, it is not too late! Call our office today and get a time!

Parent/Teacher Conferences Thursday, October 20th 2:30 – 8:00 p.m.

During our conference evening, we will also have **TWO** opportunities for all parents, grandparents and community members to come to our annual **Report to the Public**. Come to our cafeteria at either

5:00 p.m. OR 7:00 p.m.

All students with parents/guardians attending a personal conference and/or attending one of our parent meetings will have their name entered into a drawing for some really cool prizes!

We love to share with our parents all of the great things happening at Hill Farm! Come join us!

Early Dismissal @ 1:50 , Thursday, October 20th: All buses, daycares, B&G Club will run regular routes starting at 1:50. Car riders – be sure to get your child's transportation arranged for early dismissal.

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

ALL FLU SHOT FORMS DUE MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

Didn't get your child's flu shot form? Stop in our office during parent conference night to pick up a form. You can fill it out and leave it with our secretary!

Picture Re-Take Day – October 25th! The photographer will be at Hill Farm on this day to take pictures of any students who were absent on picture day, new students, students who were not able to order photos but want to, or if you received a defective packet. Order envelopes are available in the office. If students received a defective packet, they must have their packet of photos with them to return to the photographer.

Special Announcement: Music and Acting Club will NOT meet this Thursday, October 20th due to conferences and the meeting is **cancelled for Thursday, October 27th** due to the second and third grade music program. The fun will resume on Thursday, November 3rd!

BUS SAFETY WEEK OCTOBER 17TH

Flashing Red, Kids Ahead! EVERYDAY is Bus Safety week for our most precious cargo – our students! This is a good week to remind ourselves of how quickly tragedy happens when we are not using cautious driving around school buses, in school zones and in school driveways when students are present. Help keep our children safe!

Remember – NO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL ZONES!

Interested in being a substitute?

Bryant Public Schools has partnered with Kelly Educational Staffing (KES) for our substitute teacher, paraprofessional and clerical needs. KES handles all the aspects of our substitutes including hiring, training and scheduling. Advantages for substitutes include access to medical insurance, weekly pay, a bonus plan, and summer employment, if interested. To apply, contact Kelly Services at (501) 224-0090 or 1324@kellyservices.com.

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Volunteers Needed!

Hill Farm students and staff look forward to having volunteers help with all sorts of activities throughout each year. Your involvement is important to us and there are ways for everyone to be a part of Hill Farm. One of our volunteer needs is to have a volunteer to sit with a class for a short period of time – usually about an hour. Occasionally, our teachers will have a conference/meeting scheduled during class time that they need to attend. If you are available at any time to help with this, please go to the link below for more information about our volunteer program and to sign up to volunteer. goo.gl/yBDqps

Archery Reminder for all 4th and 5th grade students:

Hill Farm Archery tryouts will be held after school on **Tues., October 25th.**

If you are interested in trying out for the Hill Farm Archery team, please have your parent/guardian send Coach Wood a written note stating permission to tryout. The note must include the student's name, grade, and teacher's name. **Students must be signed up by Oct. 18th in order for the appropriate waiver paper work to be signed and returned by Oct. 21st prior to tryouts.**

Active Club Grades 1-5, Starting Now!

Active Club has started for students that are participating in the Little Rockers Marathon. Go online to sign up first then come to the gym to meet Coach Wood at 7:30 each Wednesday morning, weather permitting, to start accumulating the 25.2 miles required prior to the marathon on March 4th.

www.littlerockmarathon.com

Morning Drop Off: Front doors open at 7:20 a.m. Students cannot be dropped off/let out of the car before this time. There is no one to supervise students before 7:20 a.m. Students can only be let out of cars from the right lane so that they will not be in the lane of traffic. No left lane drop offs.

Afternoon Pick up: Kindergarten students only can be picked up at the back drive at 3:15. Grades 1-5 will dismiss at 3:25 to be picked up in the front drive. If a Kindergarten student has an older sibling, they will dismiss in the front with their sibling. Please remember that we cannot have parents/adults walking up to the front doors and requesting students as we are dismissing car riders. This is for the safety of all of our students so we can help insure the students are released to the correct person. Please help us get students dismissed safely by staying in your car and coming through the car line each afternoon. Thanks!

Transportation Changes: It is important that students follow a regular routine at dismissal each day. This helps both students and adults remember where they are to go and to get them there safely. However, there are times when parents must change transportation. **If there is a change in your child's transportation, please notify your child's teacher in advance if at all possible.** If the change is unexpected, you may call our office to let us know of the changes. **All transportation changes must be made no later than 2:30 p.m.** This will allow us time to notify your child and teachers of the change.

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