



HARMONY SCHOOL OF SCIENCE-AUSTIN

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Dear HSS Parents and Students,

Students will be taking the MOCK STAAR Test Monday, November 16th thru Wednesday, November 18th. The schedule is below:

Mon., Nov. 16th - 4th Writing & 5th Science

Tues., Nov. 17th - Math for 3rd, 4th, & 5th

Wed., Nov. 18th - Reading for 3rd, 4th & 5th

Lunch times:

11:20-11:50 2nd-3rd

11:53-12:23 K-1st

12:26-12:56 4th-5th

Attention All Students: We will raffle bikes at the end of the 2nd nine weeks who have perfect attendance by grades K-1, 2-3, and 4-5. Make sure you come to school every day and on time!

Harmony School of Science would like to offer gift cards to students and families that refer a friend or family member to become a new student and enroll at HSS. Please see an administrator for more information.

Home visits contribute to Harmony's success with student/parent and teacher relationship. If you would like to schedule a home visit with your child's teacher please send them an email or call the front office.

Calling all parents who are willing to volunteer their time to HSS as a Crossing Guard. If interested in morning or afternoon shifts please contact Mrs. Molina @ tmolina@harmonytx.org.

All items in the Lost and Found will be donated by November 20th. Please come by in the morning or after dismissal to look for your student's items.



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PTO ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Chance to order HSS Jacket Order Forms, ends Nov 20 at 3pm

The jackets are navy blue fleece zip-up jackets with the Harmony logo. These fleece jackets are warm, wash well and meet dress code requirements for HSS and can be worn both inside and outside of school. The jacket costs \$30, and can be personalized with a student's name for an additional \$10. Available in sizes Youth XS-XL and Adult S-XL. We must receive orders for at least 35 jackets for this order to be placed. Order forms can be found in the Front Lobby area or you can order online at http://www.hssaustincto.org/?page_id=659

Family Skate Night, November 18

Come join the fun at Playland Skate Center on Wednesday, November 18, 6-8:30pm. \$6 gets you skates and entrance into the rink. You can upgrade to roller blades for an additional \$3. There is no charge for those who are not skating. There is also a play/climbing structure for children under the age of 5 years (additional cost applies). This event is open to friends and family and a portion of the monies paid that evening will be donated to the school. Playland Skate Center is located at 8822 McCann Dr., Austin 78757. Thanks for your support!

Winter Wonderland Family Dance, December 4

Kindergarten through 5th Grade students and their families are invited to come to the Winter Family Dance on December 4! Held in the HSS Cafeteria, there will be a live DJ, fun and concessions! The dance will be 5-7:30pm and a parent or a guardian over the age of 18 **must** accompany the child during the dance. Advanced tickets are available (Nov 17-Dec 2) and cost \$7 per child for non-PTO members/\$5 per child for PTO members. Payment for the tickets can be online or placed in the PTO Box in the Front Lobby area by Wednesday, Dec 2 at 3pm. Tickets can then be picked up at Ticket Table at the dance. Tickets will cost \$10 per child at the door. Adults and children under the age of 3 years are free.

Harmony Teacher Ornaments

Looking for Holiday gift ideas for your child's teachers? Check out the Holiday Ornaments found in the Front Lobby! Each ornament will have a teacher's name and wish on them. Please deliver any gifts directly to the teachers! You can also check out the Teachers' Favorites binder in the Front Lobby for ideas. If you have any questions, please email hssptoprez@gmail.com.



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Box Tops 4 Education for HSS

After counting up all of the Box Tops submitted, HSS should receive approximately \$390 for our Fall Box Tops! The top three submitting classes will get a party for their enthusiastic support. The first place class was 5B and they will receive an ice cream party! The second place class was 4A and they will receive a donut party. And the third place class was KA and they will receive a cookie party. However, the number of Box Tops that were submitted without a section or teacher's name would have won third place, so please remember to put identifying information on your Box Tops submissions! And remember, we collect Box Tops year-round, so you continue collecting and submitting those Box Tops!

And a big thanks to everyone who came out to play Bingo with us last week!

LOITERING: TARDY PICK-UP POLICY

For late pick-up or loitering, we will follow our policy for class and school tardiest. If a student is picked up late, the following consequences will apply:

- 5--Saturday Detention
- 10—1 day In School Suspension
- 15—1 day Out of School Suspension
- 20—3 Days Out of School Suspension

If a student is picked up after 3:30pm and he/she is not in clubs or tutoring, he/she is considered late to pick-up. Each time a student receives a consequence for being left after 3:30pm pm, the school is obligated to contact CPS. If a student is left 20 times or more, we are obligated to call the police as well. The same applies for students in clubs or tutoring that are picked up after 4:25. Please pick up your students in a timely fashion!

DISMISSAL—PLEASE REFER TO THE SCHOOL’S WEBSITE FOR DISMISSAL NEWS

Please remember that the neighboring businesses have asked our parents and students not to park in or walk through their parking lot. If HSS parents found parked there they will be towed. As a suggestion parents dropping off and picking up your child using the driving car lane method is safest. If you are a walker parent, please use the cross walk. We also ask that you slow down and refrain from using technology.



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DRESS CODE

Parents please review the handbook for student dress code. Many students are forgetting their belts for grades 3-5. Additionally, some students are wearing cargo shorts, jean pants and capris pants, none of these are permitted. For young ladies skirts are not allowed. Mohawks or spiked hair are not permitted. We are starting to see boots which are not permitted. **New uniform shirts have arrived. All students should be wearing the school uniform shirt red polos will no longer be permitted.** We have all sizes including Adult sizes. Shoes must not have lights or wheels. The cold weather is upon us and as a reminder hoodies and pull overs are not permitted in class. Please remember to label all your students belongings: water bottles, lunch boxes, back packs.

DROP OFF

Students arriving to school after 8:00am should enter the building through the front office. Please do not drive to back to drop them off. Student will be marked unexcused tardy if there is no parent or note with excuse.

Please see the Letter below from our Music Department.

Dear Parents,

The holidays are around the corner and I am super excited! I wanted to inform you that each grade has been assigned to sing specific songs that they will be performing in the Winter Concert. The shows will be running for two nights in December (See information below for exact dates and song details). We will be practicing the material in class in the upcoming weeks, but because class time is limited with the students I am hoping that you could also help in practicing the material with them at home as well.

Thank you for your support and looking forward to seeing you at the show! Also, concessions will be available before the show and during intermission. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me: ldiamond@harmonytx.org.

Cheers,
Ms. Diamond

Date Information: Dec 9th (Kindergarten-2nd) & Dec 10th (3rd-5th)

Location: HSS Cafeteria

Song List:

K-1st: Jingle Bell Rock, Frosty the Snowman

2nd-3rd: Frosty the Snowman, Jingle Bell Rock & Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

4th-5th: Jingle Bells, Frosty the Snowman & Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

*Additional solos are in consideration



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