

# KENNEDY ELEMENTARY

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## ADMINISTRATION

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## A note from the Counselor's corner.....

Parents I will talk to your children about how important is for them to know, to practice and specially to master how to be Trust-worthy.

- **Be honest:** Don't lie, cheat, or steal.
- **Be reliable:** Keep your promises.
- **Have the courage...**to do what's right , even when it seems difficult.
- **Be a good friend...** and don't betray a trust.

## Word of the month:

### TRUSTWORTHINESS

*Ms. Belton*

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Here we are, the beginning of March and spring is just around the corner. Only 20 more days until the first official day of spring! Will all of you be as glad as I am to see the warm weather and longer hours of daylight the month of March will bring? Don't forget to set your clocks ahead on Sunday, March 13, as we "Spring Ahead" into Daylight Savings Time. I always look forward to this time of year and I trust that many of you will welcome spring as much as I do! The Kennedy Elementary community is commit-

ted to providing children in 1st and 2nd grade with an academically challenging program in a nurturing and supportive environment. Our goal is to teach children to become independent learners and to help them apply skills developed in the primary grades. Kennedy staff, in partnership with parents and the larger Terrell community, delivers a rich and varied program designed to prepare children to excel as students and to become life-long learners ready for a changing world.

Parent involvement at Kennedy is an integral part of the school's culture's.

We encourage you to attend every meeting / function that have been planned specially for you the parent. On March 1st from 6:00—8:00 p.m., Kennedy Elementary will hold "Open House". We invite you to come join us !

Spring Break will run from March 14—18. Classes will resume on March 21th. Whether you are vacationing or spending time at home, I hope your week is filled with relaxation and fun.

Sincerely,

*Dwight Malone*

## A note from the Assistant Principal.....

March brings us my favorite season: spring! I love how everything seems to awaken and revive itself; we see bright colors and feel warm sunshine . . . it makes me happy! I want each of you to enjoy yourselves as spring arrives and to take a moment to observe how nature comes alive. Go outside. Can you find: a brightly colored flower? a chirping bird? a butterfly? Take a partner observer with you. Did you find the same flowers? How many birds did you hear? How were they different? Were you able to watch the butterfly come out of his chrysalis? What happened?

March also brings us Dr. Seuss's birthday. (He's one of my favorite authors!)

His whimsical writings and illustrations make me giggle with delight. A few of my favorite Dr. Seuss titles are Oh, the Places You'll Go, Green Eggs and Ham, I Can Read with My Eyes Shut, and Yertle the Turtle. I enjoy reading his books aloud to anyone who will listen. Who is your favorite author? What makes him/her your favorite? What are your favorite books? I encourage you to continue reading. "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." ---Dr. Seuss

Thanks,

*Melissa Nichols*

## Mark Your Calendar

### March Events

*1st ... Open House*

*14th—18th ... Spring Break*

*24th ... Progress Reports*

### Coming Up in April.....

*7th... Career Day*

*8th ... Early Release 12:00 p.m.*

*21st ... Report Cards*

## FYI

- Classroom Newsletters—Every Monday
  - Graded Papers—Every Tuesday
- Visiting School: We would like to remind all parents/guests upon entering the building to bring picture ID.
  - Stop by the office to sign in and sign out before leaving.
  - Place your visitors/volunteer badge in a visible location on oneself.
  - Please dress appropriately for the school. Be modest as not to distract.

### A message from our Box Top coordinator, Susan Young— JFK Music Teacher.....

The power of ONE is great. The power of ONE can make a huge difference. Each box top that you contribute to the school earns 10 cents towards helping us purchase much needed educational supplies. So far this year we have raised nearly \$500! Will you help us meet our \$1,000 goal? Will you be the power of ONE making the difference? When sending in box tops please check the expiration date and place them in a baggie with your child's name and teacher's name written on it. Classes can earn a pizza party reward once they reach the 1,000 box top goal. Yes, it's possible! Ms. McBride, Mrs. DePass, and Ms. Smith's classes have reached that goal already and they are working towards their 2,000 goal!

If you have any questions about the BoxTops for Education program you may contact me at [susan.young@terrellisd.org](mailto:susan.young@terrellisd.org) or visit [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)

Thanks!

*Susan Young*

JFK Music Teacher