TIPPS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TITLE I SCHOOL **KARI HOUGH, PRINCIPAL** **DECEMBER 7, 2016**

Important Dates

Dec.	**13**	Holiday Music Program – 6:00 pm
Dec.	**16**	Holiday Class Parties – see flyer
Dec. 19 – Jan. 2		Winter Holiday Break
Jan.	**3**	School resumes for Students & Staff
Jan.	**13**	End of 2nd Nine Weeks
Jan.	**16**	Martin Luther King Holiday
Jan.	**20**	Chuck – E- Cheese Fundraiser

7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE PEOPLE

Habit #1	**Be Proactive**
Habit #2	**Begin with the end in mind – Activity Page for you to do at home with your student is attached to the newsletter**
Habit #3	**Put first things first**
Habit #4	**Think win-win**
Habit #5	**Seek first to understand, Then to be understood**
Habit #6	**Synergize**
Habit #7	**Sharpen the Saw**

The Leader in Me

Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

The Holiday Parties are scheduled for Friday, December 16th. Another flyer with all of the party information is attached. Please review the information carefully and return your paper to receive a "Visitor Pass".

If you plan to check your student out of school after their Holiday Party, you will sign them out in the homeroom class and receive a ticket. You MUST present the ticket as you exit the building.

Due to space limitations, we cannot accommodate any siblings or strollers in the classrooms. This is a special time for you to enjoy with your student.

Looking ahead to January, 2017, we will begin our morning announcements around 8:40 am with instruction beginning promptly at 8:45 am. If your student arrives at 8:45 or after, they will be marked tardy. Any student arriving by car will need to be walked in to the front office by the parent with the parent signing the student into school.

Our Title I Survey will be sent home in January, 2017. We will provide more information after the first of the year!

Thank you again for your continued support!

Ms. Hough

SMENCILS ON SALE

The Student Lighthouse Team is selling SMENCILS (scented pencils) starting on Friday, December 9th during lunches. Sales will continue on Friday, December 16th and Friday, January 6th. Cost is $1.00 each. There are Holiday Scents, Peppermint, Sports, Disney and regular Smencils available for sale.

TIPPS SPIRIT SHIRT CLOSEOUT INFORMATION

We are in the process of closing out our supply of the blue Super Hero Tipps Spirit Shirts. Here is what we have left in our stock:

Youth Small – 1 shirt
Youth Medium – 5 shirts
Youth Large – 27 shirts
Adult Small – 7 shirts
Adult Medium – 6 shirts

If you would like to purchase a shirt for your student, please send in your payment of $10.00 to the front office or your child's teacher. We will issue you a receipt and send the shirt home within 24 hours.

Thank you again for your support! We will begin working on our new school shirt early next year. The Spirit Shirt will be available for purchase when the 2017-2018 school year begins.

Notes from the Nurse

It is that time of year where we are seeing many children with cold and flu symptoms. We recommend you consult a medical provider for treatment if you suspect someone in your house of having the flu.

Typical symptoms include rapid onset of

- Fever (stay home with fever over 100.0 F)
- Persistent Cough
- Headache
- Chills
- Sore Throat

Many contagious illnesses can be prevented by keeping sick students at home and practicing frequent and thorough hand washing. We are asking that any **children who have any of the symptoms described above to remain at home until they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of medication.**

FOOD DRIVE UNDERWAY

The Student Lighthouse Leadership Team is beginning a school-wide food drive to benefit the Houston Northwest Community Center Food Pantry located at Bear Creek United Methodist Church.

On most nights, almost 200 families are served and 400 of these are children. The need is great and any help will be greatly appreciated.

Items needed are: Peanut Butter, Jelly or Tuna

You can bring the food donation to your grade level box located on the stage.

The class with the most items will receive a popcorn party in January, 2017.

(Please send only these items – no other food items can be accepted at this time.)

LOST AND FOUND

Please ***HELP***! We need you to clearly label your child's sweater, jacket, coat and/or lunch kit. This will help to get the "lost" item returned to your student. Cooler weather has arrived and our Lost and Found is filling up with lots of student outerwear. We appreciate your help.

Title I Parent Notice

As a parent of a student at a campus receiving Title I funds, federal law allows you to ask for information about the certification, college major, and advanced degrees of your child's teacher(s). You also have the right to request information about the qualifications of a teacher aide or paraprofessional providing direct services to your child. If you would like to receive this information, you may contact the Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Human Resources Department at 281-897-4099.