

HOUSE NEWS

MONTESSORI HOUSE FOR CHILDREN

April 2014

Monthly Newsletter

Reflections for the month of March

- Mr. Jaime Gonzalez of the Katy Prairie Conservatory gave a presentation to EC and LE classrooms on Wed, March 19th. The children were fascinated to hear about the time line of the surrounding area and the various wild life and insects that form the ecosystem of a prairie.
- The EC, Teach the Parent Night was a wonderful opportunity for the parents to visit the child's classroom and get a lesson from their child.
- The book club will discuss their final chapter this month on April 10th, from 6:00pm-7:00pm. They are reading "Teach Your Children Well" - Defining and Living Your Family Values and Becoming the Parents We Want To Be.



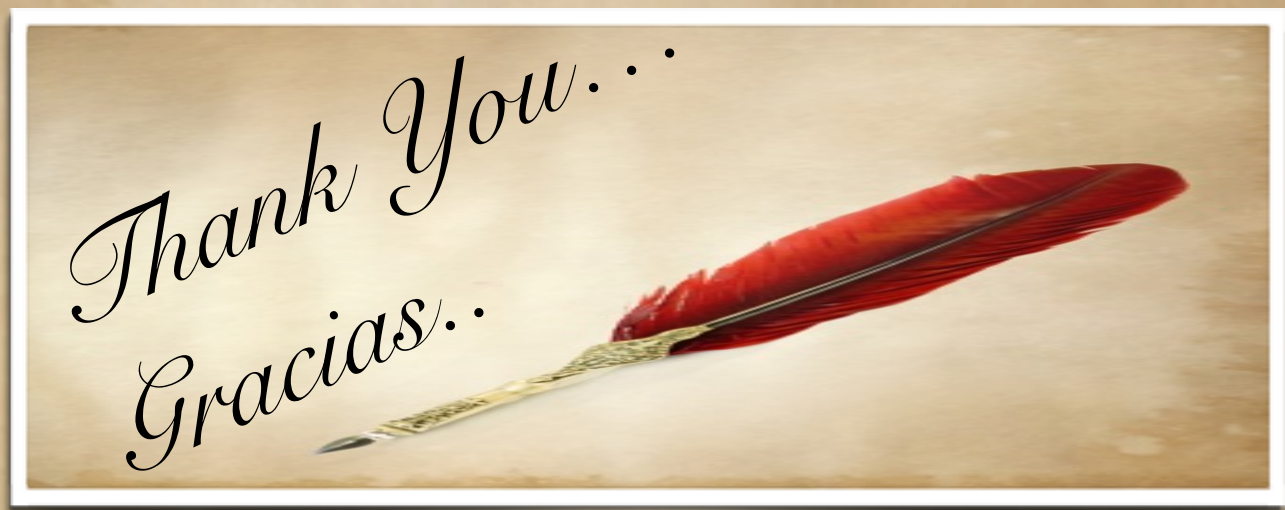


The weekend of March 29th was MHFC's first camping trip for Lower El students and their families! An absolutely wonderful time was had by all.

We encountered a cotton-mouth water moccasin, a beautiful beetle, animal tracks and a curious raccoon! With so much space to play and so many objects of interest, it was almost as if the children weren't there!

They were so involved in their imaginative play using many of nature's elements. Xander's tree moss on a stick was a "ghost dust", many collected various sticks for "weapons" (most related to Pokémon) and almost everyone experienced the joy of falling while running through the woods! The campfire and s'mores are always a hit but most importantly, memories were made with an event that we hope will become a tradition.

Thanks to each person who contributed in their own special way!



- To Gail and Gordon Roberson for the delicious cupcakes for parent coffee.
- To our arrival & dismissal time helpers for help during drive through.
Arrival Helpers: Daria Antipina and Christine Ballard,
Dismissal Helper: Mrs. Skvortsova.
- Parent committee for their support planning the upcoming **Pizza Playdate**.
- To our parent readers for their encouragement and support to our budding readers.
- To all our parents for keeping the fire lanes open and helping the drive through be smooth, safe and non-congested.

Events for the month of April

April 4th Spring Parent/ Teacher Conferences (School closed)

April 18th Good Friday (School is closed on this day.)

April 22nd Earth Day

April 25th Early Release (half and extended day students only)

April 26th Pizza Playdate (2- 5pm) (This event will be at MHFC)

Pizza Playdate



Saturday, April 26

2PM-5PM

Drop your kids (& MHFC alumnae) off at MHFC for a **Pizza Playdate**, benefiting the Montessori Education Fund! They will have fun playing with their friends and teachers while you have the whole afternoon to yourself, knowing they're in a safe environment.

Pick up your pizza on the way home and dinner is also done!

Events planned for kids:

Face painting

Art/Craft activities

Food Prep

Movie

Sign up today:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F49ADAF2EA64-pizza>



Events of Interest



Provided by FinneganCounseling.org

FREE 6-WEEK SUPPORT GROUPS
One for children with ADHD & one for their parents

Topics covered:

- *What it means to have ADHD*
- *Self-awareness of our bodies and behaviors*
- *Building social skills*
- *Family interactions and respect*
- *Accomplishing tasks*
- *Managing ADHD at school*

REGISTER at 713-402-5046
Tuesdays at 6 p.m. | May 27-July 1 | Sept 30-Nov 4

<http://finnegancounseling.org/pages/public-calendar-event?id=122>



Fort Bend County Libraries
CINCO RANCH BRANCH

You are invited to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Cinco Ranch Branch Library!

LITERARY & FINE ARTS
Festival & Parade | APRIL 4, 2014

Join Fort Bend County Precinct 3 **COMMISSIONER ANDY MEYERS** and Fort Bend County Libraries Director **CLARA RUSSELL** on **FRIDAY, APRIL 4, from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM** to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the **CINCO RANCH BRANCH LIBRARY**.

This wonderful community event will kick off an annual literary and fine arts show for our talented young writers, artists, musicians and performers from schools within Precinct 3.

- *Literary Competition Contest for K - 8*
- *Professionally Judged K - 12 Art Show*
- *Special Musical Performances*
- *Book Character Parade for PK - 3*

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<http://host5.evanced.info/fortbend/evanced/eventcalendar.asp?libnum=1>