Good morning Parkwood Hill family,

We have a four-day school week ahead, followed by a four-day student weekend, February 16 through February 19. Our spring picture days are this Tuesday (5th grade) and Wednesday (6th grade), with individual, homeroom, and select club photos being taken. In addition, we have Band Information Night for fifth-grade families this Tuesday, starting at 6:00 p.m. in our PHIS cafeteria. It's a busy week!

In addition to the above, Valentine's Day is this Wednesday; however, our students do not participate in Valentines' Day parties like they may have in elementary school. We ask that families please not send their child to school with candy or food to distribute to classmates this week. If a student wishes to distribute school-appropriate Valentines cards on Wednesday (2/14), he/she should bring enough to provide one for every student in his/her homeroom class. Teachers are not required to provide time for students to distribute cards during the school day, and students should request permission before doing so. Thank you for helping us keep our kids safe and focused on learning, while still acknowledging the holiday.

As always, I hope you have a fantastic week ahead!

Giving you my "Charger Best, Never Less,"

Brad Tyler, Principal

CURRENT HOUSE POINTS LEADER



Congratulations Isibindi!

The Lions leapt ahead! Students in the House of Courage will pick a reward from the Prize Cart this week!

SAVE THE DATE

February

- 13 5th Grade Spring Picture Day (Individual & Class Pictures <u>Details Here</u>)
- 13 Band Information Night for Fifth-Grade Families, 6:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria
- 14 6th Grade Spring Picture Day (Individual & Class Pictures <u>Details Here</u>)
- 16 No School Professional Development Day
- 19 No School Presidents' Day Holiday
- 20 Chipotle Spirit Night, 4:00-8:00 p.m. at Watauga Location (Details Here)

22 – Deadline for HMS Cheer Tryout Paperwork, By 4:00 p.m. to HMS Office (<u>Flyer</u> <u>Here</u>)

22 – Orchestra Information Night for Fifth-Grade Families, 5:30 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

- 22 Orchestra Instrument Fair, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria
- 24 Band Instrument Selection Fair, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria

LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD

<u>Daily</u>

HAPPENING NOW! Perfect Attendance Incentive – This nine-weeks, we're asking all students to maintain perfect attendance. Students who are present every day of a given week will be entered into a weekly drawing to win a gift card to Amazon, GameStop, or Target. We'll draw two winners per week, so there's twenty chances to win! Please encourage your child to be at school every day so their name might be drawn!

Join PTA! – Basic Membership is only \$10. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to sign up today!

<u>Tuesday, February 13</u>

Fifth Grade Spring Picture Day – All fifth-grade students will have their individual spring photograph taken, as well as a homeroom class photo. There is no money due on picture day. Individual photographs will be emailed in 2-3 weeks, allowing parents to view/purchase a portrait package online. All packages will be shipped directly from Glamourcraft, and are 100% guaranteed. Instructions to view and purchase class photographs will be emailed separately. <u>Click here for details</u>.

Band Information Night for 5th Grade Families, 6:00 p.m. at PHIS Cafeteria – Does your 5th grader want to learn to play an instrument, or to advance her existing skills by joining the Charger Nation Band? Meet our band directors this Tuesday evening and learn all about our sixth-grade band program at Parkwood Hill! Please join us to learn all about instrument selection, program expectations, and the outstanding young musicians we're developing from Parkwood Hill, to Hillwood, and on to Central High School.

Wednesday, February 14

Sixth Grade Spring Picture Day – All sixth-grade students will have their individual spring photograph taken, as well as a homeroom class photo. There is no money due on picture day. Individual photographs will be emailed in 2-3 weeks, allowing parents to view/purchase a portrait package online. All packages will be shipped directly from Glamourcraft, and are 100% guaranteed. Instructions to view and purchase class photographs will be emailed separately. <u>Click here for details</u>.

Friday, February 16

No School – Student Holiday (Teacher Professional Development Day)

Filing Deadline for 2024 KISD Board of Trustees Election – The filing deadline is 5:00 p.m. this Friday. Place 6 and Place 7 on the Board are up for election this spring, with Early Voting set for April 22-April 30, and Election Day on Saturday, May 4. For more information visit the 2024 Board of Trustees Election page.

Monday, February 19

No School - Keller ISD District Holiday

KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE

IMPORTANT! Cell Phone Use Prohibited – Cell phone use at school distracts students from learning, disrupts the school environment, enables access to inappropriate material, and has the potential to endanger the health of students. At Parkwood Hill, students may not display or use cell phones inside our school building, or outside our building during school hours (e.g., at recess, PE). Students may carry a cell phone, but it must be completely powered off and out of sight (e.g., in a backpack, in a pocket). *Any student using his cell phone at school must surrender his device to a teacher/staff member upon request, and a fine of \$15 may be charged before the device is returned to a parent/guardian. Any student*

who uses his/her cell phone in a restroom will be subject to immediate suspension.

Visiting Your Child for Lunch – For the safety of our students, parents/guardians may *only* bring outside food for their own child(ren), and cannot provide outside food to other students. In addition, parents are only permitted to eat lunch with their own child, and *cannot* invite additional children to join them for lunch. Thank you for honoring these important safety practices.

After-Hours Contact – On school days, our campus office hours are 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If you need to reach someone on our staff, and you are calling outside of business hours, please leave a voicemail message at (817) 744-4000, and we will contact you the next business day. If you have an emergency involving a missing student, and it is outside of our campus office hours above, you may call (817) 744-1206 from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, or 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Friday. If you are calling outside of the business hours above, and it involves a missing student, please call 911.

GET INVOLVED

Encourage Your Charger Filmmaker! – Students are invited to express their creativity by entering their film creations in any of 5 special categories: Drama, Comedy, Documentary/PSA, Animation, and Music Video. A panel of judges comprised of Keller ISD administrators, as well as industry video professionals, will watch all entries and pick winners in each category. Entries will be accepted until March 24, finalists will be announced April 22, and finalists will be showcased in a gala event on May 13 at the Keller Moviehouse and Eatery.

Visit <u>https://www.kellerisd.net/film</u> for full details, and encourage your Charger to enter this year's festival!

Consider Central Volleyball Spring Break Clinic – Central Charger Volleyball will offer a Spring Break Clinic for kindergarten through sixth-grade students, March 11-13, at Central High School. The clinic will be run by Central coaches and players, and represents an excellent opportunity for our youngest Chargers to learn the game, stay active, and have fun over Spring Break! <u>CLICK HERE for a flyer with details</u>.

Run for Keller ISD School Board – Filing for the 2024 Keller ISD Board of Trustees Election opened Wednesday, January 17, and runs through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 16. Place 6 and Place 7 on the Board are up for election this spring, with Early Voting set for April 22-April 30, and Election Day on Saturday, May 4. For more information visit the 2024 Board of Trustees Election page.

Consider Beginner Band & Orchestra – Parkwood Hill offers outstanding fine arts programming, and our fifth-grade students will submit their preferences for a yearlong, sixth-grade elective this spring. Our Charger Band and Charger Orchestra programs are hosting fifth-grade parent information nights in February, with accompanying instrument selection/fair opportunities. See the February calendar above for details, and please join us!

Join PTA – Parkwood Hill PTA is a gift to our kids, families, teachers, and community. Your support makes it possible to provide key resources and numerous events throughout the school year, including meals/events, campus volunteers, Art Night, Science Night, and the Parkwood Hill Pumpkin Festival, among others. If you have yet to sign-up, please do! Membership is only \$10! <u>CLICK HERE</u> to join today!

Register to Volunteer - If you plan to volunteer on our campus this year, or to serve as a field trip chaperone, you must successfully completed a <u>2023-2024 KISD</u> <u>Volunteer Application</u>. This application and background check must be completed each year, and when successful, will cover all Keller ISD campuses. Please apply at least 2 weeks before you are scheduled to volunteer on our campus.

CONNECT WITH US

Campus Flyers – Campus flyers are posted to "Peachjar." Visit our website at <u>www.KellerISD.net/PHIS</u> and click on "Peachjar eFlyers" under the Quick Links section.

Online Resources – Campus information is always available online!

Campus Website: www.KellerISD.net/PHIS

Campus Counselor Website: <u>https://bit.ly/3Z84ilV</u>

Campus "X" (formerly Twitter) Account: www.x.com/ParkwoodHill

Campus Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/ParkwoodHill

PTA Website: <u>www.PHISPTA.org</u>

PTA Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/phispta

"PROSPECT-IVE" SOLUTIONS

If you have any solutions, concerns, or praise that can serve to make Parkwood Hill a better place for our kiddos, please fill out a brief, online feedback form by clicking <u>here</u>. When using the form, you can choose to share your name, or to remain anonymous.

Thank you for staying informed, active, and involved in the education of our Chargers!

