



M. E. Foster February News

"Teaming Up For A Winning Season"

Parent Important Dates

Foster Staff	
Eric Tingle	Principal
MyThesia Johnson	Teacher Specialist
Doalisha Foster	Counselor
Lashena Webb	Secretary
Michelle Walker	Front Office Clerk
Patricia Hearne	SYMS Clerk

February 4, 2016

D.A.D.S. Day. All students are encouraged to invite their DADS on this special day. The event will begin promptly at 8:00 am in the library. Students will receive a free dress pass for having their dad in attendance.

February 12, 2016

Valentine's Day Dance. All 3rd—5th grade students are invited. Presale tickets are \$3.00 and can be purchased from your child's homeroom teacher. Snacks will be sold.

February 19, 2016

PreK Report Card Day. All Prekindergarten students will receive their 2nd 12-week report card.

February 24, 2016

Early Dismissal. All students will be dismissed at 12:30 pm. Make sure you make the appropriate arrangements so that your child is picked up on time.

February 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th, 2016

Saturday Tutorials. All 3rd—5th grade students are invited to attend Saturday tutorials.

School Information

3919 Ward St.

Houston, TX 77021

713-746-8260 (phone)

713-746-8263 (fax)

School Hours: 7:45 am - 3:00pm

Breakfast is over @ 8:05 am

2016 STAAR Assessment Dates

March 29, 2016—5th Math & 4th Writing

March 30, 2016—5th Reading

May 9, 2016—3rd & 4th Math; 5th Math (Retest)

May 10, 2016—3rd & 4th Reading; 5th Reading (Retest)

May 11, 2016—5th Science

Parent Tip—Attendance Matters: It's The Law

Make Every Day Count!

- Your children can suffer academically if they miss 10 percent of school days or about 18 days. That can be just one day every two weeks, and that can happen before you know it.
- It doesn't matter if these absences are excused or unexcused. They all represent lost time in the classroom and a lost opportunity to learn.
- Attendance matters as early as kindergarten. Studies show many children who miss too many days in kindergarten and first grade can struggle academically in later years. They often have trouble mastering reading by the end of third grade
- By middle and high school, chronic absence is a leading warning sign that a student will drop out.