



Pawprints

The Lyons Elementary Newsletter
October 22, 2026

Greetings, Lyons Families!

Can you believe we are already moving through October? Time is flying, and we have so much to look forward to at Lyons Elementary! We have some **FUN and exciting events coming up**, and we cannot wait to create more wonderful memories with our students and families!

25 Instructional Days Until Thanksgiving Break!

Yes, you read that correctly! We have just **25 instructional days until Thanksgiving Break!** While the excitement of the holiday season is approaching, we want to emphasize that **EVERY DAY COUNTS, and EVERY MINUTE MATTERS!**

Our teachers and students are working hard each day to strengthen academic skills, close learning gaps, and reach our campus goals. **We cannot afford to lose valuable instructional time!** We need your partnership to ensure our students are at school **EVERY DAY, ON TIME, and READY TO LEARN!**

Attendance Matters!

- Make daily attendance a priority.
- Ensure students arrive on time and ready for instruction.
- Schedule appointments outside of school hours whenever possible.
- Remember, even one missed day means missed opportunities for learning and growth!

Thank you for being an important part of our Lyons family!

Have a wonderful week!

Principal Nekia L. Petry



*Paw Message from Mrs.
Petry*

*"Keep learning, keep smiling, and
remember you can do great things one*

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School Hours

Monday- Friday
7:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Instruction begins at 7:30 A.M.

Tardy Slips begin at 7:40 A.M.

Dismissal begins at 3:00 P.M.

Office Hours

Monday – Friday
7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Social Media

Follow us on Facebook:
Lyons Elementary School-HISD

Follow us on Twitter:
@LyonsElementary

Important Dates for the Week:

Monday, Oct. 26:

- Parent Plaoza @ MLK ECC

Wednesday, Oct. 28:

- Kinder & MS. Rangel Field Lesson to Houston Zoo

Thursday, Oct. 29:

- Trunk or Treat
- Pumpkin Drop off
- Parent Palzooza @Fonwood ECC

Friday, Oct. 30:

- Halloween Dance & Pictures
- Pumpkin Contest Winners Announced

Thursday, Nov. 5:

- SLL Classes to Dewberry Farm

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DOWN'S SYNDROME MONTH 1ST – 31ST



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 PARENT PALOOZA @MLK ECC 4-5:00 PM	27	28 Kinder & Rangel Field Lesson to Houston Zoo	29 TRUNK OR TREAT ~~~ PUMPKIN DROP OFF FOR CONTEST ~~~ PARENT PALOOZA @Fonwood ECC & Nelf ELC 4-5:00 PM	30 HALLOWEEN DANCE & Pictures ~~~ Pumpkin Contest Winner to be Announced	31

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2	3	4	5 SLL Classes to Dewberry Farm	6 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS PD DAY	7
9	10	11 4 th Grade to Houston Symphony	12 Fall Pictures	13 PTO Fall Dance	14
16	17	18	19 2 nd Gd to Children's Museum	20	21
23	24	25	26	27 NO SCHOOL 	28

BE HERE EVERYDAY – BE ON TIME

LYONS NEWS

Pawprints is a weekly newsletter that contains school information, news, and upcoming events. It is available online every Thursday.

<http://www.houstonisd.org/LyonsES>

If you do not have a computer or internet access, there will be some newsletters available in print in the front office.

RED RIBBON WEEK


Houston Independent School District
 Building Character. Inspiring Excellence.
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SEMANA DEL LISTÓN ROJO 2026



Make a Difference. Be a Hero. Stay Drug Free
Marca la diferencia. Sé un héroe. Vive libre de drogas.

OCTOBER 26-30, 2026
26-30 DE OCTUBRE DE 2026

MONDAY, OCT. 26 – School Spirit Day Pillar: Trustworthiness Day Theme: School Spirit Day Dress Code: Wear your school spirit wear or school colors	LUNES 26 DE OCTUBRE – Día del Espíritu Escolar Pilar: Confiabilidad Tema: Día del Espíritu Escolar Código de vestimenta: Viste tu ropa de espíritu escolar o los colores de tu escuela
TUESDAY, OCT. 27 – Twin Day Pillar: Respect Day Theme: Twin Day Dress Code: Dress like a twin with a friend	MARTES 27 DE OCTUBRE – Día de los Gemelos (Twin Day) Pilar: Respeto Tema: Día de los Gemelos (Twin Day) Código de vestimenta: Vístete igual que un gemelo con un amigo
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28 – Wear Red – Drug Free Day Pillar: Responsibility Day Theme: Wear Red – Drug Free Day Dress Code: Wear red to show your commitment to being drug free	MIÉRCOLES 28 DE OCTUBRE – Viste de Rojo – Día Libre de Drogas Pilar: Responsabilidad Tema: Viste de Rojo – Día Libre de Drogas Código de vestimenta: Viste de rojo para mostrar tu compromiso de vivir libre de drogas
THURSDAY, OCT. 29 – Sports Team Day & Halloween Costume Day Pillar: Fairness & Caring Day Theme: Sports Team Day Dress Code: Wear your favorite sports team jersey or shirt OR wear a Halloween costume!	JUEVES 29 DE OCTUBRE – Día del Equipo Deportivo y Disfraces de Halloween Pilar: Justicia y Solidaridad Tema: Día del Equipo Deportivo Código de vestimenta: Viste la camiseta o jersey de tu equipo deportivo favorito ¡O usa un disfraz de Halloween!
FRIDAY, OCT. 30 – Super Hero / Career Day & Halloween Costume Day Pillar: Citizenship Day Theme: Super Hero / Career Day Dress Code: Dress as a superhero or wear career attire OR wear a Halloween costume!	VIERNES 30 DE OCTUBRE – Superhéroe / Día de las Profesiones y Disfraces de Halloween Pilar: Civismo Tema: Superhéroe / Día de las Profesiones Código de vestimenta: Vístete como superhéroe o usa ropa de una profesión ¡O usa un disfraz de Halloween!

Show good citizenship—help make your school and community a better place.
Demuestra buen civismo: ayuda a que tu escuela y tu comunidad sean un mejor lugar para todos.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS:



HISPANIC HERITAGE LOTTERY NIGHT:

The PTO thanks everyone who attended Lotteria Night. There were a lot of great prizes, delicious snacks and a good time was had by all.



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WINNERS



TRUNK OR TREAT:

Pre-K is sponsoring Trunk or Treat next Thursday, October 29. The cost is \$2 per student. Students are asked to bring their own bag for the treats. Students may wear their costumes. **NO MASKS, KNIVES, SWORDS, GUNS, ETC.**



HALLOWEEN DANCE AND PICTURES:

First Grade is sponsoring a Halloween dance and pictures on Friday, October 30th. The cost of the dance is \$2 and the cost of the pictures is \$6 for 2 - 4X6 pictures. Refreshments and trinkets will be sold : 25¢-\$4.00. Students may wear their costumes.



PUMPKIN CONTEST:

The SPED department is sponsoring a pumpkin decorating contest. Funds raised will support the SPED department. Entry fee is \$5 per pumpkin. Pumpkins may be brought to the school from October 29-30. Entry forms are available in the front office. Winners will be





The Houston ISD Police Department is inviting everyone to their TRUNK or TREAT event on Wednesday, October, 28, 2026 from 5:00-7:00 P.M. The event will take place at the High School of Law & Justice. Please see the flyer to the left for more information.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

October 28	Kinder & Ms. Rangel's Class Field Lesson to Houston Zoo
October 29	Trunk or Treat
October 30	Halloween Dance

November 1	Time change – set clocks back 1 hour.
November 5	SLL Field Lesson to Dewberry Farm
November 10	4 th Grade Field Lesson to Houston Symphony
November 6	NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
November 12	Individual Fall Pictures <i>by Provine</i> Color Run <i>sponsored by PK & K</i>
November 13	Fall Dance <i>sponsored by PTO</i>
November 19	2 nd Grade Field Lesson to Children’s Museum 10:20-2:00
November 23-27	NO SCHOOL Fall Recess
Dec. 21- Jan 1	NO SCHOOL Winter Recess



Approved:

Nekia L. Petry
 Nekia L Petry, Principal
 NLP /vc

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OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER MONTH

We wear pink in October

Breast cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed among women in the United States. It is the 2nd leading cause of death from cancer among women. Only lung cancer kills more women each year.

Source:  American Cancer Society

