



Dear Pink Families,

I find it hard to believe that I am writing my last newsletter to you for this school year! Time has gone so fast and the students have made such wonderful progress. We have many fun and exciting activities planned to end this year with field day, Eddie Coker, High Flying Excitement, Awards Day and End of Year Parties just to name a few! We hope that you will find time to join us for many of these events.

I am very pleased to announce that Frisco ISD will be going to an online registration process for the new school year! Yeah!! No more packets where we have to write the same the thing a number of times and waste so much of our precious time. Over the summer you all will be receiving an email and phone call regarding your protected password to access your child's secure information online where you will only need to do some updating, checking of some boxes and signing! That's it! This will all be done before your children ever start school! Note: The process will be slightly different for new students to the school. More information will be coming!!

Lastly, I want to bid a deep hearted farewell to all of the wonderful students and parents that will be leaving our family next year for Purefoy Elementary. We have had a wonderful five years together and you all will be missed so much as you move on to a great new home! We hope you won't ever forget us!

Best Regards,

Bethany Rowan
Principal

President's Perspective

Hello Pink families,

As we bring the year to a close I would like to take a moment to thank all the wonderful families at Pink Elementary for making my two-year's as your PTA President wonderfully fulfilling. I am sad to leave behind the elementary years at Pink, although excited to begin the middle school journey at Griffin with my second child.

I am leaving you in the extremely capable hands of your incoming President Lisa Boone. I know that she and the new board for 2010-2011 are already hard at work to make the New Year a success for our school.

A BIG Thank you to the teachers, staff and administration for being the best in Frisco ISD.

A PTA President could not ask for a more supportive and helpful Principal and Asst Principal than Ms. Rowan and Mr. Anderson. A heartfelt "Thank you" to you both.

Thank you to all the wonderful moms and dads that have volunteered all year to make our PTA sponsored events a success. Your involvement at any level is greatly appreciated and makes all the difference in our children's lives.

Last but not least, Thank you to the wonderful PTA board at Pink. It has been a pleasure working with each and every one of you. We have had two very successful year's and I could not have done it without the hard work and diligence that you all have demonstrated through out.

Best of luck to all the families at Pink Elementary for an even better year in 2010-2011. Have a wonderful summer.

Thank you,
Shazieh Ahmad
PTA President
2008-2010

PINK TEACHERS ROCK THE FLOCK

Thank you to all the 2nd and 3rd grade parents that sent in yummy salads, soups, desserts and drinks for the last flamingo themed teacher appreciation luncheon of the year. In addition to the luncheon, the teachers enjoyed Dimples cupcakes and coffee on Wednesday and Sonic Route 44 beverages on Friday in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week from the PTA . Thank you to all the parents that helped decorate, provide food, clean up and organize!

Thank You to Our the 2009-2010 Pink PTA Board

Shazieh Ahmad	President
Lori Cunningham	Secretary
Jennifer Brown	Treasurer
Lisa Boone	1 st VP Membership
Heather Money	2 nd VP Ways & Means
Margaret Hoyt	3 rd VP Programs
Parliamentarian	Traci Seal
Janie Wang	Historian
Kate Bennett	Council Delegate/Legislative Rep
Nancy Wilson	Cultural Arts
Vanessa Faulk	Hospitality
Amanda Washburn	Western Hoe Down
Aimee Hendrix	Spirit Store
Kim McGuire	Book Fair
Shelia Flaherty	Store Programs
Jennifer Montemayor	Newsletter/Publicity
Nicole Roland	Webmaster
Karen Doggett	Volunteer Coordinator
Mona Savage	Room Parent Coordinator
Lynn Bergman	Environmental/Health & Safety

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Kristen Dickey	Room Parent Coordinator
Janie Wang	Cultural Arts
Kim Hecht	Environmental/Health & Safety
Hope Roddy	Pink Copy Coordinator (New Position)

Diversity In A Box of Crayons

An art project to help initiate talk of appreciation of diversity within our self and around us.



Read "**The Crayon Box That Talked**" by Shane DeRolf.

Give your child 2 sheets of paper.

First ask your child to pick out one color from a crayon box to draw a picture.

When they are done with the first picture, ask for them to draw a second picture.

This time allow your child to use all the colors in the crayon box.

When they are done with the second picture, ask these questions:

- Which picture do you like best?
- Why?
- Which picture would you like to be displayed so everybody can see?

Majority of children would prefer the picture that they drew using the most crayons.

By using more than one color crayon you can create something so beautiful because they work so well together.

Use this opportunity to discuss how even though all the colors are different in size, have different names, some may be sharper or dull, they all belong together nicely in the same box.

We all can learn a lot from a box of crayons.

**Information found on these websites:

www.tolerance.org

www.diversitycouncil.org

THE CRAYON BOX THAT TALKED By Shane DeRolf

While walking into a toy store
The day before today
I overheard a crayon box
With many things to say
"I don't like Red!" said Yellow
And Green said "Nor do I"
"And no one here likes Orange
But no one knows just why"
"We are a box of crayons
that doesn't get along
Said Blue to all the others
"Something here is wrong"
Well, I bought that box of crayons
And took it home with me
And laid out all the colors
So the crayons all could see...
They watched me as I colored
With Red and Blue and Green
And Black and White and Orange
And every color in between
They watched as Green became the grass
And Blue became the sky
The Yellow sun was shining bright
On White clouds drifting by
Colors changing as they touched
Becoming something new
They watched me as I colored
They watched me till I was through



And when I finally finished
I began to walk away
And as I did the crayon box
Had something more to say
“I do like Red!” said Yellow
And Green said, “so do I”
And Blue you were terrific!
So high up in the sky
“We are a box of crayons.
Each one of us unique
But when we get together
The picture is more complete”



May is National BBQ month-

Here are some healthier BBQ ideas to try out this month:

Try grilling a colorful vegetable kabobs: Put mushrooms, sliced squash, cherry tomatoes, green pepper and red onion on a skewer and lightly brush with canola oil. Place on grill and cook until tender.

Great dessert idea: Slice fresh pineapple or fresh peach halves and brush lightly with canola oil. Place on the grill with low heat and cook until hot and slightly golden. Serve with a scoop of low fat ice cream for a fresh summer time dessert.

Healthy snack ideas for kids:

- o Peel a banana and dip it in yogurt. Roll in crushed cereal and freeze.
- o Mix together peanut butter and cornflakes in a bowl. Shape into balls and roll in crushed graham crackers.
- o Fill a waffle cone with cut-up fruit and top with low-fat vanilla yogurt.
- o Sprinkle grated Parmesan cheese on hot popcorn.
- o Inside-Out sandwich: Spread mustard on a slice of deli turkey. Wrap around o sesame breadstick.

Did you know.....

Processed food vs. Unprocessed food:

That according to the Farm Bill of 2008, a processed food is a food that has been processed to the point it undergoes a “change in character”. Example: a head of spinach (unprocessed) vs. cut, pre-washed spinach (processed). So the term that has been increasingly associated with unhealthy packaged foods with empty calories and loads of additives is not exactly what the term processed foods means.



Aloha Pink!

A HUGE thanks to all the amazing Room Parents who have given us a tidal wave of fun for all of our parties this year

Our Pink Room Parents are a remarkable group of "GIVERS" – I am honored to have been a part of this giving team. They have been the communication between teachers and classroom families. So often they stay behind the scenes, while creating memories our students will forever hold in their hearts. All year they have given their time, care, and creative talents to host incredible celebrations.

**Pink is blessed to have each and every one of you!
It is now time to say ALOHA to summer fun.☺**

**Enjoy your summer!
Mona Savage
Room Parent Coordinator**