

Eisenhower Informer

A newsletter for the Eisenhower International School family

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— A Message from the Principal —

Honoring Those Who Make EIS the Best

As we begin to close the chapter on the 2007-2008 school year, we must take the time to look back and reflect.

What a year it has been? Our school was the only school in the State of Oklahoma to win the Academic Achievement Award for the third year in a row! This means we had the top API (test scores) for a school our size in Oklahoma. It also means we can say with great confidence that this is the “Best Elementary School” in the state.

We truly believe that the staff, the students and, of course, you the parents make our school the best in the state. We are such a team here at Eisenhower and it shows every day. There is no way we could do the things we do without each of you. The volunteer hours are crucial to our success.

Whether it is serving on the PTA or the EIS Foundation, being a Homeroom Parent or committee chair, volunteering in the classrooms, volunteering to help at the many special events, or anything else you may have done this year, we want to thank you. Please know that we appreciate each and everyone of you and no contribution goes unnoticed!

A special thank you to our 5th grade parents who may be leaving EIS this year. Please keep in touch and encourage your children to let us know all about their successes in the years to come!

Again, thanks to everyone for the great year! See you on August 11, 2008!

— Stacy Strow, Principal



Your Dolphin Calendar

- 19** K-2 Awards Ceremony
@ 1:15 pm
- 20** 3-5 Awards Ceremony
@ 1:15 pm
- 27** 5th Grade Promotion
@ 6:30 pm
- 28** Super Kids day (PreK-5)
@ 8:45 am
- 29** Beach Blanket Bingo
- 29** 5th Grade Talent Show
@ 1:30 pm
- 29** Last Day of School

EIS PTA Unit Meeting Minutes for May 8, 2008

- Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.
- Presentation of Flags
- The April minutes were approved.

• **Principal's Report (Stacy Strow)**

Mrs. Strow thanked the Board and Unit members for their PTA participation and attendance at the meetings.

She noted that the school building will close May 30th for AC installation. Before this time, everything in the school has to be boxed up and wrapped in plastic.

The class supply lists for the 2008-09 school year have been finalized. A copy will go home with the report cards and Brett Elbon will put the lists on the website as well.

• **President's Report (Rob Wright)**

First, the new Board was voted on; Blake Johnson, 1st motion, Bren Milleson, 2nd. The 2008-09 Board members were approved and are as follows:

President- Rob Wright
1st Vice- Jennifer Seely
2nd Vice- Dana Drummond
Secretary- Becky Porter
Treasurer- Kevin Tillman
Delegate-Brett Elbon

Rob Wright thanked the Board and Committee members for a great year. In addition to the new Board, several others have volunteered to chair committees:

Jessica Holtzscher-Hospitality Chair
Miranda Pautler-Fund Development Chair
Christy Blystone-Communications Chair
Bren & Lance Milleson-Innisbrook

Rob mentioned some items for Christy Blystone: May 19th is EIS night at Chili's – tell them you're with EIS and we'll receive 10% of the profits. More information in the home and backs. You can still recycle your old cell phones. Look for the box outside the office.

• **1st Vice President's Report**

No report.

• **2nd Vice President's Report**

On May 28th, the PTA is sponsoring the final Skate Night of the year. It is from 6-8 pm at Skateland and admission is free.

Jennifer is organizing the sale of school supply packets. She will be ordering them from Staples and Sam's at cost. The PTA will not profit from these sales; it is a convenience service for the parents.

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EIS PTA Unit Meeting Minutes (Continued from page 2)

• **Treasurer's Report (Blake Johnson)**

Blake handed out the proposed 2008-2009 budget for review. He asked the Unit for any questions. Jessica Holtzschler asked if money could be used for buying miscellaneous supplies for the Emily Wood Room and teachers' lounge. Blake will add a \$100 line item for Kitchen Supplies. Maureen Wilson asked if the Spanish and French Science Fund could be increased. Blake will increase those to \$100 each. Mrs. Worthley and Mrs. Strow discussed ink cartridges for printers; the Unit decided to leave the current system in place. Brett Elbon noted the Summer Library program was in the budget, even though it won't be used this summer. Blake suggested leaving it there, so it doesn't get forgotten for the budget two years from now.

Keren Wright moved to approve the July 2008-June 2009 EIS PTA Unit Budget; Pam Tillman second the motion. The budget passed.

• **Delegate's (Steve Benway)**

Steve Benway reported on the April Tulsa PTA meeting. The May and final Tulsa PTA meeting will be on May 27th from 5-8 in the evening. A light meal will be provided and new board members will learn some responsibilities of their positions.

• **Committee Reports**

STRATEGIC PLANNING: Dana Drummond reported on the Strategic Plan brainstorming sessions. So far they have over 65 parents signed up. If you are unable to attend a meeting, your opinions can still be heard. Please contact Dana with any questions..

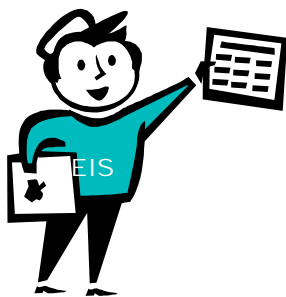
SPRING FLING: Sutton Murray noted Spring Fling, scheduled for May 10th 1-3pm. Set up begins at 11am.

SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM: Maureen Wilson mentioned that Mrs. McCrary has made arrangements with the Schusterman/Benson library, at 32nd and Harvard, to use their meeting room as a mini EIS library filled with our target language books. Since our library will be closed for the summer, students can go to this library to check out language books. This temporary library is looking for volunteers! Contact Mrs. McCrary or Maureen if you can help.

RUNS: Phyllis Worthley noted that for the 75 participants in the Get Fit Tulsa run, there will be a party at Pump It Up on May 19th from 5:30 to 7:30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, *Karen Jones*

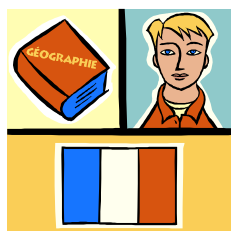


Coming Soon...

THE GLOBE student newspaper

It's at the printer!!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Le Grand Concours National French Award

Congratulations to the following EIS French students who were honored recently with Le Grand Concours awards.

French 1st Grade

Rosie Barcus-Schafer – 3rd place ranking
Richard Hasegawa – 4th place ranking
Max Logan – 6th place ranking
Griffin Holtzscher – 8th place ranking

French 2nd Grade

Zoë Bridgwater – 5th place ranking
Evan Loegering – 5th place ranking
Katy Brooks – 6th place ranking
Max Megehee – 7th place ranking
Lewis Guillory – 8th place ranking
Christian Wright – 9th place ranking
Sophie Fears – 9th place ranking
Chi Vo – 9th place ranking
Lily Raskin – 9th place ranking

French 3rd Grade

Grace Geary – 2nd place ranking
Joshua Corbaz – 3rd place ranking
Tahlia Munoz – 4th place ranking
Emma Grantham – 6th place ranking
Braden Patton – 6th place ranking
Noah Miracle – 8th place ranking
Layla Mortadha – 8th place ranking
Morgan Wilson – 8th place ranking
Elisa Prieto – 9th place ranking
Laurene Smith – 9th place ranking

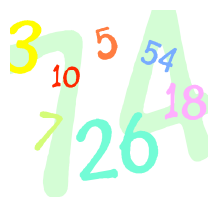
French 4th Grade

Magi Ratliff – *1st Place Ranking*
Grace Elbon – 2nd place ranking
Lisa Ratliff – 2nd place ranking
Adrienne Burgard – 3rd place ranking
Taylor Potts – 3rd place ranking
Emily Bashaw – 4th place ranking
Sheridan Nolen – 4th place ranking
Isabella Silberg – 5th place ranking
Vanessa Smith – 5th place ranking

Phoebe Lowe – 6th place ranking
Will Spaeth – 8th place ranking
Ellis LeBlanc – 8th place ranking
Zach Pfeifer – 8th place ranking

French 5th Grade

Lauren Lusk – 2nd place ranking
Morgan Smith – 3rd place ranking
Ashley Comstock – 4th place ranking
Justin Ostrem – 4th place ranking
Patrick Wilson – 4th place ranking
Emily Allen – 6th place ranking
Lily Fears – 6th place ranking
Isaiah Lee – 6th place ranking
Mireille Mbau – 6th place ranking
Cole Inhofe – 9th place ranking
Alan Tett – 9th place ranking



2007-08 Math Enrichment Winners

EIS fourth and fifth students were given 30 math problems through the year to allow them to improve upon and learn problem-solving strategies. The students with the most correct and on-time answers win either a medal or a book and certificate. Congratulations to the following winners...

MATH WINNERS BY LANGUAGE & GRADE

French 4th	Phoebe Lowe
Spanish 4th	Jordan Alford
French 5th	Patrick Wilson
Spanish 5th	Charles Bales

TOP THREE WINNERS BY GRADE

Fourth Grade

1st - Phoebe Lowe
2nd - Sheridan Nolen
3rd - Emily Bashaw
3rd - Lisa Ratliff

Fifth Grade

1st - Patrick Wilson
2nd - Charles Bales
3rd - Anders Broussard

CONGRATULATIONS!



Sequoyah Readers 2008

Congratulations to the following readers, who completed the challenge of reading and taking a quiz over 20 award-winning books. Our *Super Readers* (shown in bold), each read 25 or more books; *Braum's Walkers* read 20 or more books; and Certificate winners read 10 or more.

French Fifth Grade

Braum's Walkers

Emily Allen

Leo Burgard

DeAndre Chippis

Sam Eagleton

Cora Hasegawa (25 books)

Kylie Holler (25 books)

Isaiah Lee

Lauren Lusk (30 books)

Mireille Mbau

Justin Ostrem

Dylan Reid

Seamus Ryan-Johnson

Morgan Smith (27 books)

Alan Tett

Patrick Wilson (48 books)

Certificates

Lily Eagleton

Lily Fears

Destiny Hill

Cole Inhofe

Spanish Fifth Grade

Braum's Walkers

Charles Bales

Erin Boyd

Jacob Brasel

Anders Broussard

Joseph Charney

Lily Eagleton

Isabella Goulden (30 books)

Jack Jarnigan

Kevyn Johnson

Morgane Kim

Jessica Maldonado (30 books)

Austin Mitchell

Neosha Pendergraft

John Seely

Malicah Smallwood

Chase Waldon

Certificates

Gabe Castillo

Andrew Gould

Mac Milburn

French Fourth Grade

Braum's Walkers

Emily Bashaw

Elie Benarrous

Adrienne Burgard

Grace Elbon

Grayson Glover

Ellis LeBlanc

Phoebe Lowe

Sheridan Nolen

Zachary Pfeifer

Taylor Potts

Lisa Ratliff

Maggie Ratliff

Isabella Silberg

Vanessa Smith

Will Spaeth

Alyssa Tyre

Certificates

Zachary Boulware

Mai Vo

Spanish Fourth Grade

Braum's Walkers

Carly Fussell

Lily Grant

Kaili Hall

Aidan Holtzscher

Emily Jarnigan

Nathan Levit

Hannah Lewis

Emily Russell

Certificates

Mackinlee Allen

Raven Watkins

Chandler Ziegler

French Third Grade

Braum's Walkers

Sadie Brasel

Allison Bruns

Alexander Cook

Connor Cook

Grace Geary

Emma Grantham

Layla Mortadha

Sam Moss

Tahlia Munoz

Elisa Prieto

Erin Rowe

Morgan Wilson

Certificates

Channing Baumann

Bridget Lowe

Noah Miracle

Braden Patton

Spanish Third Grade

Braum's Walkers

Emma Blystone

Will Duncan

Thane Gehring

Jack Heil

Peyton Kroh

Emma Rollinger

Olivia Seely

Patrick Tillman

Grayson Warlick

Austin Welch

Rain Wolff

Zane Wood

Certificates

Elijah Barnett

Hannah Hill

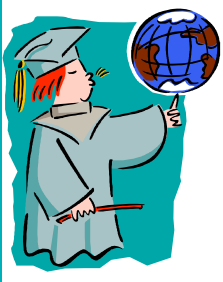
Summer Target Language Reading Opportunity

The Schusterman-Bensen Library Meeting Room, located at 3333 E. 32nd Place or 32nd and Harvard, has been reserved for EIS library time on the following dates from 6:30-7:30pm.



Wednesday, July 9
Tuesday, July 15
Wednesday, July 23
Tuesday, July 29
Wednesday, June 11
Tuesday, June 17
Wednesday, June 25
Tuesday, July 1

Please contact Barbara McCrary at mccraba@tulsaschools.org if you would like to volunteer to staff the library on one of the above dates.



PIA Congratulates Our 5th Graders!

The next edition of the
EIS INFORMER
will be published in September.

In 2008-09, we will welcome
our new Informer editor

Jennifer Starr

*The Informer is a publication of the
Eisenhower Parent-Teacher Association.*

PTA President 2007-08 – Rob Wright
Informer Editor – Allison Geary

Constructive Summer Fun!

Bridge the summer "gap" through:

Summer Un-School

with
Madame Munoz.

Student-initiated discovery.
For further information, please contact
Madame Munoz at 622-1473.

A Message from the Eisenhower PTA President

I'd like to thank all of our EIS families for another great year for the school and PTA. We accomplished many things this past year, all thanks to your support and participation! Our fundraising efforts this year broke previous records and are allowing us to do things for our school and our kids, that most other schools can only dream of.

I would also like to thank the outgoing PTA board members:

1st Vice-president, Emily Hill - Thank you for several years of excellent service.

Treasurer, Blake Johnson - Thank you for two years as treasurer, the unsung hero!

Secretary, Karen Jones - Thank you for two years of service, as you quietly kept track of all the details of our meetings.

PTA Delegate, Steven Benway - Thank you for your service as liaison between the EIS unit and the Tulsa PTA council.

I would also like to recognize and thank all of the committee chairs, and all of the parent volunteers who make everything possible. We could not have accomplished any of these wonderful things as a PTA unit without all of your fine efforts and ideas.

Last, I would like to thank Mrs. Strow and our EIS teachers and staff, who are such an important positive influence on our children. I speak for all parents when I say you are what makes EIS the best!

I hope you all have a great summer!

— *Rob Wright, PTA President 2007-08*



Eisenhower THANKS our Spring Fling volunteers for a great event!

The Spring Fling volunteers were:

Johnna Walker, Janna Moss, Miranda Pautler, Tracy Sanford, Hannah & Chris Middlebrook, Jessica Chippis, Kim & Ethan Warlick (and Kim's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Hutton), Shelley Spaeth, Jennifer Barcus-Schafer & Scott Schafer, Diane Pfeifer, Jessica Holtzschler, Mark Brewin, Hailey Hopkins, Angelica Paredes, Dawn Bollinger, Jennifer Maloy, Cary & Steve Curtis, Shirley Brasel, Cheryl Childress, Ashley Lewis, and Glenn & Sutton Murray.

THANKS, TOO, to the EIS FOUNDATION

for sponsoring the appearance at EIS of T.U. Assistant Professor of Physics Jerry McCoy who brought "magic" to the EIS gym in his presentation about why things are moving, flying, and making noise as a result of some seemingly invisible power. (*See related resources info on page 11.*)

Odds & Ends



PTA sponsored Skate Night @ Skateland on 11th and Sheridan. May 28th from 6-8pm. Free!

EIS Night at Chili's

Plan to dine-in or carry-out food at Chili's (51st & Harvard) on Monday, May 19th from 3:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Chili's will donate 10% of proceeds back to EIS! Look for your red flier coming home soon. The Teacher with most participation from students wins a dinner for two!



Fundraiser Last Calls!

Last call to turn in old cell phones to recycle and Spiffy's dry cleaning receipts (April & May only). Also, please remember to continue to search the web at goodsearch.com and shop at goodshop.com – all of this benefits our school!

French K News

An update about the Boxtops for Education: So far FK has collected 1,330 Box Tops. We welcome additional contributions to help us reach 2,000 before the end of the school year!

Also – We offer simple but heartfelt THANK YOU to all our parents for...

volunteering for field trips, sending snacks, sending supplies,
keeping track of blue envelopes, filling out and returning forms,
donating food for luncheons, participating in PTA,
bringing teacher gifts, doing all the extra things you do,
for being so quick to respond whenever we have a need...

and *most of all* for sending us such well-cared for and wonderful children to work with every day!

EIS PARENTS ARE THE BEST!!!!

– Mme. Weller & Mme. Rose

Scouting News



Cub Scout Pack 318 News

Current Kindergarten Boys are invited to attend Pack 318's last Cub Scout meeting of the year! Come eat free ice cream and see how much fun scouting can be with other Eisenhower scouts!

Join us May 20 at 6:45 in the EIS Outdoor Learning Center. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Pfeifer, at diane.pfeifer@tulsatech.org or 495-1340. See you there!

Girl Scout News

3rd Grade Brownie Troop #337 is enjoying its final days as Brownies and looks forward to being **Junior Girl Scouts** next year. At our last meeting, we said farewell to some friends who are leaving our troop next year and we said thanks to Mrs. Bruns, who has served as our terrific cookie manager for three years. We also made our final plans for the horseback riding outing on May 31st.

1st Grade Brownie Troop #196 celebrated a wonderful year of scouting with a Court of Awards ceremony on May 7th, 2008. The picture at right shows the retirement gift the troop made for Ms. Mae Terry, EIS custodian. Each flower petal is a scout's thumb print.

Girl Scouts have a program level for every elementary age girl. If you are interested in learning more about Girl Scouts for your daughter, please contact Girl Scout School Coordinator for EIS, [Dyanna Mortadha](#).



Cub Scout Pack 318 and the EIS Girl Scout Troops are proud to be Partners in Education with Eisenhower!

French Camp

July 2008 Eisenhower Language immersion French Camp
Mme Weller (251-8337) et Mme Barnes

**Fun and Friendship en français to help get your student's back
into the swing of immersion.**

We are so grateful to our friends at B'nai Emunah for allowing us to use their wonderful classroom facilities for French Camp this summer.

This year we will be offering two separate weeks of French Immersion Camp. Each week will be a stand alone event with its own Friday Performance to show off what we have learned. Week one is July 21-25. Week two is July 28 – August 1. 8:00 – noon each day.

Each week will include arts and crafts, songs and ditties, rhymes, and games – tout en français! Snacks are included. We love doing this every summer and look forward to another great time!

Who: Any student interested in French immersion K - 5
When: July 21 - 25, or July 28 – Aug 1, or both weeks; 8:00am - noon
Where: B'nai Emunah preschool facilities – 17th and Peoria (1719 S Owasso)
How Much: \$100 per week. Discount - \$20 off for the second week, or for siblings.
This includes a \$50 non-refundable deposit

Registration due by June 1, 2008

1. Yes! Sign my child up for French Camp! Week 1 Week 2 Both

2. Student _____ Age _____ 08-09 grade _____

3. Parent/guardian name _____

4. Phone numbers _____

5. Summer address _____

I have included deposit of \$50 only. Remainder will be paid on the first day of camp.

I have included total of \$100

I have enclosed \$ _____

Please return this registration to Mme Weller by June 1, 2008.

Please make checks payable to Mme Weller.



Science Resources for Kids

EIS Foundation Science Show

DURING AND AFTER THIS WEEK'S SCIENCE SHOW, THE KIDS HAD SO MANY QUESTIONS FOR MR. MCCOY THAT WE WANTED TO PROVIDE PARENTS WITH A SMALL LIST OF SCIENCE RESOURCES.

Barbara McCrary's Suggested Science Resource List (available at the public library):

Authors: Janice Van Cleave, Neil Ardley, David Macaulay

Videos: Bill Nye (the science guy), Magic School Bus

Website: <http://kids.tulsalibrary.org/homework/science.htm>

A partial list of Dewey Decimal numbers for topics your child might want to investigate:

<i>Dewey Decimal #</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Dewey Decimal #</i>	<i>Topic</i>
J 500's	Science	J 538	Magnetism
J 508	Natural History	J 540	Chemistry
J 520's	Astronomy & Space	J 550's	Earth Sciences & Weather
J 530's	Physics & Energy	J 570's	Life Sciences
J 531	Force	J 577, J 578	Ecosystems & Habitats
J 534 & J 535	Sound & Light	J 600's	Technology

Adrienne Elder's, TPS Science Resource Teacher, Suggested Readings and Activities 2008

Backyard Science: Shar Levine and Leslie Johnstone. Levine. Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 2005. ISBN: 1402715196

Nature Crafts for Kids: Gwen Diehn and Terry Krautwurst. Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 1992. ISBN: 0-8069-8372-8

Science Arts: Mary Ann Kohl and Jean Potter. Bright Ring Publishing Co., 1993. ISBN: 0-935607-04-8

Physical Science Activities for Grades 2-8: Marvin N Tolman and James O. Morton. Parker Publishing Co., Inc. 1986. ISBN: 0-13-669797-6

You Can with Beakman: Science Stuff You Can Do: Jok Church. Andrews and McMeel (A Universal Press Syndicate Company). ISBN: 0-8362-7004-5

Excellent on-line resources may be found at The Exploratorium <http://www.exploratorium.edu/>

The Tulsa Zoo has a tremendous array of high interest science related activities for children. Emily Mortimer Education Director 918-669-6222

The Tulsa Air and Space Museum offers engaging science experiences for kids of all ages. Kandi Kurt Education Director 918-834-9900.

The Rogers County Conservation District's Nature Preserve offers amazing opportunities for children and their families to learn about native Oklahoma plants, animals, and aquatic life. This is a must do!
<http://www.rogerscountyconservationdistrict.org/>