Time flies when you're having fun! We had a great October, including a very successful Wild Walk and Chili Challenge.

November is just as busy, so be sure and keep your eye on the calendar of events. We will have Muffins for Moms on Friday, November 4th from 6:50 to 7:30 a.m. The PTA book fair begins on the 4th and on the 8th will be Family Book Fair night, followed by the 3rd grade PTA program. Hope you can join us!

The district is beginning the process of creating school attendance boundaries for the new schools that are being built and will open next fall. I wanted to mention that Corbell will not be involved in any attendance boundary changes since none of the new elementary schools will affect our attendance.

I hope everyone has a great November!

David Wehmeyer, Principal
November Dates to Remember
Nov. 4        Muffins for Moms 6:50-7:30am
Nov. 4-10  Book Fair-Library-7:30-3:30
Nov. 8        Book Fair Family Night 6-8pm
                PTA meeting 6:30pm
                --3rd grade performance--
Nov. 9        Chick-fil-a Spirit Night
Nov. 11      Rufus the Recycling Dog visits
Nov. 15      Room Parent Meeting 9:30 am
                --Winter Party Planning-cafe--
Nov. 15      Texas Recycles Day
Nov. 15-16 Spirit Store during lunch
Nov. 17      Critterman visits Corbell
Nov. 19      Tootie Pie Company Spirit Night
Nov. 21-25 Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 30      Mooyah Spirit Night

Would you like to see what is for sale at the Spirit Store? Check it out online by clicking here!

CORBELL SWEATSHIRTS are HERE!!!
Order forms are available in the front office and on the website! Orders will be picked up each Friday and delivered the following Friday.

Don’t forget t-shirt & yard sign forms are also available in the front office and on the website, so you don’t have to wait until the next Spirit Store to get them!

Attention Corbell Parents & Staff
If you have taken any pictures at recent Corbell events, such as Family Fun Night or the Wild Walk, and are willing to have them included in the PTA scrapbook or yearbook, please email them to historian@corbellpta.org

Mahalo!
Book Fair
Will Be Open
Friday, November 4
10:00-3:30
Monday - Thursday
November 7 - 10
7:30-3:30
Tuesday Evening, Nov. 8
6:00-7:30

Family Night
Tuesday, November 8th
6:00-7:30 PM

Volunteer!
to sign up
just click
HERE

Teacher Wish Lists:
Help build
classroom libraries
& improve
children’s
reading skills
by purchasing
teacher
selected books.
Classroom Wish List baskets will be located inside the Book Fair.

Comming to a Galaxy Near You!!
Donate your spare change
Scholastic’s “One for Books” program
benefiting The Corbell Library
This year the donations will be used to bring in new books to our own library. What a wonderful way to show our students how important books are!!

Lunch With A Loved One!!
Come have lunch with your kids and shop the book fair!

Preschool Story Time
Tuesday & Wednesday
November 8th and 9th @ 10am
Open to the public, so bring your friends!

www.corbellpta.org/home/book_fair
Communication with your child

As your child gets older and becomes more independent, we might forget to tell them how much they mean to us on a daily basis. All people, children and adults, like to hear that they are special and loved. There are two key times of day you can spread that love. Just before your child leaves for school or you leave for work and just before bedtime.

If your child responds to you saying I love you with an “I know,” or “Aw mom or Aw dad.” Try one of these other ways to express your love to them.

- “You are important to me.”
- “You brighten my day.”
- “You mean the world to me.”
- “You are precious.”
- “You did that well.”
- “What a good job you did.”
- “You made my day.”
- “You worked hard. I am proud of you.”
- Give your child a hug.
- Give your child a kiss.

For more Counselor news, please visit my webpage at: http://teachersites.schoolworld.com/webpages/CounselorRamsey/

Angel Tree Drive

Each year the schools in Frisco hold the Angel Tree Drive. The Angel Tree Drive is a gift donation program to help out underprivileged students in the Frisco area.

During the month of November, students can bring in gifts for kids that their classroom has sponsored. Classrooms typically sponsor one “Angel.” We try to give each grade level a student that is around their age. This way the kids can help pick out gifts for their “Angel.”

We truly appreciate your support for this program. We have always had a wonderful turn out from our generous community.

Please look for more information coming home with your child about this opportunity!!

Keep that Island Beat

Corbell 3rd grade will perform

“This Is America”

On Tuesday, November 8th following the 6:30 PTA meeting.

Please have your student wear their red 2011 Wild Walk Shirts and jeans. Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts may wear their uniform for the performance. All friends, family, and Veterans are welcome to attend the performance.

Corbell 4th grade will perform at the annual Frisco Square Merry Main Street

On Saturday, December 3rd in Frisco Square
The event will be from 5:00-8:00 pm
Our final performance time is TBD

Please wear your red 2011 Wild Walk Shirts, jeans, and seasonal items (scarves, mittens, Santa hats, etc)

If it is C-C-C-Cold as it was last year, we will wear coats on stage.

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Say “Aloha” to a Great Book
with Mrs. Thompson, Librarian

Join the Corbell Elementary Birthday Book Club!

Celebrate your child’s birthday or special occasion by donating a book to the school library. Each book that is donated will have a special book plate placed on the inside cover to honor your child’s birthday. Your child will be the first one to "check out" the birthday book. After reading the book, your child will return it to the library to be enjoyed by other Corbell students.

The Birthday Book Club is a program in which you can celebrate your child’s birthday in a special way. You don’t have to wait for an exact birthday—you can join anytime! Half-birthdays are fun to celebrate, too. Books may also be purchased in honor or memory of a special teacher or individual!

How to donate a book:

Go to: funds4books.com Enter code FE81 to view Corbell Library’s web page.

Click donate now.

Select $16 book donation.

In the "donated by/message" field, enter "Birthday Book."

Enter the student’s name in the field “on behalf of.”

Enter payment information.

Credit cards, debit cards, and electronic checks are accepted.

Please email Kelli Thompson at thompske@friscoisd.org if you have any questions.

Healthy Habits
Foster Healthy Lifestyles!

• Stay Active: Get at least 60 minutes of physical activity each day

• Fuel Up: Eat at least five servings of fruits and vegetables a day

• Stay Hydrated: Drink eight servings of water daily to promote a healthy body

For more information on developing healthy behaviors in our children, please visit PTA.org/GoodChoices

Healthy lifestyles start with a balanced and nutritious diet. Make your plate colorful!
What do you get when you cross a gaggle of cool kids in red shirts, a crazy surfer lady with a microphone, a patriotic balloon arch, tons of parent worker-bees and the most perfect weather imaginable???? The 6th Annual Wild Walk, of course. I was so proud, once again, to be a part of Corbell's amazing walk-a-thon fundraiser. It's incredible to see so many volunteers come together for a common purpose and pull off such a wonderful event.

My most sincere gratitude goes out to:

• Michelle Cassano and the Wild Walk Committee!
• The parent volunteers who came out to cheer, mark laps, serve water, take photos and cheer some more!
• The Corbell administration and staff for giving the PTA their complete support of this great event!
• The Wild Walk sponsors, without whom the Wild Walk could not exist!
• The 600+ Corbell students who walked and ran their little hearts out!
• Piper Pipeline (aka Laurie Deckert) for spending the day in a wetsuit and making the event so much fun for our kids!
• Mayor Maso, Jeff Cheney and the FISD School Board members who showed up to support Corbell!
• And finally, the countless donors who have filled pledge envelopes with money for our school!!

You surely know by now that we have surpassed our goal of $25,000! The PTA Playground Shade Cover Committee has begun the process of gathering information about vendors, measurements, city permits, installation schedules and of course, pricing. We'll keep you posted.

In the meantime, November is packed with PTA activities for your family! Mark your calendar for the Fall Book Fair (4th-10th), PTA regular meeting and 3rd grade performance (8th), Critterman (17th), and the PTA Spirit Store (16th-17th). Details on everything related to PTA are here in the newsletter and also available on our website: www.corbellpta.org. Check it out!

Aloha!

Kathy Mecom
Corbell PTA President
THREE TIPS TO HELP PREVENT BULLYING

brought to you by the national PTA

Ask Questions

Asking questions about your child’s day will help strengthen your relationship and help you know whether or not your child is being bullied. Make it a habit to talk about your child’s school day. Ask about experiences on the way to and from school; ask about recess on the school playground, lunch time in the cafeteria and experiences in the classroom. Taking time out of your day to talk to your child will have many benefits. Make sure you ask questions to have your child divulge deeper information. Find out who their friends are, why they are having a good or bad day, and how they treat other children.

Get Involved

If you hear that your child is being bullied do not ignore it. This will tell your child that bullying is ok. Give your child the proper support by taking cases of bullying seriously. Never tell your child that this may be their fault. Instead encourage your child to report the incident to a teacher or staff member. If the situation does not improve or stop it will be important for you to contact the teacher or school.

Stay Calm

It may not be easy to hear that your child is being bullied. However, it is important to stay calm in order to handle the situation appropriately. Talk to your child about not resorting to verbal or physical retaliation. When speaking to teachers or school staff, remember to use specific information and not let your emotions take over. Getting upset will not help ease the situation, nor will it help reach a solution.

It’s SO Easy Being GREEN at Corbell!

The PTA is proud to present two new “Green Zone” recycling centers at Corbell. The first will be conveniently located right inside the main entrance to the school. Here, you will be able to recycle:

- Plastic grocery bags
- Cell phones
- Printer cartridges
- Batteries
- Shoes

The second Green Zone will enhance the recycling already being done in the cafeteria. Students will separate recyclable items from their lunch trash. These include:

- Aluminum
- Steel
- Tin
- Plastics #1-5 and 7
- Glass
- Juice, chip and candy packaging

What a great opportunity for our students to have a hand in taking care of their planet! Look for these recycling centers to be available beginning November 11th, when Rufus the Recycling Dog will visit us during the Celebrate Corbell Assembly.

The City of Frisco and FISD are holding their annual “recycle” collection competition. The items being collected this year are batteries. The collection will run from November 7th to November 18th. Schools at each level will be competing with each other to collect the most batteries, and the winning schools will win prizes from the City of Frisco. Batteries can be dropped off at our convenient Green Zone recycling station in the main entrance.

Give Yourself A Round Of ApPAWS!

Thank you to everyone that donated items for our Barktoberfest “reuse” collection. Many animals at the Frisco Humane Society will benefit greatly from these donations.
WILD WALK UPDATE

We are so thrilled to report that this year’s Wild Walk was an enormous success thanks to all of the wonderful support from our Corbell families! The students and teachers had a great time running and walking their laps during the Wild Walk. A big thank you goes out to our Wild Walk emcee, “Piper Pipeline,” and all of the parents and families who came out to volunteer and cheer on the students.

I am thrilled to report that we met our goal of $25,000 and surpassed it at over $32,000 through the generosity of friends and family. We are actively getting bids for a sunshade for the playground and hope to have information on that by the November 8th PTA regular meeting. Because of our success, Mr. Wehmeyer spent the entire day on roller blades, and he and Mrs. Bustillos got slimed!

It’s not too late to bring in donations, and don’t forget about corporate matching programs. Find out if your company participates in this program.

Here again is a list of our extremely generous sponsors. When you are looking for services, please consider visiting these businesses and letting them know how much Corbell appreciates their support. Without them the Wild Walk would not be as successful.

One2One Restaurant
Pet Head
Jumpstreet
The Cheney Group – Keller Williams Realty
Crazy About the Mouse
Domino’s Pizza of West Frisco
Frisco Mini Molars
Frisco On-Line
Frisco Spinal Rehabilitation
Jerit Davis, DDS and Associates Family Dentistry
Pediatric Specialists of Plano
Sharkey’s Cuts for Kids
Distinctively Hers
Frisco Sports Center
Janice Berg - Ebby Halliday Realtors
Palio’s Pizza

Congratulations to all of our Winners!!

MOST MONEY BROUGHT IN:
Kindergarten – Emory Sparkman
1st grade – Mason Cheney
2nd grade – Connor Cassano
3rd grade – Rebecca Corominas
(4th grade- Paul and Harrison Torres
5th grade – Cameron Miller

Mrs. Smittle’s 3rd grade class brought in the most money with over $2200 and earned a pizza party from Palio’s.

Kindergarten brought in the most money as a grade and get to have extra recess time.

MOST LAPS IN EACH GRADE:
Kindergarten girl - Emory Sparkman (19 laps)
Kindergarten boy - Alden Hill & Connor Morrison (tied with 20 laps)
1st grade girl - Lily Velo (20 laps)
1st grade boy - Caleb Drake (23 laps)
2nd grade girl - Alexis Johnson (25 laps)
2nd grade boy - Austin McAleavy (25 laps)
3rd grade girl - Natalie Cox (26 laps)
3rd grade boy - Carter Johnson (26 laps)
4th grade girl - Ella McManus (23 laps)
4th grade boy - Kevin Rychel (29 laps)
5th grade girl - Emma Monson & Christina Nguyen (tied with 25 laps)
5th grade boy - Ryan Chester (30 laps)

Ryan Chester and Natalie Cox won the first ever Golden Shoe Award for running the most laps overall for a boy and girl.

100% CLASS PARTICIPATION RECEIVES A POPCORN PARTY:
Mrs. Schroeder – 1st grade
Mrs. Freeman – 3rd grade
Mrs. Smittle – 3rd grade

‘PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY’
We had one very lucky student’s name drawn: Congratulations Avery Schelin!

TEACHER WITH THE MOST LAPS:
Mrs. Schettler with 28 laps