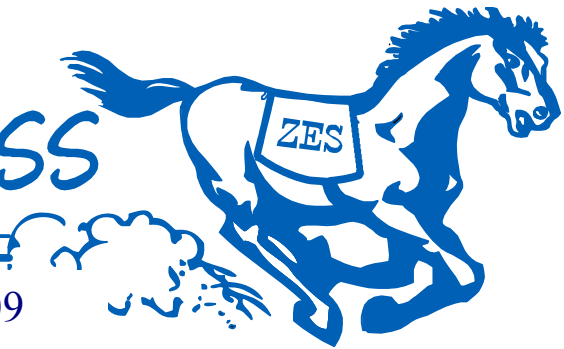


# Pony Express



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**May 1**  
Fun Friday  
(Free Dress)

**May 4**  
Return "at home"  
textbooks

**May 5**  
April/May  
Star Student Breakfast

**May 5-9**  
Teacher Appreciation  
Week

**May 6**  
Art Show 5:30-7:00  
AR Night 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
4:30

**May 7**  
AR Night 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
4:30

**May 8**  
Last day for checks

**May 14**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Awards  
Program  
Spring Program (see  
website for details)

**May 15**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Awards  
Program (see website  
for details)

**May 19**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Day

**May 20**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Day

**May 21**  
Last Day of School

Parents,

As we are coming to the close of another school year, I am sure that many of you are making plans for your family's summer activities. You may be planning your family vacation, signing your children up for swimming lessons, looking forward to ball games and planning other fun outings. These are all very important for your family. Equally important is helping your child maintain their academic skills over the summer. As we break for summer vacation, your child's skills will be at their best. It is our desire to provide you with some tools to help your son or daughter throughout the summer.

A good way of helping your child maintain their skills is by providing them with good literature to read. This summer we, *as well as the local library*, will be offering to each of your children a *Summer Reading List*. I want to encourage you and your child to visit the library of your choice to explore a vacation paradise not even money can buy.

I would like to thank the ZEPO for another successful school year and for all the funding and activities that they provided for the students of Zachary Elementary!

Also, many thanks to the entire staff for their help in making the volunteer breakfast a huge success. It's truly a team effort that we could not have done without all of your help! In addition, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate each of our students on a fantastic year! Best wishes to our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students as they transition to Copper Mill next fall. Each of you have worked very hard and gained valuable knowledge that will benefit you for the rest of your life.

Thanks, also, to each of our staff members for your commitment and dedication to our students. Your extra time and effort, most of which extends beyond the school day, is greatly appreciated! Parents, your support and commitment to your child's education is vital and appreciated. Thank you.

**Wishing each of you a safe and enjoyable summer break!**

Patrick Jenkins



## P.E Department

We see the light at the end of the tunnel!!!

School is almost out for summer! Please remember to encourage your children to play outside at least an hour a day. The exercise is good for them. We are wrapping up Mustang Milers and had quite a few that made the 25 mile club!

Field day is on the horizon. The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will have their Field day on May 19 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be on May 20. A note will soon be going home with the students for any parents who would like to volunteer to help out on that day! The Field Day T-shirts will be given out to those who purchased one the day before their field day events. Please make sure your child wears tennis shoes on field day. Hope to see you there!

P.E. Staff

## Library

The E.B.R. Parish Library announces that registration for the 2009 Summer Reading Program will begin on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sign up at the Zachary Branch to earn fabulous prizes such as:

\* Free LASM tour

\* Free snowball

\* Free mini meal from Popeye's

\* Free French fries from McDonald's

And much more!

**\* Last day to return library books without a fine is May 4<sup>th</sup>!**

## Speech

May is better speech and hearing month. Do you need your hearing screened? The speech pathology (Intervention) department will assist teachers, staff, and students.

Thank you,  
Clara Wicker and Gail Robins



This has been an awesome year! We'd like to thank the parents and students for your participation in making it so successful. Each day it's amazing to see how much our second graders have grown and learned.

The last month will be very busy for us. As well as all of the work we will be doing to prepare for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, we will also have many activities. The last AR night for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be May 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 6:30. (Students who reach 20 AR points for the year will have an Accelerated Reader party on May 18<sup>th</sup>.) Also on May 6<sup>th</sup>, there will be an Art show in the auditorium from 5:30-7:00. Our Spring Musical and Awards program will be May 14<sup>th</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade field day will be May 19<sup>th</sup>.

While we will be busy preparing for these many fun activities, please remind your child to pay careful attention to their work. The last nine- weeks is very important to your child's overall grade. A "D" or an "F" in Reading or Math will be considered for retention. Please help us by continuing to encourage your child to study each night.

Nicholas Mazzarella

Jessica Robinson

Paige Veal

Leah Willcut

Christian Seymore

Maliah Askins

Bre'ana Smith

Reed Ladnier

Misty King

Kendall Kelley

Tiphanie Jordan

Titus Lucas

Vincent Gregory

Angelique Alexander

Makenna Tunstall

Jacob Elston

Tenae Durham

Connor Maloy

Klaytin Webb

De'Laijah Ferguson

Jessica Staggs

Nick Touns

Corey Mason

Bryce Latino

Kaleigh Carter

Kimberly Spring

Emily Hunt

LeAnne Sorrel

It is hard to believe that we are coming to a close on the 2008-2009 school year. The third grade teachers would like to thank all parents for your continued support and cooperation in educating your child. We will be spending the remaining month of school preparing students for their fourth grade curriculum. We would like to encourage you to allow your child to participate in the summer reading program at the Zachary public library. This is an excellent way to keep students "tuned up" in their reading skills. A recommended reading list will be available at the library. Students may use these books toward their fourth grade reading goal. Also, please review multiplication facts with your child daily. Children tend to forget the facts when they aren't consistently practiced. We hope everyone has a pleasant and safe summer.



### Bonnie Cabbage Plant Project

Bonnie provided a free cabbage plant for each 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student and offers a \$1000.00 savings bond to one of the largest cabbages grown in each state.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders and ZHS are also making a garden at school so that classes can compare growth of the school cabbages and those taken home.

If you have any questions about growing your cabbage plants, email the Zachary High School Ag Department at [zhsffa@gmail.com](mailto:zhsffa@gmail.com) or search the Bonnie Plant website at [www.bonnieplants.com](http://www.bonnieplants.com). All cabbage pictures must be turned in by mid May.

We would also like to thank the ZHS students and Mrs. Conerly for coming out and helping our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders with this project.

**Please send any picture of your cabbage to Mrs. Singleton to be put on our cabbage board.**

May 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>

Early

Dismissal

1:30



Last Day of

School

May 21<sup>st</sup>!