



**Mile Run Friday at Lamar High School  
Grades 3-5**

**From the Principal's Pen**

I would like to include a brief reminder about cell phones and use of other electronic devices on campus....



To prevent distractions during the school day, use of cell phones, I-Pods, MP3 Players, and other electronic devices are not allowed on campus during school hours. In support of this district policy, Poe Elementary would like to remind students and parents that these devices should be turned off and kept in

backpacks during the school day. The district's Student Code of Conduct outlines possible consequences for violating this policy, including confiscation of the communication devices. Keep in mind, too, that as we approach our Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills testing window, test security requires that phones not be in the room during testing sessions, as this could possibly compromise the confidentiality of the test.

As always, we thank you for your continued support in making Poe Elementary and outstanding place for our students!

*- C. Gonzales*

**Cupid Grazes in Greener Pastures**

Thanks to the 5th grade class of 2008 and Poe parents Sheri Brudner, Kevin McCarthy and Monique Gamble, "Cupid" the cow has moooved outside to graze on the green grass of the school's front yard.

"We wanted to use the funds left over from last year's 5th grade class to put Cupid outside. Fortunately, Kevin stepped in and offered to anchor her in the ground for free. Now we're going to use the money to purchase and install a spotlight that will shine on Cupid at night," Brudner said.

**Yearbook Ad Workshop This Thursday**

Pay tribute to your child or advertise your business with a great-looking, creative ad in the Poe Yearbook. There will be a special workshop on layout and design this Thursday, Feb. 19 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. in the school's computer lab. Poe parents and business owners who plan to place an ad in this year's book are encouraged attend.

Don't forget that the cost to purchase the 2008-2009 yearbook goes up on March 1, so place your orders today at school or online at [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com).

**Valentine's Day a Sweet Success**

Love was in the air on and off the Poe Elementary campus on Valentine's Day. At school, student's enjoyed an afternoon of making crafts and exchanging sentiments of friendship and caring for their fellow students. Thanks to all of the parents who volunteered their time in the classroom to assist with the parties.

Other parents showed their love for Poe by attending the Valentine Luncheon held in the beautiful garden of Mary and John Daly. Thanks to Bonnie McMillian, Mary Daly, Angela Nix, and many other parent volunteers, this fundraiser was truly a sweet success.



**Next PTO Meeting**

**Monday, March 3 at 8 a.m.**

**February/March Events**

**Thursday 2.19**

Black History Month Program

**Friday 2.20**

Mile Run at Lamar High

**Friday 2.27**

Go Texan Day

**Thursday 3.12**

Evening with the Arts Grades 1& 2  
at 6:30 p.m.

**Friday 3.13**

12:30 p.m. Dismissal for Spring Break

**Monday 3.21**

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