



# Tobasko Times



# Ordinary to Extraordinary

## Save the Date!

**10/30 Trunk or Treat  
and  
Spirit Day: Orange  
and Black Day**

~ Lisa Perrin ~

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# From the Nurse:



## Is it a cold, or the flu?

Cold	Flu
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slow onset</li> <li>• No (mild) fever</li> <li>• Mild exhaustion</li> <li>• Severe or hacking cough</li> <li>• Usually no headache</li> <li>• Normal appetite</li> <li>• Usually no muscle aches</li> <li>• Usually no chills</li> <li>• Sore throat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sudden onset</li> <li>• High fever</li> <li>• Severe exhaustion</li> <li>• Dry cough</li> <li>• Headache</li> <li>• Decreased appetite</li> <li>• Muscle aches</li> <li>• Chills</li> <li>• Usually no sore throat</li> </ul>



## DRESS CODE REMINDERS:

- ⇒ No cargo pants
- ⇒ Blue jeans only on Fridays (no tears or designs, only blue color)
- ⇒ Only green or white spirit shirts may be worn every day. Other Spirit shirts may only be worn on Tobasco Days.



Ms. Spanolios holding  
*Olweus* training video

## Bullying Prevention Program begins at St. Rose Elementary School

All schools deal with the issue of bullying. St. Rose Elementary School is taking proactive steps to prevent and stop bullying by adopting the *Olweus Bullying Prevention Program*. This research-based schoolwide “systems-change” program has been used successfully in schools all over the country and around the world with positive results.

This program is not a curriculum that students participate in for only a few weeks. Rather, it is a coordinated effort by all the adults in the school to supervise and intervene when any bullying happens. As part of the program, students participate in weekly class meetings to learn about the effects of bullying, what they can do about it, and how they can work with adults at school to put a stop to it, even as bystanders. Parents will meet, too, so they can support the messages students are getting in school.

Lisa Perrin, St. Rose Elementary School’s principal, said, “This type of program is about changing the whole school climate to make it a safer, more positive place to learn. One change that many schools have noticed after using this program for a year or two is that students actually like school better.”

Implementing the *Olweus Bullying Prevention Program* is a long-term commitment to making St. Rose Elementary School a safer, more positive place to be.

For more information about the program and/or ways to become involved, contact Lisa Perrin, St. Rose Elementary School principal, or Judy Rongey, *Olweus Bullying Prevention Program* Coordinator.

### Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)

Notice: In 1986 all asbestos materials were identified in all school buildings. A management plan was developed for each school as per the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). The management plan is located in a binder in the main office of each school. The binders are available for review upon request.

Since the plan was developed, most of the asbestos has been removed. In a few buildings, some floor tile still remains that contains asbestos. All of the schools meet the health requirements that pertain to the regulation. If you have any questions concerning this topic, please contact Kevin Barney, Director of Physical Plant Maintenance at 985-331-3600 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.



## Library-Technology Connection

### \*Accessing Online Resources from Home/ School

A great site to help students when doing research for reports and projects.

1. Go to the St. Rose home page  
<http://www.stcharles.k12.la.us/strose>
2. Scroll over FOR STUDENTS and click on LIBRARY
3. On the left, click on ONLINE RESOURCES

Click on Worldbook Online Encyclopedia  
(Online Encyclopedia)

Log in: sre (lowercase)

Password: dragons

**\*\*To access Gale Group Resources, the magazine, newspaper, encyclopedia database, follow the same steps 1-3. Then click Gale Student Edition Gold Resources.**

Password: dragons

### **\*\*Access the St. Rose Elementary Library Catalog Online from Home**

-Go to our St. Rose Home Page

<http://www.stcharles.k12.la.us/strose>

-Scroll over FOR STUDENTS and click on LIBRARY

-On the left, click on LIBRARY CATALOG

### **Homework Assistance Offered Through State Library of Louisiana**

The State Library of Louisiana offers homework assistance services to parents and students at [www.homeworkla.org](http://www.homeworkla.org). Homework Louisiana offers free online tutoring and academic resources from Tutor.com for Louisiana residents from kindergarten students through adult learners. Get help in math, science, social studies or English from a live tutor. The services can be accessed from a Louisiana public library, your home computer or your mobile device.

## Library Nook



### Magical Reads

Welcome back library lovers!

Librarian- C. Whittaker

Assistant- L. Benedic

**\*\* Our school wide reading program, Magical Reads, will begin this month.**

- All students have received his/her first reading log. Please record all titles/chapters, sign it, and return it to the library.

- Reading Incentive Prizes will be given at the end of each month to every student who turns in a log.

**\*Logs are due by the last Thursday of each month.**

### Book Fair Week- Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>- Oct. 23

Please drop by during Parent – Teacher Conference Days to purchase some great books and to help support our school library.

**\*All Kindergarten students will begin library checkout this month.**





## Save The Date!!

### ACM & SRE's Community Outreach Parent/Community Olweus Kickoff

Come join us to see what our community has to offer and what you can offer the community!

**Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 4:30 - 6:30 pm @ ACM**

This fun family event will showcase businesses, organizations, clubs, and more... all available to the families of ACM and SRE as we focus on healthy living. Jambalaya and water will be served, and you'll learn about many things available to community members, as well as things you can do to support the community.



**ALBERT CAMMON**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL



## Dragons Have Spirit!



## Migrant Education Services Available!

- Any child, ages 3 through 21, who moves with parents or guardians to seek or obtain temporary or seasonal employment in agriculture, or fishing-related activities is eligible for the Migrant Education Program. Families qualify if they have moved to work in traditional crops such as: vegetables, dairy, poultry, livestock, fishing and shrimping, and/or timber.
- Migrant Education provides student advocacy within the school district's educational program as well as supplemental educational and supportive services.
- If you believe that your child might qualify for this program and are interested please call the school secretary or stop by the office to complete the Migrant Survey.

## Servicios disponibles para la Educación de Migrantes

- Cualquier niño entre las edades de 3 a 21 años, cuyos padres o representantes legales buscan obtener un empleo temporal o de estación en agricultura o en actividades relacionadas con la pesca, es elegible para el Programa de Educación del Migrante.
- Las familias califican si se han movido al área para trabajar en las cosechas tradicionales como las siguientes: vegetales, lecherías, aves de corral, ganado, pesca, camarones y madera.
- La Educación del Migrante provee ayuda dentro del programa educacional del distrito, como también servicios educacionales suplementarios y servicios de apoyo.
- Si usted cree que su hijo/a puede calificar para este programa y usted está interesado, por favor llame a la secretaria

## Downloading CrisisManager: Parent/Guardian Plan

- Access the app store on your smartphone. (in the APP Store or Google Play)

- Search for **SchoolDude CrisisManager**.
- Install the app to your device.

### Accessing Your Plan

- Open your CrisisManager app from your smartphone.
- Tap **Create Account**.
- Enter your **Email Address** and **Password**.

*\*Note: The password you set must meet the following requirements:*

*Between 8 and 40 characters in length.*

*Have at least one Uppercase character.*

*Have at least one Lowercase character.*

*Have at least one Numeric character.*

*Have at least one Other character.*

- Tap **Create Account** when finished.
- Once your account has been created you will be sent an email confirmation. Click on the link provided in the email to complete the confirmation process.
- After you have completed the confirmation process, you will need to log back into the app. Go back to your CrisisManager app on your smartphone and tap **Back**.
- Enter your **Email Address** and **Password** and tap **Login**.
- Tap on **+ Client Plans**, find **St. Charles Parish Public Schools** in the list, and select it.
- Tap on **Parent/Guardian Emergency Guide**.
- The plan will then download and appear on your CrisisManager home page.
- Tap on the plan to view.

## Dragon Night Fun!

Parents learned a lot about helping their children at home!



## Counselors' Corner



October is a special month for our students because we have a very special week dedicated to learning about the benefits of living a healthy, drug-free life. This week is called Red Ribbon Week and will be held October 26-30. During this week, we will teach counseling lessons on saying no to drugs and alcohol, and students will participate in many drug prevention activities. The students' favorite activity ends the week and is known as Trunk or Treat. Our students look forward to saying "NO to Drugs!" and participating in these yearly school activities. Thank you for all that you do each day to support your child/children.

We are truly working hard to make this year MAGICAL!  
Celebrating being drug-free at S.R.E.!

Denise Peinado and Katie Gabriel  
School Counselors

# ESL Corner

Our ELL students are now working on writing personal narratives. They indeed learn how to write stories about themselves including details and feelings. They are expected to write personal stories for the English test that will take place in February and March 2016. Kindergarten students are learning how to introduce themselves in the ESL class using complete sentences. They are doing a tremendous job!

Saint Rose Elementary School would like to thank the families for participating in our first ESL lunch and for sharing the delicious food from their countries. Our next ESL lunch at Saint Rose will be November 19 from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. We cannot wait to see you again!

Nuestros estudiantes están aprendiendo a escribir narraciones personales. Escriben composiciones incluyendo detalles y sentimientos. Tendrán que escribir narraciones personales para el examen de ingles en febrero y marzo del 2016. Los estudiantes de Kindergarten están aprendiendo a presentarse en ingles en oraciones completas. Están trabajando bien!

La Escuela Elementaria de Saint Rose quiere agradecer a todas las familias que participaron en el almuerzo para los padres que hablan otro idioma. Gracias para compartir la comida de sus respectivos países. Nuestro próximo almuerzo en Saint Rose tendrá lugar el jueves 19 de noviembre de las doce a la 1:30pm.

¡Esperamos volver a verlos de nuevo!



## **Going....Going....**

### **A few S.R.E. yearbooks are still for sale!!**

*Remember last year with 48 beautiful color pages highlighting students, staff, accomplishments, and fun activities!*



**Price: \$18 (cash only, please)**

**Student name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher's name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Get yours before they are gone!!**





## CONGRATULATIONS!

The following students were winners in the Louisiana Writes! contest:

### 3rd-4th Grade NF

Bradly Hubbard (2nd place) *What Causes Flooding in Louisiana*

Connor Finnell (3rd place) *Why Sharks Attack*

### K-2 Fiction

Ella Munaco (1st place) *Pumpkin and a Halloween Bat*

Saniya Abbas (2nd place) *Cat and Mouse*

### 3rd-4th grade Fiction

Bradly Hubbard (1st place) *The Wolf*



## Sign in and Sign out Procedures

Anyone checking out a student must have a **picture ID** and be listed on the emergency card.

Anyone signing in a student must bring the student to the school office specialist's desk and complete a tardy slip.

## Bus Notes!!

Riding any bus other than the one assigned to you is not allowed without permission from the office.



*If this is necessary, a **written note** must be sent from home requesting a bus change, and permission must be granted through the principal's office.*

All notes for bus or transportation changes must be given in **writing prior to 2:30 p.m.** each day.

Notes should include your child's full name, the teacher's name, date(s) of the change, and a parent/guardian signature.

**You may fax notes (504-468-8064) or email to: [scureaux@stcharles.k12.la.us](mailto:scureaux@stcharles.k12.la.us) or [cdoriocourt@stcharles.k12.la.us](mailto:cdoriocourt@stcharles.k12.la.us).**



### Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, October 22

Friday, October 23

It's almost time to meet with your child's teacher (s) to discuss his/her progress so far this year. You will have time to review your child's work, ask questions, and find out how you can best support your child's learning.

**\*Look for sign up papers to go home on Monday, October 5th. Please return them promptly.**

**\*Confirmation papers will go home Tuesday, October 13th.**

**\*Don't forget: Students have an early dismissal on P/T Conference days.**

**\*Remember to stop by the Book Fair before or after your child's conference.**

**We look forward to seeing you!**

# Family Center

## St. Rose Elementary Title 1 Family Center Family & School: Together We Can Make a Difference

October



Carol Bowie-Cotton: cbowie@stcharles.k12.la.us

Hours: 8:30am – 3:30pm

Phone: 504-464-9254

Establishing and maintaining a good parent-teacher partnership is important for a successful school year. When parents effectively communicate with their child's teacher, lasting positive, respectful relationships are formed.

Remember to be mindful of what you say in front of your children...**they are listening!**

Parent-teacher conferences are essential building blocks for home-school communication. Teachers need parents to help to do the best job educating each child. Parents provide important perspectives and information. The teacher can, in turn, help parents play an active role in education at home. Children are more likely to succeed in school if they view their parents and teachers working together cooperatively.

Preparation is the key to a successful conference. Here are some things you can do before, during and after the conference.

BEFORE	DURING	AFTER
<p><b>Make a list</b> of things to <b>tell</b> your child's teacher like medical concerns, difficulties in school, sensitive issues, favorite subjects, etc.</p> <p><b>Make a list</b> of things to <b>ask</b> your child's teacher (see list below).</p> <p><b>Let your child know</b> you are having a conference. Ask for input about what should be discussed with the teacher.</p>	<p><b>Be on time.</b> Many conferences are scheduled. Five minutes can throw off their schedule.</p> <p><b>Start the conference on a positive note.</b> Both you and the teacher want what's best for your child.</p> <p><b>Use the list</b> you prepared or the questions below.</p> <p><b>Listen carefully</b> and take notes about your child's progress.</p>	<p><b>Talk over results</b> of the conference with your child.</p> <p><b>Stress the good things</b> the teacher said. Talk about the suggestions made during the conference and how you plan to carry these out.</p>

### Questions for Your Parent-Teacher Conference

Choose the most important questions you would like to ask the teacher. Write any additional comments you want to remember to mention when you are with the teacher.

A list of questions to ask...

Una lista de preguntas como las siguientes...

- **What are my child's strongest and weakest subjects?**

*¿Cuáles son las materias en las que mi niño es más fuerte y más débil?*

- **Does my child hand homework in on time?**

*¿Entrega mi niño la tarea a tiempo?*

- **Does my child participate in class?**

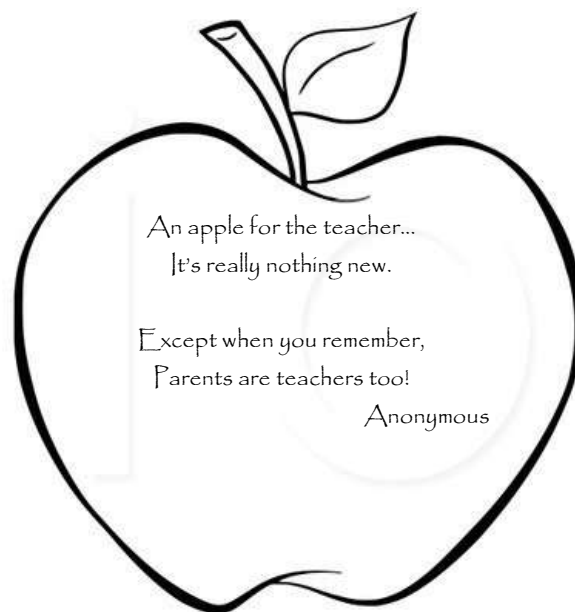
*¿Participa mi niño en la clase?*

- **Does my child seem happy at school?**

*¿Mi niño parece estar feliz en la escuela?*

- **What can I do at home to help?**

*¿Qué puedo hacer en casa para ayudar?*



# Community Spotlight

## Mrs. Queena Woods



Ms. Queena Woods is a faithful volunteer at St. Rose Elementary. She serves on the Parent Action Group and Family & Community Committees. She is the Volunteer and Fundraiser Coordinator for the SRE PTO (Parent/Teacher Organization). She works in the SRE Family Center weekly doing various things for the faculty and staff of SRE. Ms. Queena and her fiancé, Chad, live in the St. Rose Community. Together they have 8 children, and their youngest, Kelci, is in 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Ms. Woods says that she volunteers because she loves SRE and the faculty and staff. She says that she likes to help wherever she is needed, and she enjoys being able to give back to the school and community. Besides volunteering at St. Rose Elementary, Ms. Queena spends much of her time reading, cooking, and going to church. During the month of October, St. Rose Elementary salutes our Community Helper of the month, Ms. Queena Woods.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

My name is Sherry Edwards. I am the Art Teacher at St. Rose Elementary. I am looking forward to a new year and would like to tell you about our art program. Your child will study famous artists, their works and their styles. They will learn about the Elements of Design (line, shape, space, color, value, texture, form) and the Principles of Design (balance, emphasis, contrast, rhythm, unity). Students will be exposed to a wide variety of art mediums (paint, marker, pastel, clay, etc.). Students will learn to critique their own work and the work of many famous artists.

Some of the art materials we use may stain clothing. I highly encourage each child to bring a very large T-shirt to school that can be worn over his/her uniform on the day they have art each week. These T-shirts should be labeled with your child's first and last name, teacher's name as well as his/her grade level.

During the year, we use many items that can be found in your homes. We would appreciate any donations of the following items: yarn, cloth that is shiny or has a texture, magazines, craft items such as wiggly eyes, sequins, glitter, paper or Styrofoam egg cartons, buttons, ribbon, lace, puzzle pieces of any size, greeting and/or holiday cards (used are fine), matte board and small scraps or pieces of wood, dowels, or wooden beads.



Thank you for your support,  
Sherry Edwards



# PTO News

## Thank you so much to all who attended our General Meeting!

The SRE families and staff had a great time enjoying a taste of cookies and milk along with winning some awesome door prizes!

### -Cookie Dough Fundraiser-



**October 1st - October 19th** - Brochures go home on October 1st. See all the details in your brochure packet. Items include varieties of preportioned, ready to bake cookie dough, pizza kits, Cinnabon Cinnamon roll kits, Auntie Anne's Pretzel kits and more! **All funds raised will go back to SRE.**

### -Holiday Gift Shop-



The PTO will host the Holiday Gift Shop for the 3rd year. Let your kids help with the holiday shopping! The students love to be able to choose gifts for family members. A preview day will be **December 4, 2015** where students will walk through the shop and get an idea of things that will be available for purchase.

Sale dates will be **December 7, 2015 - December 11, 2015.**

More information will be sent home as the time approaches.


## It's never too late to join PTO!

The PTO needs support from the families, faculty and staff of SRE. All funds go back to SRE. Every dollar helps our students and teachers!

Parents' Name:		<b>Membership fee is \$5.00 per family.</b>
Child's Name:	Grade:	Homeroom Teacher:
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# OCTOBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Playgroup 10AM	2
5 P/T Conference sign up papers go home	6	7 Volunteer Day 10AM 	8 Playgroup 10AM Return P/T Conference sign up papers	9 Early Dismissal 12:35 pm End Q1
12 FALL BREAK NO SCHOOL	13 Begin Q2 P/T Conference confirmation papers go home  Community Outreach @ Cammon 4:30-6:30 pm	14	15 Playgroup 10AM	16
19 Fall Book Fair Week	20	21	22 Early Dismissal 12:35 pm P/T Conferences 1:15-6:15 pm	23 Early Dismissal 12:35 pm P/T Conferences 1:15-4:15 pm
26 Red Ribbon Week	27	28	29 Playgroup 10AM	30 Trunk or Treat Spirit Day: Orange & Black Day

Tobasko the Dragon is our school mascot. He would love to hear from our SRE parents. If you have any suggestions for school improvement, concerns or input, please write them below and return them with your child. We will print a follow-up in our next newsletter.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions/Ideas/Input/Concerns:

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