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October 2, 2020

Principal's Message

A word from Mrs. Bryant

It might seem like 2020 is the longest year ever, but Christmas is really just around the corner! With COVID restrictions, we will not be having our traditional Christmas programs this year, but we are planning a special drive-through Christmas event for Thursday night, December 10.

We're still working out the details, but be sure to mark your calendars for a new Christmas experience!

Teacher Training

Equity Matters: Developing empathy in the classroom

"In order to empathize with someone's experience, you must be willing to believe them as they see it, and not how you imagine their experience to be." Brene Brown

Teachers have started working on our professional growth goals for our diversity and inclusion strategic plan. Our October 7 Inservice is a part of that plan, but in addition, teachers will be meeting together once a month to talk about strategies and philosophies to promote diversity and inclusion in our classrooms.

Last Wednesday we went through different resources and articles on empathy. We really enjoyed [this Ted Talk](#) about the danger of a single story from Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. Every student, every family, every place is more than a single story and our teachers work hard to develop and cultivate spaces of empathy in their classroom communities.

Birthday Treats

Under COVID restrictions

Birthdays are always a special time for our students and while it's never required, many students like to bring a treat to share with their classmates on their special day.

With our current COVID restrictions, our policy on birthday treats has changed. Students may bring a treat to share, but it must be single serve, pre-wrapped, from a grocery store or commercial kitchen. For example, single-serve Oreo cookies or Little Debbie's or popsicles. If you wanted to bring something in from a local bakery, the bakery would need to prepackage each item separately.

We apologize for the inconvenience, but appreciate your willingness to follow these temporary protocols.

Amazon Smile

An easy way to support RAS

Have you heard about AmazonSmile? AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. Every quarter RAS gets a small amount of money from AmazonSmile and families who are already indicating Rogers as their charity of choice.

Especially with the holiday season approaching, this is a super easy way to support RAS and get your shopping done at the same time! [Learn more about AmazonSmile.](#)

Mile Club!

Fun PE Opportunity

This year in PE, Mr. Kearbey has started a Mile Club! Students run at the beginning of class and their distance is tracked. As a school, students have run 629.68 miles so far. That's like running from College Place to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho and back and then turning around to run back to Coeur d'Alene and then to Athol, Idaho where Silverwood Theme Park is located. Wow!

So far, the top mileage for classes is:

1. Mrs. Solis's class - 89.51 miles
2. Mrs. Thomas's class - 70.51 miles
3. Mrs. Browning's class - 57.50 miles
4. Mrs. Claridge's class - 55.25 miles
5. Mr. Meharry's class - 54.63 miles

Coming up

October 5: No School

October 7: Noon Dismissal.
Teachers in implicit-bias training

October 11: Mrs. Burseth's Birthday!

October 12: Mrs. McCreery's Birthday!

October 20: RAS Board Meeting

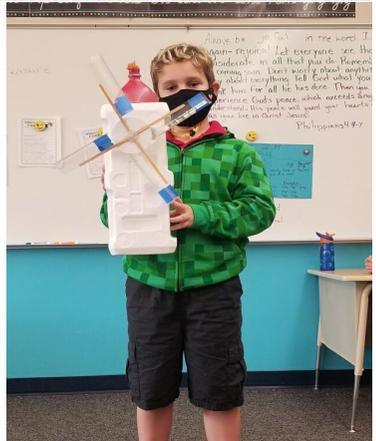
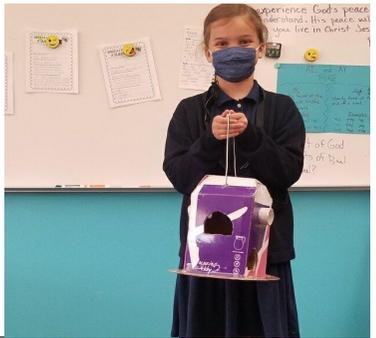
October 26: Picture Day

October 26-30: Red Ribbon Week - Learning about healthy choices

October 30: End of 1st quarter

November 11: Veteran's Day, No School

This week in photos



Mrs. Claridge's Trash To Treasure Projects in 3rd/4th grade

Happy Birthday



Manon W.
Mikara M.
Lauren C.
Nathan T.
Brielle H.

Sept. 2
Sept. 2
Sept. 6
Sept. 7
Sept. 7

David S.
Landon M.

Sept. 8
Sept. 9