May 2019 Newsletter

Dear Rose Creek Students, Parents, and Guardians,

I am always surprised how quickly a year comes to an end. We have four wonderful weeks left in school and I am crossing my fingers that students will stay engaged and willing to learn, especially once the weather warms up. Rose Creek is one of my very favorite places to be!

By way of reminder, please encourage your children to be very careful at arrival and departure to and from school. I always worry about children given our large population and numerous cars trying to navigate crowded roads. Thank you for driving safely, following the procedures in our <u>safety videos</u>, and keeping a vigilant eye on children.

We have three staff members retiring this year and I hope you'll share your love and appreciation with them. Mrs. Elder and Mrs. Mills are planning projects and time with family after they retire. Mrs. Okelberry retired earlier this year and I'm sure she's already enjoying many adventures. Thank you to these teachers who have devoted their lives to children. It's been a gift to us all.

As we move into the summer months, I encourage you to keep your children reading! Our Lexia access should work until July 1 so I hope you'll set time aside to continue working on these core phonics and reading skills. We should also still have access to Freckle for another month. Not all grade levels have access, so check with your child's teacher. It's an excellent program that differentiates activities for each child based on ability and practice in reading and/or math.

Please don't forget that TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK is the first full week of May. A handwritten note or small favor goes a long way in helping this devoted faculty know you appreciate them. We also have excellent support staff who keep the school functioning so children can learn. Thanks to all who give far more than time to our students!

You're the best. I love being part of the lives of your children and interacting with you. As always, please contact me if you ever have a need or concern that I can help with.

Life is Good!

Tami Bird Principal



Home of the Raptors!

Upcoming School Events

May 3: Band Concert, 10:30

May 9: Kindergarten Program 10:50 and 2:40

May 13: PTA Meeting, 9:30

May 17: ASC Sports Day

May 21: 5th grade program, 6:00

May 23: 3rd grade program, 6:00

May 24: BOB Club Bowling Party, 10:00

May 27: Memorial Day

May 30: Field Day, Fire Truck 2:30

May 31: Last Day of School - out at 12:55



Thank you for your generous support of the Toy Drive. Students and staff brought over 1,500 gently used toys that will be donated to the Draper Police Station and shared with children as they're removed from trafficking. For more information, go to <u>https://ourrescue.org/</u>



Thank you for making a difference.

Learning Traits: Curiosity

Curiosity is the strong desire to learn about or know something. Children are innately filled with curiosity! As you go through the myriad of family activities this month, consider the following process to what you're doing.

- 1 Ask questions! (e.g. How long does a traffic light stay green? Why?)
- 2 Create a pathway for finding answers to the questions. (e.g. Google it!)
- 3 Communicate what you're learning. (e.g. "Hey mom, did you know....?"

JUST FOR FUN: Building Curiosity

"Curiosity is the Engine of Achievement"

- Ken Robinson

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