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February News

Rock Spring Elementary School/ 706-764-1383

ROCK SPRING AND BEYOND!

Preparing Students not only for their education at Rock Spring Elementary but **BEYOND!!!**

From the desk of Mrs. Gilstrap:

Milestones- The time is drawing near for our State-Wide Testing. This year, our third, fourth and fifth graders will be taking the Georgia Milestones thus far. We will continue to push information to you as we know. You can reach out to your child's teacher to learn more about the Milestones assessment. Students can "practice" at home through a website. Mrs. Clawson has shared that with teachers. Teachers will pass this information on.

Data Nights-Data Night is this week. Please make sure you attend. This time will focus on the progress your child has made thus far. You will also be informed of end of the year targets your child will need to meet.

Lunch Charges- Please be aware of your child's lunch balance. We still have a lot of CHARGES totaling over \$3,000. If you have a large amount of charges we can work with you on payments. If you need to fill out another free and reduced lunch form, we can send one home.

Valentines-Our Student Council is selling Valentine Grams. Information has been sent home. If you would like for your child to receive a gram, please fill out a form.

Winter Break-Students will have a Winter Break starting February 17th. Students report back on the 21st.

I want to encourage ALL students to read 20 minutes each night. Have them read their library book to you. Studies have shown that if a child will read for 20 minutes a night that their reading level and vocabulary will increase. So get to reading!

Upcoming Events for February:

- *2nd-DATA NIGHT
- *8th-Coffee with Admin 7:30
- *17th-20th -Winter Break
- *24th-Club Day
- *28th-ALL PRO DAD meeting 7:00



Our students are making goals and working hard to meet them. If they meet their goal, they get to ring our "KNOCKOUT BELL". This is a great experience to instill that if you work hard for something, it pays off. When students and staff hear the bell, they clap. Everyone celebrates meeting the goal. It is wonderful hearing the students say, "I am close to meeting my goal!" or "I just met my goal and I am going to set another one!" Continue to talk to your child about their goals and how they are progressing toward it. Goals tie into our Data Night. You will see your child's data and goals. You can encourage them every day to work on that goal.

A great way to keep up with your child's grades is through Powerschool. Make sure you have an account and review your child's grade.

DATA NIGHT

Thursday, February 2nd

For grades=

4:00-Kindergarten, 2nd and 4th

5:00-1st, 3rd, and 5th

These are important meetings so that you can see how your child has progressed thus far this year and the next steps for a successful ending in May. We are looking forward to seeing you in person.

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PTO NEWS!

Spring Carnival is coming! Mark your calendars for March 25th from 5 to 7 pm. More information will be sent out later. We would love to have more help. If you can help for our Spring Carnival, please email tiffanyvolpe@walkerschools.org.

Tardies/Early Dismissal:
Tardies and Early dismissals are occurring more frequently! If your child is not in their class, they are missing valuable instruction time. Please help us out with this issue!

TOBACCO FREE CAMPUS!
A REMINDER THAT ROCK SPRING ELEMENTARY IS A TOBACCO FREE CAMPUS!!

Yearbook Time

RSE yearbook information has been sent home. Make sure you fill out the form that was sent home and return with payment if you would like to purchase. You can even order online (follow directions on form). If you need an additional form, those are available in the office. Yearbooks are a great treasure to have throughout the years. Buy yours now!



Check us out on Facebook if you haven't already. This is a place where we share news and information.

RSE Rock Spring Elementary

Congrats to these students for having their work highlighted for the month of JANUARY:

Pencil Story Recognition

Kindergarten: Rhett Bennett, Wilder Holloway, Jaxon Stonebraker
First Grade: Henry Allison, Lincoln Ball, Violet Pruitt,
Second Grade: Sylvia Cole, Riley Ellinwood, Cayleigh Martin, Sawyer Reynolds,
Third Grade: Cassie Bryson, Troy Shepard, Easton Smith
Fourth Grade: Greylynn Gordy, Emily O'Shea, Kinslee Wilson
Fifth Grade: Emilyn Genter, Kellan Lambert, Madilynn Rodgers

**To Ensure ALL Students Graduate -
Ready for College,
Ready for Work,
Ready for Life!**

PBIS Minutes

We had an awesome time at our BIG INFLATABLE party. Special thanks goes out to Bank of LaFayette Rock Spring Branch for sponsoring this. Our next party will be in March.

Keep encouraging your child to SOAR. You can even apply SOAR to what you do at home.