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September News

ROCK SPRING AND BEYOND!

Preparing Students not only for their education at Rock Spring Elementary but BEYOND as well (middle school, high school, tech, apprenticeship and college)

From the desk of Mrs. Gilstrap:

* Thank you for a great AUGUST! Hard to believe we have been in school for a month!

*Morning Car Rider line- Please help us with morning drop off. Have your child ready to exit the car. At 7:30, staff must go inside to begin our instructional day. If it is after 7:30, you will need to park and bring your child in to the school.

*Our first Data Night is approaching...SEPTEMBER 17th! This is a night devoted for you to see where your child is academically. You will get a chance to see their data and look at year-long targets. Your child's teacher will go over grade level expectations and what your child will be learning this year. We host three Data Nights throughout the year.

*Emergency cards-Make sure you have turned in your child's emergency card. This card is important. It tells us who can check out your child. We ask that if your number changes throughout the year, please let us know so we can make the change on the card. There is also a place in your PS account where you can update emergency information (directions are on this newsletter). If you update info in PS, make sure you let us know so we can update the "hard copy".

*PBIS: A brochure and newsletter will come home next week detailing what PBIS looks like at our school. This will give you ideas of how we incorporate SOAR in our school life and how it can be incorporated at home and in the community as well. We will have monthly incentives for students that earn 100 dojo points or rocket bucks. We had our PBIS kick off rally with some of the LaFayette Ramblers. The students had a blast. Our theme this year is BELIEVE IN THE MAGIC WITHIN YOU! Each one of us has our own magic inside.

***Pencil Stories:** Each month, teachers select a student to represent their classroom on our Pencil Story Boards (out in front of the cafeteria). The focus is on writing. The students are listed in our newsletter each month.

*Make sure to keep being involved with our school. Keep up with us on DOJO and our RSE Rock Spring Elementary Facebook page.

Upcoming Events for September:

- *2nd -Labor Day-Student holiday
- *Sept 5th—Volunteer Training 8:00 and 1:00
- *Sept. 6th -Fundraiser begins
- *Sept. 17th -DATA NIGHT
- *Sept. 17th -Title I Annual Meeting
- *Sept. 20th -HALF DAY Dismiss at 11:30
- *Sept 24th -ALL PRO DAD
- *Sept 24th -KONA ICE and PBIS Incentive
- *Sept. 25th -PICTURE DAY
- *Sept. 23rd -227th -LHS HOMECOMING WEEK-
23rd - Mismatch-wear mismatch clothes
24th - Twin Day-find a twin
25th - NO DRESS UP DAY due to PICTURE DAY
26th - Through the Ages-70's,80's, 90's, Old, Young
27th - Rambler Pride-wear orange and black
- *Sept 27th -Club Day for grades 3rd -5th

FUNDRAISER

Our first fundraiser will begin on the 6th. The money we raise will go toward some incentives we will have throughout the year and a couple of picnic tables. We are selling butterbraids. Information will come on Friday. A letter will give you some information and an order form will be attached.

The sale will conclude on September 20th. Butterbraids will be delivered October 8th for pick up.

DATA NIGHT

Mark your calendar! SEPTEMBER 17th
We will hold two sessions for different grades:
4:30-PK, 1st, 3rd and 5th
5:30-K, 2nd and 4th

Calling Grades 1st through 5th!

Do you know you can look at your child's grades? Do you know that you can get an email sent to you weekly updating you on your child's grades?

Well, you can! Sign up for the Powerschool App! We sent a letter home at the beginning of school regarding signing up for an account. This is a great way to stay informed of your child's grades. Kindergarten you can have a Powerschool account but it will only show attendance since your child is assessed with GKIDS.

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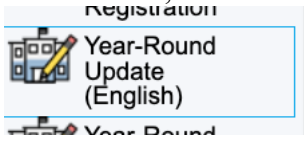
Parent Involvement
If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sarah McCloskey. You can contact her by email (sarahmccloskey@walkerschools.org).
Morning with Moms and All Pro Dad Meetings will take place each month. We will alternate months for dads and moms. This month will be ALL PRO DAD's September 24th at 7:00!

This will be a time where dads, step-dads, grandfathers can come with their RSE Rocket and listen to a guest speaker and have a small breakfast.

Volunteer Training-If you would like to volunteer throughout the year, you will need to attend training. September 5th at 8:00 or 1:00. If you can not make this time and still want to volunteer, you can contact Sarah McCloskey to work out a day and time that works for you.

Grandparent's Day is coming!
Go ahead and mark your calendars for October 9th!
We will send home more information at the end of September.

You can complete your child's online enrollment emergency card online now. This allows you to put people on the list of who can check your child out. Some parents already have completed this form. If you haven't please log into your child's Powerschool account. Once in Powerschool, look at the left side



column. Click on the "Year - Round Update". This will take you to the page where you can make updates.

PENCIL STORY SPOTLIGHT:

Kindergarten: Emerson Angland, Gus Hasty, Lilly Suddeth
First Grade: Isabella Burns, Ayda Joan Cleghorn, Emma DeBord, Caroline Newell
Second Grade: Karter Bankston, Ana Morrow, Elijah Wiedenbenner
Third Grade: Lindsey Gilreath, Gabrielle Hosey, Cheyenne Lively
Fourth Grade: Riley Ellinwood, Piper McClure, Jaxon Mitchell
Fifth Grade: Ryland Cornejo, Jaxon Powell, Harper Wilson
 This month's focus activity dealt with a Back to School writing task or art project.

PTO NEWS
T-shirt sale still taking place. If you would like to order one, please return the form along with the money.
PTO would love to have you involved. If you would like to help, please let us know.

Handicapped Parking: Vehicles that have a handicapped sticker or tag may park in the designated spaces. We have several parents that need these spaces. Please do not park in the blue spaces, unless you have the correct credentials. Sheriff deputies will be patrolling this as well.

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

**September 20th is a
STUDENT HALF DAY!
We will dismiss at 11:30.**