

PENN FOREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

September 30, 2024
PFES Newsletter

CONTACT INFORMATION

Need to contact your student's teacher? On the PFES web site click on "about us" you should see "Staff Directory." The teacher contact information is listed on this page.

<https://www.rcps.us/PennForest>

SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: 540-772-7590

Office emails:

jgriffin@rcps.us	Jenny Griffin, Principal
jnoell@rcps.us	Julie Noell, Assistant Principal
bwooten@rcps.us	Brenda Wooten, Bookkeeper
mcporterfield@rcps.us	Michele Porterfield, Attendance
dapoff@rcps.us	Debbie Poff, School Nurse
hlewis@rcps.us	Holleigh Lewis, Counselor

To report an absence or make a change of transportation please go to the PFES Web site. Under "Quick Links" choose the form that fits the change needing to be made.

We ask that you report any type of absence as soon as possible and make any transportation changes by 11 AM each day.

We make regular posts on our Facebook page showing you a look inside the school almost daily. Please use the link below to get there. Remember that the password is, "Hootie."

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/pennforestowls/?ref=share>



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Menu Changes
- CSHS Trunk or Treat
- Expect Respect BINGO
- Second grade grading

Pumpkins on the Playground Date Change



Please mark your calendars with the date of October 25th for our Pumpkins on the Playground from 6-8:00 PM. This originally was the rain date, but is now the actual date with a rain date of November 1st.

Looking For More Fall Fun? Support CSHS!



MENU CHANGES THIS WEEK

We had some of our refrigerators/ Freezers lose power for a great deal of time over the weekend, therefore had to toss that food. This will mildly affect some of our menu choices this week:

For lunch tomorrow, instead of salads it will be carrots. For breakfast tomorrow, instead of Mini Cinni, it will be Waffles.

New Standards Based Grading in Second Grade in RCPS

Just a reminder as we get closer to the time the first nine-weeks report cards come out, that second grade has moved to a standards-based report card this year. It will look very similar to the ones you are familiar with from Kindergarten and first grades and will have marks such as: P (proficient), AP (approaching proficiency), NP (not proficient), and NA. You may still see percentages on your child's "graded" papers but there will be no letter grades.

Skate Party Dates for the Remainder of the Year

As voted on by parents, we are moving our skate party times to: 5:30-7:30 PM at the Brambleton Skate Center. Please remember that you are responsible for your children at the parties and you can't drop them off and leave. All money raised from our skate parties are put in a school technology fund to put towards our school sign fundraising campaign.

December 3, 2024

February 4, 2025

April 1, 2025

Island Trio Concert-10/01

We are thankful to the music department of our central office that rotates schools each year that they send special musical groups for performances. This year, we are lucky to be one of them! We will have music from the steel drums of the Island Trio for our students this date for them to learn more about music and hear a wonderful performance!

EXPECT RESPECT BINGO

EXPECT RESPECT BINGO District-Wide Contest: What is EXPECT RESPECT? It is Roanoke County's way of teaching respectful/disrespectful behaviors and bullying prevention! Your child will be bringing home a Respect BINGO card this week to complete. Work with your child on completing the tasks on the BINGO card! Complete the BINGO card by filling up 15 or more squares (in any order). Once you get BINGO, bring the card back into the school- NO LATER than **October 25th!** The elementary school with the highest percentage of students that complete the BINGO card will receive a prize! A copy of the BINGO card is attached!

Mark Your Calendars!

10/01-Gifted Art– pick up at 4 PM– single file park
10/01– Preschool Family Engagement night at the school-5 PM
10/04– OLSAT testing for fifth graders
10/07-SOARing Striders– pick up at 3:15 PM– triple park
10/08-Gifted Art– pick up at 4 PM– single file park
10/08-10/10– YSPASH for second graders
10/14-SOARing Striders– pick up at 3:15 PM– triple park
10/15- Gifted Art– pick up at 4 PM– single file park
10/16– Kindergarten field trip– Layman's Farm
10/21-SOARing Striders– pick up at 3:15 PM– triple park
10/22-Gifted Art– pick up at 4 PM– single file park
10/22– Fourth grade field trip to Jamestown
10/25– Pumpkins on the Playground 6-8 PM
10/28-SOARing Striders– pick up at 3:15 PM– triple park
10/29-Gifted Art– pick up at 4 PM– single file park