

West Elementary's October Newsletter 2018

Randol's Ramblings

This year has gotten off to a great start. We are excited to be here and the students are doing a great job following procedures and rules. We teach the students the 3 R's: Be responsible, be respectful, and be ready. They have done a tremendous job this month. It brings great joy to my heart to know that certain students have stood out in these areas. They were awarded West Elementary's Students of the Month. You can see these students pictured in the foyer of the school. Students will continue to have a chance to earn this award throughout the year by showing the 3 R's in their classrooms, on the playground, and in the community. We will present the award at our Eagle Pride Assemblies.

We have recently finished up our first interim of the ACT Aspire testing. This test will be used as a benchmark score to help us identify areas of struggle for the students. We will use these results to help individualize their instruction and help them succeed throughout the year. Have a great October!

Mrs. Randol

THANK YOU!

- A huge THANK YOU to our wonderful community, school board, and families for all of the support during the bond issue. We are beyond thrilled to be getting a new school for our students. The teachers truly feel supported, and appreciate you.
- Thank you to West Elementary PTO for providing breakfast during conferences. It was delicious!
- Thank you to Kathy Blakely and the Best Western Hotel for providing pillows for our new reading lounge. The kids are enjoying it.

Announcements

- Like our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram page: West Elementary @westelemagles
- Remember that all transportation changes MUST be made through the office or teacher by 2:00pm.
- The Cookie Dough Fundraiser has begun. Please help support West Elementary.

National School Lunch Week (NSLW)

To celebrate NSLW, you are invited to eat cafeteria lunch with your child on Oct. 15th. If you would like to eat in the cafeteria, please let us know by Wednesday, Oct. 10th, so we can ensure we have enough food to feed everyone.

September Students of the Month

4th Grade

Brizia Penaloza, Caleb O'Daniel - McPherson
Grace Smart, Cooper Bryant- Bozarth
Rose Hartnett, Ryder Fuller- Potter
Riley Hunt, Waylon Jones- Schmitz
Alivia Loney, Trent McCurdy- Ard
Ellie Sullivan, Peydon Stalder- Anders
Ava Payne, Sam Sadler - Barger
Annelise Bull, Kevin Mercado- Metscher

5th Grade

Bentley Sharp, Ky Warner- Sprunger
Peyton Lesparance, Ruben Sharp -Lack
Jenna Stutzman, Chasyen Wise- Klassen
Courtney Carruth, Wisin Hinojo- Gossen
Anahi Nunez, Ty Vogt- Mikles
Kamri Bryant, Ricky Austin -Howl
Kate Brooks, Camden Bahn- Kenrick
Autumn Colchado, Dylan Avritt - Harris

Music

Our composer of the month is Franz Joseph Haydn, a major contributor to the Classical Period. We are going to discover how music changed from the Baroque period to Classical, as well as study different musical concepts using Haydn's music. Let your child show you Haydn's Farewell Symphony on YouTube and see if he/she can explain the story behind the song!

Our 5th grade choir is busy this month learning music for the Veteran's Day program November 12, as well as auditioning for Circle the State with Song. You can find more information about choir or music programs on my webpage, located on the West Elementary website:

<https://wes.wpsok.org/>.

One final "note": We are in need of clear sheet protectors and pocket folders for our classroom. If you could donate either of those to our music department, we would be SO grateful! And as always, thank you for supporting music in your child's life!

Mrs. Shaw



Help Wanted

We are hosting a Mommy/Son dance at the end of October. The PTO will be needing help with snacks and drinks. Please contact Lindsey Fast if you would like to help.

Physical Education

Jump ropes are in! They are for sale for \$3. Students are already showing great improvement on their jumping skills. I have sent home a study sheet of jump rope stunts for your child to learn. All students will be tested on stunts 1-10. I strongly encourage jumping rope at home for just a few minutes each day to build their endurance. Jumping rope is a huge part of my curriculum. It increases joint strength, muscle strength, improves posture and builds agility and quickness! When learning jump rope stunts, it is good for your brain! Most of all, it is great for your heart!!

Our word of the month for October is Respect, and the bones of the month are clavicle, sternum, and scapula.

According to Albert Einstein....PLAY is the highest form of research! Happy Fall!
Mrs. Sutton



COMING SOON

RED RIBBON WEEK: OCTOBER 22-26

Monday: "Shade Out Drugs"
Wear Hat/Sunglasses

Tuesday: "Team Up Against Drugs"
Dress as your favorite team

Wednesday: "Win the War on Drugs"
Wear Red

Thursday: "Dress for Success"
Wear Your Sunday Best