

WHISKERS WEEKLY

Pot of Gold News: Learning Commons Transformation

Beginning next week, our school's Learning Commons is going to undergo a transformation. The wall in the middle of the room is going to be rebuilt taking it to the ceiling. The addition of sliding glass doors in the middle of the wall will allow us to use the space as one large room or two smaller ones. One side will become a dedicated Maker Space/Art Room. While the construction is happening, our books (which are all now on wheeled shelves) will be placed in the hallways so that they are still accessible by staff and students. We are excited about this transformation as it will allow us to use the space in many more ways from which our students will benefit.

School Council Meeting

Everyone is welcome to attend the school council meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd, at 6:30pm. This is a special meeting as we say farewell to our outgoing school board trustee Bev LaPeare. Bev has worked tirelessly on our behalf for the last 13 years as board trustee for Ward 1 and so it will be an honour to wish her well as she continues to work to support education in Alberta in a different capacity. At this meeting we will also be learning about PowerSchool and how teachers at Rainbow Creek will be using it to share attendance records and academic progress with all parents and guardians. Please note that this month the meeting is on Tuesday and not Wednesday – the meeting was changed for this month only in order to allow people to attend the All Candidates Forum hosted by Synergy on Wednesday.

Litterless Lunch Fundraiser

The Fenigo litterless lunch fundraiser is underway using this link: <http://www.fenigo.com?aff=5>

This exact web link is important, as is making sure that shipping goes to Rainbow Creek (free!) so that fundraising credits go to the school. If you or distant family/friends would like to ship to home, please make sure that "Rainbow Creek Elementary School Fundraiser" is in the Order Instructions box when you confirm your order. FENIGO has a lot of great products to make boomerang lunches easy and fun, so check it out. The last day to order is Wednesday, October 11. If you have any questions, please email rcescouncil@gmail.com.

Dogs on School Grounds

While we appreciate that walking to the school with your dog is great exercise for both you and your pet, we do have some children who are very afraid of animals. We would ask that should you choose to bring your pet along while dropping off or picking up your children that you stay back from the doors and keep the animals on a short leash. We would also appreciate that you clean up after your pets!

Getting Enough Sleep

Now that were back in the swing of things with school please remember the importance of sleep for your children! A child aged 6 to 12 should be getting 9 to 12 hours of sleep each night.

Here's an article to get you thinking and keep you and your little ones on-track and refreshed! <http://bit.ly/1OqGPMI>

Freezie Friday

Our annual fundraiser Freezie Friday will begin next Friday, October 6, 2017. All students will have the opportunity to purchase 1 or 2 freezies in their class every Friday at lunch. Freezies are 25 cents each. The money collected goes directly back to our students through field trips, speakers, etc.

Hockey Gear

Miss Smith has some hockey gear to give to a family in need. The gear is size 6 and best suited for a grade 1 or 2 student. If you are in need and interested please contact Miss Smith via email: kismith@rockyview.ab.ca,

Patrols

AMA Student Patrols will begin next week at the corner of West Creek Drive and West Lakeview Drive. Please be patient with them as they are still practicing and learning.

Jacket Racket

Once again Rainbow Creek is supporting the Jacket Racket Program. We are accepting donations of gently used/new warm winter wear (coats, snowsuits, hats, mitts, scarves, etc.) for children and adults until October 13, 2017. The donation bin is located just outside the Learning Commons.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 6 – Professional Learning – No School
October 9 – Thanksgiving – No School
October 10 – Professional Learning – No School
October 13 – Jacket Racket donations end
November 8 – Photo retakes and class photos

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Regards,

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