

October 27, 2021

REMEMBER TO BRING A MASK DAILY

Students should have a mask on to exit their vehicle each morning. This ensures each student has a mask from home that is comfortable for them to wear when they arrive at school. Our mask supply is running low and those available are not always as comfortable as students hope. As we continue to navigate this school year, families can help by sending their children to school with a clean, comfortable mask every day.

ORANGE AND BLACK FUNKY, FALL CELEBRATION THIS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

This Friday students are invited to wear orange and black in celebration of fall. Students may also wear fun hats, silly socks or sport a crazy hair style. Halloween costumes and costume props should not be brought to school. Look for more detailed information sent through Seesaw from your child's teacher.

SAFETY STEPS DURING DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Please remember that basic traffic laws still apply during drop off and pick up. We have had a few traffic accidents occur on Isabella Road this year and on each occasion it has been because the driver(s) were not following basic traffic rules. Please remember the following tips to ensure the safety of all:

- The parking lot is CLOSED until 3:15. DO NOT arrive before 3:15. It is not legal to park on Isabella Road and wait for the parking lot to open.
- PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK THE DRIVEWAYS OF BUSINESSES ALONG ISABELLA ROAD. Leave space for vehicles to pull in and out of other businesses. These businesses have also requested that families not use their parking lots to wait for the lot to open or to turn around.
- We offer free, supervised pick up until 4:00pm each day (2:30 on Wednesdays). Arriving after 3:45pm proves to be much less congested.
- Please DO NOT make a right turn into the school parking lot from the left lane when approaching from the south (driving north). All drivers coming from the south must be in the right lane to turn into the school parking lot.

PICTURE RETAKE INFORMATION

Picture Retake Day is scheduled for Thursday November 4th. All students that were absent, in quarantine situations, or new to our school since the beginning of September must get their picture taken. Remember that there are no order forms this year. You will receive an email directly from Guys & Dolls when your photos are ready to be viewed.



UPCOMING SCHOOL CALENDAR EVENTS

- NO SCHOOL, Teacher Professional Development Day Monday, November 1
- Picture Retakes Thursday, November 4
- Student Led Conferences @RPSA No School For Students Wed, Nov 17
- Thanksgiving Break No School Wednesday, 11/24 Friday, 11/26
- Winter Holiday Break begins Monday, Dec. 20
- School Resumes Monday, January 3, 2022

Reading Tips and Strategies

When you read at home with your kids, follow the **R.E.A.D.** plan.

R - Repeat Books E - Engage and Enjoy A - Ask Questions D - Do More

This week we will focus on the E: Engage and Enjoy. The following are examples of activities you could do at home when reading with your child following the R.E.A.D. plan:

- Use alphabet books and guessing games to give your child practice in matching letters and sounds. A good example is the game, "I am thinking of something that starts with /t/."
 To see a short video example, click here.
- □ Use different voices. When reading a familiar story or passage, try having your child use different voices. Read the story in a mouse voice, cowboy voice, or a princess' voice. This is another way to do repeated reading, and it adds some fun to reading practice.

☐ To see a short video example, click <u>here</u>.

Alternate repeating the favorite lines of a poem or nursery rhyme with your child. He/she will mimic your phrasing and expression.

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