

Roadrunner News



Literacy First.....

This month, your child’s teacher has finished up testing and diagnosing what skills your child needs to help him/her become fluent in reading. If your child is in grades PreK-1 grade, they have been given the Phonological Awareness Skills Test and the Phonics assessment. Second and third graders have taken the previous assessments plus the Primary/Elementary Spelling Inventory and the fluency assessment from our Aimsweb program. Fourth and fifth graders have taken the Elementary Spelling Inventory and the fluency assessment from our Aimsweb program. So needless to say, your child has been thoroughly assessed in their reading skills!

Your child’s teacher has settled into a routine with the Literacy centers rotations, whole group components and MIRP (Monitored Independent Reading Practice). They have started teaching small groups during centers at their teacher table. There is a lot going on during reading!

If you have any questions about Literacy First, please feel free to contact your child’s teacher, myself or check out the official website: www.catapultlearning.com

Brenda Lolling
Learning Facilitator



There are still several students who do not have their immunization and health assessment forms turned in to the Health Room. Some of these are due to incomplete records that have been turned in. If you haven’t received a letter yet, you will, and it will state what is missing. It may just be that you need to bring in an updated copy if they have actually received the shots.

Soon we will be entering the cold and flu season. If your child is running a fever, vomiting, coughing a lot, or appears ill, please keep them at home. If they are running a fever at school of 100 degrees or more, you will be called to pick them up from school.

Several children daily come in without eating breakfast and complain of their stomach hurting. A healthy breakfast is essential to their well-being and performance throughout the school day.

We had our school wide head lice check this last month and did great! If your child has head lice (bugs or eggs 1/4 inch from scalp), please keep them home and treat. If treated with head lice shampoo (Nix, Rid, etc.), your child may return to school as long as all bugs are removed but please continue to remove eggs at home to prevent further hatching. If your child is at school with bugs of any kind or eggs 1/4 inch from scalp, you will be called to pick them up from school.

Even though this is a very busy year in the health room, I have enjoyed being with the returning students and also the new little ones who have joined us.

Morgan Lehning, LPN

BULLYING.....

At Rex, Mr. Howard and I deal with a lot of incidences called “bullying.” We take every incident seriously but most of the time find out that the incident is a sing incident that occurs which is not considered bullying. I want to share with you the difference between bullying and not bullying.

What is bullying?

Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behavior that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Online bullying refers to bullying through information and communication technologies, e.g. the internet or mobile devices. Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflicts or fights between equals, whether in person or online are not defined as bullying. In short, bullying is an ongoing misuse of power involving a pattern of harmful verbal, physical or social behavior:

Is every conflict between students bullying?

Not all aggressive or harmful behavior between people is bullying. While conflicts and aggressive behavior need to be addressed, it is important to be clear when these behaviors are not actually bullying. The definition of bullying has three critical aspects-a repeated pattern, the misuse of power within relationships, and behavior which causes harm; all three aspects need to be present in order for behavior to be called bullying.

Why is the definition of bullying important?

A clear, comprehensive and shared definition is essential to enable schools to identify bullying, and distinguish it from other types of conflicts or violence, so that appropriate strategies and interventions can be used.

Abby Thrash
Rex School Counselor





Halloween Safety for Children

- S** Swords, knives, and similar costume accessories should be short, soft, and flexible.
- A** Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.
- F** Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.
- E** Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat.
- H** Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you.
- A** Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent skin and eye irritation.
- L** Look both ways before crossing the street. Use established crosswalks wherever possible.
- L** Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.
- O** Only walk on sidewalks or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.
- W** Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.
- E** Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats unless you know the cook well.
- E** Enter homes only if you are with a trusted adult. Otherwise, stay outside.
- N** Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.



Have a Safe and Happy Halloween!



October 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	3 3:55 PM-5:15 PM Kids Bible Club 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Running Club 6:00 PM-8:30 PM Sonic Night	4	5 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club	6
9	10 3:55 PM-5:15 PM Kids Bible Club 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club	11	12 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club	13 End of 1st Nine Weeks No School
16 Parent /Teacher Conferences 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club 4:00 PM-7:30 PM Scholastic Book Fair	17 Parent /Teacher Conferences 3:55 PM-5:15 PM Kids Bible Club 4:00 PM-7:30 PM Scholastic Book Fair	18 Parent /Teacher Conferences 9:00 AM-9:45 AM 1st Nine Weeks Awards Assembly Kdg-2nd Grades 10:00 AM-10:45 AM 1st Nine Weeks Awards Assembly 3rd-5th Grades 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club 4:00 PM-7:30 PM Scholastic Book Fair	19 Parent/ Teacher Conferences No School	20 Parent/ Teacher Conferences No School
23	24 Fall Individual Pictures 3:55 PM-5:15 PM Kids Bible Club 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club	25	26 4:00 PM-5:15 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club	27 11:00 AM-2:30 PM 5th Grade to KS Humane Society/Great Plains Na- ture Center
30 4:00 PM-5:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Running Club	31 10:30 AM-11:25 AM AM Pre-K Fall Parties 3:00 PM-3:45 PM Fall Parties 3:55 PM-5:15 PM Kids Bible Club			