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Classroom News

Blevins - PreK

Pre-K is learning about our families. We are exploring with paint, sand, books, and play dough. We have been introducing different math manipulatives. We have been working on letters and number o-5. We are working on writing our names and drawing pictures in writing. We will be moving into our friends unit. Also, we will be starting a STEAM unit on apples for the first showcase.

Ryan - Kindergarten

Ms. Ryan's class has been working hard to learn shapes. They used pretzels and marshmallows to make shapes and counted the number of sides and points in a shape.



Coffelt - Kindergarten

Coffelt's Cubs are working on our first (project-based learning assignment) PBL, "Tennessee and Me." We are learning about our school, community and Tennessee. They are learning about shapes and numbers o-5.

Kline - 1st Grade

First grade is learning that the Tennessee River is important to Chattanooga and that people use boats to travel on the river. We are using the engineering design process to build boats that float and carry weight.

Fox - 1st Grade

Fox's class made boats this week.



Corder - 2nd Grade

My classroom news.... I RETURN ON MONDAY (18th)!

Crosslin - 2nd Grade

Second grade did an engineering activity. They competed in teams to build the highest structure using only index cards and a pair of scissors. The winning team built a structure that was 25 inches tall.



Daughtery - 3rd Grade

Mrs. Daughtery's class is studying different weather tools and how we can use them to predict the weather

Klegg - 3rd Grade

3rd grade is studying North American geography and weather. This week we are learning about weather tools, and we will begin collecting and tracking weather data! In STEAM lab this week we researched North American landforms.

Wall - 4th Grade

In the past week we have been working hard to learn about Native American culture. We are specifically looking at the Creek, Cherokee, and Chickasaw nations. Students are working in teams to build artifacts and an exhibit for our Rivermont Natural History Museum that will be showcased at our first open house in October. We are also studying early explorers of North and South America.

Hockenberry - 5th Grade

We are building background on the causes of the Civil War. They will use this information to prepare solutions to this conflict. These ideas/displays will be pitched to a panel of judges on our Monument Pitch Day.

Crabtree - 5th

Ms. Crabtree's class is analyzing the causes and beginning of the Civil War in an effort to create a solution that would end the Civil War with less violence and lives lost.

Strauss - ExEd

In Mrs. Strauss' room we have done career interest inventories. We have discussed and written about our dream careers. We set short-term goals to help us reach our long term goals. We just wrote introduction letters to our pen pals at Walnut Elementary School in Chino, California.

Sally Brown's Room

Make sure you plan on coming in October to the Student Showcase Night to see what students are learning in Mrs. Brown's classroom!

Biernik - Art Class

Students have been learning to draw self-portraits in proportion. We've been using mirrors to study our image.





Car Rider Drop-off / Pick-up

Drop-Off Procedures

ALL Car riders are to enter from Carter Drive.

NO EXCEPTIONS! Rivermont will not accept responsibility for any student who is dropped off any place other than the Car Rider Line. No parking in the Car Rider drop area, go to the parking lot. This causes a back up in the drop-off line.

Students are NOT to be dropped off in the parking lot because of the danger, NO EXCEPTIONS! Students have almost been hit! Do not leave your vehicle running in the parking lot, this is very dangerous for our students and families. Adults must walk their students to the front door when entering from the parking lot.

Pick-Up Procedures

ALL students (Grades K-5) must be picked up in the Car Rider Line! Students will NOT be dismissed to anyone waiting outside the door at dismissal. Every car rider will be given a dismissal card for pick up identification. This card is to display in the car window with the student name facing the passenger side so it can be read. Names will be called to identify the student for each car.

Additional cards are available in the office for multiple cars. No student will be dismissed to a car without a Rivermont dismissal card. *Anyone* without a card will be required to pull in and go to the office to dismiss the child.

We have been contacted by the City of Chattanooga in regards to the parked cars on Carter Drive that are parked on the wrong side of the rode while waiting for dismissal. We have been notified that all cars are to enter Carter Drive and go up the street and come back down to enter on

the right (correct) side of the street. Cars that are parked on the incorrect side of the street are subject to be ticketed. Please don't be "that Parent" who tries to break line and enter TURNING LEFT.

BETWEEN HOURS OF 3:30-4:30PM (DISMISSAL TIME), RIGHT TURN ONLY FROM CARTER DRIVE!

PTA News

PTA meeting and Chorus Performance Tuesday, September 19th at 6pm in the Cafe

If you haven't had the opportunity to join the PTA, you can join Tuesday night! \$6 for one membership or \$10 for 2 memberships!



Important School Dates

September 8-22 – Kid's First Coupon Book Sale - \$10 each – we keep \$7 for each book we sell!

Sept. 19 – PTA at 6pm, Chorus will perform America the "Awesome" September 27-9am

"Room Parent" Orientation in Room 6

September 29 – Rotary Breakfast Club to visit 3rd -5th grades

October 2-5 – Scholastic Book Fair in the Library

October 3 – 1st Qtr Showcase of Learning, 5:30-6:30pm

October 5th – School "Sock Hop" for all kids selling 3+ Coupon Books

October 5th – Pajama Day for all kids "if we reach our goal" of selling

600+ Coupon Books!

October 6 – No School for Students

October 9-13 – Fall Break

October 16 – School Reopens

October 23 – Report Cards Go Home

October 24 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7:30pm – Make an

appointment with your child's teacher

October 26 – Picture Day

October 28 – Cross Country Meet – More details coming from Coach Wilson

Remember, Kids First Coupon Book sale ends on September 22nd. You must sell books before this date to qualify for prizes! We're asking that each student sell 3 books each. Thanks for your hard work!



Volunteer Now

Throughout the school year – there will be opportunities to volunteer by:

- Working with your class "Room Parent" to support your child's classroom needs.
- Volunteering for school-wide projects and events through SignUp.com.
 Look for your invitation via e-mail from SignUp.com and register.

Scholastic Bookfair is coming October 2nd-5th.

School-wide SOCK HOP is October 5th

Contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Terra Figueroa
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