



Upcoming Events

- [12/6]
Honor roll assembly
- 12/7
2nd grade field trip to Port Discovery
- [12/8]
2-HR Early Dismissal for Students
- [12/12]
1st grade field trip to Port Discovery
- [12/13]
Pre K and K field trip to Port Discovery
- [12/21]
Chorus and Band Concert
- [12/25-1/1]
Winter break

Dear Roadrunner families,

We are in December and 2nd quarter. Our students are learning and growing by leaps and bounds.

Items to remember

1. Students should be in school everyday. If they are not in school please provide a note or documentation of their absence. If they are absent 3 days in a row, the note needs to come from their doctor.
2. Please remember to put \$\$\$ on their lunch account. You can visit the school cafeteria at 8:30 am daily.
3. We are a uniform school and students should be in full uniform unless told otherwise. Students will need to wear a COAT to school in the winter.
4. All students need to read 20 minutes a night. PLEASE DO THIS WITH THEM!
5. Drop off is at 7:45 am. Doors open at 7:50 am and pick up is at 2:20 pm. If your child does not want breakfast, you can arrive at 8:00 am.

Students learning and growing

December: A Month of Multicultural Holiday Celebrations



Do you and your family celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or Three Kings Day? Maybe you celebrate St. Lucia Day. December offers great opportunities for teaching about our multicultural world. Parents please take time to visit your child's classroom to share artifacts, decorations, and stories about your cultural traditions. Thank you in advance for assisting our students in becoming global citizens!

text @g3hk2f to the number 81010



To RES News sent in a text



K-2 Students have access to an incredible program called Waterford Early Learning that helps with many important foundational reading skills. The program can be accessed at home! Papers went home requesting family email addresses. If you returned the paper a **link will be sent to you** from Waterford through which you can set up your child's account easily. Our goal is for students to use the program every day at school at at least three times a week at home. We should see our students start to soar with reading



Our 4th and 5th Grade classes are competing in a monthly reading and writing challenge sponsored by The Washington Redskins. Encourage your kids to complete the tasks to win a prize!

Testing

1st grade OLSAT - Dec. 6 and 7 Please avoid appointments on these days and ensure the students are on time for school. Please avoid appointments on these days and ensure the students are on time for school.

My On Top Readers for the Month of November!



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Overall Winner- Anthony Sandoval 4th Grade
Intermediate Winner- Jasmine Rubio- 3rd Grade
Primary Winner- Shed Grade

Guest Teachers from Guatemala.



Take Pride in your school

PTO UPDATES

Parents! Help us make Riverdale Elementary School a great place for our kids to learn and grow. Come out to support your children and our school at these PTO events:

- **December 5, 7 pm** – PTO meeting. Get updates, meet parents, discuss concerns, bring ideas.
- **December 7, 4-6 pm** – Fingerprinting clinic at Langley Park/McCormick Elementary School. Fingerprints are needed to chaperone field trips or volunteer in the classroom.
- **December 8** – Teacher Appreciation Breakfast. Please sign up to make or donate food to honor our teachers and staff!

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, and neighbors who volunteered at the fall Scholastic Book Fair. We donated almost \$1,000 in books to RES teachers to use in the classroom!

Don't forget that Pre-school Story Time is every Thursday at 1:15 pm at Riverdale Town Hall. For more information, please contact PTO President Jenni Pompei at jpompi@gmail.com.