

November 17, 2019

Dear Rheem Team Families,

This next week is Parent Conference Week! I hope you have your “Rheem Team Family Challenge” posted prominently to help you keep track of the different schedules each day. Please note that Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will be shortened minimum days with an 11:45 dismissal for all students. Wednesday will follow the regular schedule, but remember; Wednesday is always an early dismissal day at 1:50 for everyone.

Make sure you review the “Tips for a Successful Parent Conference” so that you can make the most of this important meeting. It’s our hope that by working together, we can make this the most successful year possible for every student.

While you’re at school for your Parent Conference, be sure to stop by the Book Fair, which will be held in the Library beginning tomorrow (Monday). Proceeds from this event will go to support our school library. All classes will be visiting the Book Fair during the school day in the coming week; however open shopping hours are as follows:

Book Fair Shopping Hours:

Monday: 11:30-2:30pm

Tuesday: 11:30-2:30pm

Wednesday: 1:30-3pm, 5-8pm

Thursday: 8-10am, 11:30-3pm

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, November 18th:

- Shortened Minimum Day: All students 8:25-11:45
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Book Fair in Library (see times above)

Tuesday, November 19th:

- Shortened Minimum Day: All students 8:25-11:45
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Book Fair
- “Age of Sail” 5th grade overnight field trip

Wednesday, November 20th:

- Regularly scheduled Wednesday (8:25-1:50)
- Book Fair
- “Age of Sail” 5th grade overnight field trip

Thursday, November 21st:

- Shortened Minimum Day: All students 8:25-11:45
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Book Fair
- 3rd grade: Native American Feast

Friday, November 22nd:

- Shortened Minimum Day: All students 8:25-11:45
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Spirit Assembly
- o 8:30-9:15 Kindergarten – 2nd grade
- o 10:30-11:15 3rd grade – 5th grade

Did you Know?

Parking on Ascot Drive

Please be aware that Ascot Drive is not an approved area for dropping off or picking up your child. There is no supervision. If you do use Ascot Drive, please be respectful of our neighbors. **DO NOT DOUBLE PARK.** Be watchful of children getting in and out cars. Please be careful when driving in the area.

The Scholastic Book Fair is This Week!

Submitted by Sharon Gillbanks Rheem Librarian

There will be lots of excitement as 2nd-5th Grade classes visit the fair. 5th and 4th Graders will also be accompanying their Kindergarten and 1st Grade Buddies to the fair. They have been well trained on being responsible for their buddies during their visit, helping make good book choices, calculating book prices, totals and tax and writing wish lists. They are really looking forward to this experience!

Teacher Wish Lists will be posted at the fair for purchases for classroom libraries and are a very special gift from your child/family to benefit the whole class.

The fair will also be open after school for you to shop with/for your child/children.

Thank you in advance for helping make the Scholastic Book Fair a winner for the Rheem Library!

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Can't make it? You can still help the library by making purchases through the Online Book Fair where even more books are available. Click [HERE](#) to shop online through Nov. 26th.

Mark your Calendar: Thanksgiving Break the week of November 25th

This year's Thanksgiving Break is from November 23rd – December 1st. There will be no school November 25th – 29th.

The Last Word...

Like all of you, this week is parent teacher conference in the Sullivan household. My wife and I will be meeting with our twins' 4th grade teachers to hear about the goings on in their respective classrooms. I'm not sure what their teachers are going to share exactly but I'm pretty certain they will discuss things the twins are doing well and areas where they can improve. I can remember my oldest daughter's first parent/teacher conference and can tell you I was a little surprised to hear of her challenges. She was doing very well socially and was establishing herself as a classroom leader, but the information shared about her reading readiness and number sense really gave my wife and I a chance to hone in and support her in a more meaningful way academically. As much as we would have loved to hear how she was on pace to be the youngest Nobel Prize Laureate or Fields Medal recipient, we instead were given a more important message, your daughter can use more practice with her reading and numbers.

With a busy week of conferences ahead of us I encourage all of you to embrace the many great things your children are doing in the classroom and look to approach any challenges they are experiencing as opportunities to make them stronger and better prepared for the future. Congrats to those of you getting news of child's impending Nobel Prize, and for those of you who hear otherwise welcome to the club...now let's get to work :)

There's no place like Rheem!

Mr. Sullivan