



Roberts Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome families to the start of the 2017-18 school year!

The faculty, staff and administration at Roberts Elementary are excited for the new school year. It's great seeing the boys and girls back on campus! Our first two weeks have been extremely busy. The children are being introduced to their grade level curriculums, learning class routines, completing base line testing, taking tours around the school, participating in fire drills and making new friends.

Currently, our student enrollment is 856 students, and we are getting to know many new faces.

Please keep a watch for this school newsletter, Fox Tales, at the end of every month. This newsletter is a great communicator for our families and will include IMPORTANT school news and dates. We thank you for taking the time to read each section.

Monday, August 21st—Solar Eclipse Day was a successful event for our boys & girls. It was truly special to experience this historical event with our students. Thank you, parents, for letting your children participate. Eclipse pictures are posted on our Facebook page and website. What a great memory to make!

You may have noticed that the new shade cover was installed over the playground equipment (primary playground) in early August. It looks great, and now our children will be protected from harsh sun rays. A huge THANK YOU to all of our families who participated in the Boosterthon Fun Run! This sun shade and the new media center furniture were all purchased with the funds raised from that event.

As always, thank you for entrusting us with your children each and every day. We are excited about the new school year and the academic progress your children will make throughout the year.

If you have a question or concern, please feel free to contact the teacher, guidance or administration at 850-488-0923. We look forward to another successful and productive year with your children.

Remember to READ, READ, READ!

Dates to Remember

9/4/2017	Labor Day-NO SCHOOL
9/5/2017	SAC Meeting-5:30 pm
9/7/2017	PTO Spaghetti Dinner/ Meeting 6 PM Cafeteria
9/15/2017	Grandfoxes Day
9/15/2017	Interim Reports Available
9/21/2017	Chipolte Share Night
9/25/2017	Boosterthon Pep Rally
9/27/2017	PICTURE DAY!
9/27/2017	Dad's Take Your Child to School Day
10/6/2017	Boosterthon Fun Run
10/12/2017	End of 1st 9 Weeks
10/13/2017	Teacher Planning Day NO SCHOOL

BOOSTERTHON IS COMING!

Parents! This year's main fundraiser is the Red Fox Fun Run! It's a 9-day program that kicks off with a Pep Rally on September 25th. Students will then gather pledges for every lap they run (30-35 laps), and we'll celebrate at the Fun Run on October 6th. We have a big goal of raising \$60,000 for technology advances for our school.

Students will also experience an amazing character theme, **CASTLE QUEST!**, an English castle theme all about being brave and living with character. On their quest to regain Bravemore Castle, students will learn the "SIX VIRTUES of a TRUE HERO" from a cast of colorful characters.

Be on the look out for more Boosterthon information after the Pep Rally on the 25th!! All families are invited to come out and cheer on your student at the Fun Run!

Thank you for your support!

PTO NEWS

Greetings! The Roberts Elementary PTO would like to extend a warm welcome to all new members of our red fox family and "welcome back" to those returning this year. The Parent Teacher Organization's (PTO) board and event chairs have already begun planning some very exciting events for 2017-2018.

Upcoming Events:

First PTO Meeting/Spaghetti Night: Thursday, September 7th from 6:00p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria. Come join Chef Boy-r-G and the PTO Board for the first meeting and a pot-luck spaghetti dinner. We will be making plans for the year including voting on how funds raised through Boosterthon will be used.

Grandfoxes Day: Friday, September 15th. One of the year's most popular events! We invite all grandparents to join their red foxes for a special lunch. Visit our website to pre-order Chick-fil-A lunches, t-shirts and, for those Grandfoxes who can't be there in person, send a Grand-Gram! <http://robertspto.my-pto.org/content.asp?PageID=6>

Boosterthon Pep Rally: Monday, September 25th from 1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria. Come join your students to kick off this year's Boosterthon Fun Run!

Volunteers:

We want YOU! Whether you have a little or a lot of time to share there are many, many ways to give back to our special school family. Please contact me at daylemooney@gmail.com for more information. I look forward to meeting you all around the school. In the interim, do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything that I can do to assist you.

Regards,

Dayle D. Mooney, PTO President

What is the RTI/MTSS Process?

Schools have a responsibility to provide effective instruction and behavioral supports to all students. RTI, also known as Response to Intervention, refers to the multi-tiered system of support that is put in place in order to meet students' educational needs. Throughout the process, data is collected and reviewed as a way to drive the instruction and interventions for all students. Parents will receive progress monitoring data about how their child is responding to the interventions. Sometimes it is thought that being found eligible for special education (ESE) is the only way to help a child. When in fact, finding out what instruction works best for a child is the key to helping them have a successful school experience. A child will benefit from the school's RTI system, whether or not they are evaluated or found eligible for special education.

The interventions range in intensities or tiers based on student need.

RTI is composed of three tiers:

Tier 1: Core Curriculum: All students, including students who require curricular enhancements for acceleration.

Tier 2: Strategic Interventions: Students who need more support in addition to the core curriculum.

Tier 3: Comprehensive and Intensive: Students who need individualized interventions.

PROCEDURAL REMINDERS

Address Changes:

If you changed your address on your child's Student Information Sheet, please send two proofs of address to the office (SB Policy 5112). Proof of address should be one from each of the two categories; 1) mortgage statement or deed, property tax record, current homestead exemption card, or rental agreement; 2) driver's license/ID card, home insurance bill, or utility bill.

Extra Clothes

The school does not keep changes of clothing for students. This being said, we strongly urge you to send a complete change of clothing for your child to be kept in their classroom. Whether it's bathroom, spilled drink/food or a wet/muddy field, accidents happen to all grade levels.

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