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Rabbit Tales

RABBIT CREEK ELEMENTARY / 13650 LAKE OTIS PARKWAY / (907)-742-5700

From The Principal

Calendar of Events



- 9/16-Girl Scouts visiting classes
- 9/20-Jog-A-Thon
- 9/24-School Pictures
- 9/28-South Anchorage Running Jamboree



- 10/4-Monster Mash Dance-TBA
- 10/8-PTA Meeting 7pm
- 10/23-10/25-Parent Teacher

Down THE Rabbit Hole

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Hello Rabbit Creek families,

**We are just about to the middle of our first quarter, which is amazing to think! Our school has been in session just past four weeks, which means your children's teachers will be sharing the mid-quarter reports with you very soon. If your child is in the primary grades, this report will look at behavior and study skills, along with some academics. Our early learners are working to build these skills that will enable them to make the most of instructional time in class. The teachers may share areas of strength and also areas where growth can be made as a way to help you to get a picture of your child's days at school. In the intermediate and middle grade levels, you'll be seeing the focus on academic performance to date. Our first quarter of the year finishes on October 18th, which gives all of our students a chance to continue to build skills and focus on making academic goals.

**Speaking of the end of the quarter, we will have our Parent Teacher conferences on Wednesday, October 23rd and Thursday, October 24th. These will be half days for students with dismissal at 12:30 and conference time to follow. Be watching for information from teachers to come home about scheduling these meetings. Additionally, Friday October 18th and Friday October 25th are no school days for students. October is always such a crazy month at school with many changes to the regular schedules. However, the bonus is that we have a chance to share progress and learning with you and have one on one times with you as well.

*It seems as though one day it was Summer and another day it was Fall. Our temperatures changed quickly and the sunshine isn't as present as it was. It is a good time to remind all families that we go outside in most weather and that students do need to come to school prepared. It's a great time to be bringing a light jacket and rain boots don't hurt either. If it is lightly sprinkling, we will go outside. If it's pouring, we will definitely stay in. It is a good time to be bringing a light sweater to classes to cover sleeveless tops. Those of you who have young ladies in the family, please remember that we want to make sure to cover those shoulders.

*You may have heard the news---I've offered to be DUCT tapped to the wall if our school is able to beat last year's total amount raised in the Jog-A-Thon. Last year we raised just under \$35,000 so that is our goal. The 15 students who raise the most money will be invited to do the tapping, as well as 10-15 students who's name are drawn randomly at the event. Everyone has a chance to get in on the fun! *(Don't tell the students but I can't wait!)*

Thank you for being amazing,
Ms. Peterson

Rabbit Creek PTA every child. one voice.

Hello Rabbit Creek Families,

September is here and the 2019-20 school year is off to a busy start! Along with the changing leaves, September brings many exciting events to Rabbit Creek including a family-favorite, the all-school Jog-A-Thon! This is our 9th year "running" it and it should be a great time as always. This year's theme is the Rodeo Run and it will be held during the school day on Friday, September 20th. Encourage your kids to dress in western wear--think plaid shirts and bandanas (along with some warm layers) and good shoes appropriate for a 20-minute run. The Jog-a-Thon is our school's ONE AND ONLY PTA FUNDRAISER and through this one event, RC students are able to help our school raise money to support important programs and provide our school and teachers with needed funding. In years past, we've been able to purchase new x-country skis and boots for PE and after-school use, and last year we helped fund two new sound systems for the gym and MPR! Kick-off information and pledge packets should have come home with your child on Friday the 6th. Fundraising is completely optional and students will have until September 27th to collect pledges. Support your runner(s) by making an online donation!

I'd also like to say thank you to all who attended our first after-school PTA meeting of the year last Tuesday. We had a large turnout and kept it to just over an hour which was great! Hope to see many of you at our next meeting on Tuesday, Oct 8th, this time at 7 pm in the Library.

In other news, our PTA budget for the 2019-20 school year was officially approved last week at our September Board Meeting after an online vote that ended August 30th. We had 46 PTA members vote to approve the budget, which passed unanimously. A copy of the approved budget outlining highlights is posted on our Rabbit Creek PTA website at <http://www.rabbitcreekpta.org> in case you missed it!

September is always a busy time at Rabbit Creek! Please mark your calendars with these important dates listed below. To stay up to date on PTA issues and activities, find us on Facebook under our closed group: Rabbit Creek School PTA.

Respectfully,

Heather Birch

President, Rabbit Creek PTA

president@rabbitcreek.org

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Welcome to Fall Rabbit Creek Families!

Fall is definitely in the air and that means the Fall Book Fair is right around the corner. This year's Book Fair will be the week of October 21 and will coincide with Parent/Teacher conferences. Once again, we are looking for volunteers to assist in the set-up, running of and break-down of the Book Fair. Please use the Sign Up Genius link if you are able to help us out. We so appreciate your time!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4EA8AF22A57-rabbit>



Thank you to all of you for your support with our pick up line to date this year! We are working to have all cars and trucks move all the way forward to pick up students in an effort to keep things moving.

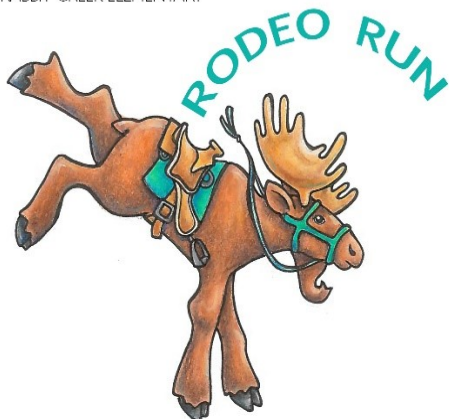


Don't forget that students may not be dropped off at school before 8:40 am. There is not adult supervision outdoors and we want to ensure everyone is safe. Thank you for your help!!!

Rodeo Run – September 20th!

The Jog-a-Thon (JAT), Rabbit Creek's one and only school-wide fundraiser is right around the corner!

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2019 JOG-A-THON

This year's JAT will be held, rain or shine, during the school day on **Friday, September 20th**. The theme for 2019 is the **Rodeo Run**. All students will be joining together to run, jog, or walk as many laps as they can with their grade during a 20-minute timed session.

Some key things to know:

- JAT pledge packets were sent home with students on **September 6** and must be returned by **September 27** to be eligible for prizes.
- Pledges may be made by cash, check (make checks out to Rabbit Creek PTA) or online at <https://form.jotform.us/92247908254160>.

Please write credit card donations on your pledge envelope.

- **Double your donation!** To make your donation go even further, check to see if your employer has a matching gift program. A few companies that match employee donations include: BP, Conoco, GAP, CocaCola, and ExxonMobile.
- Students and everyone attending the JAT is encouraged to dress in western theme for the event. Parents, grandparents, aunt, uncles, younger siblings – all are welcome to come cheer.

Volunteers Needed! We need lots of volunteers to make this fun event happen! If you would like to help in some way, you can sign up online at **SignUpGenius.com** by typing in the link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0445aca62ea6f58-rabbit>.

Jogathon Run Schedule*

Kindergarten and 4th Grade: 9:10-9:40

5th Grade: 9:50 – 10:20

6th Grade: 10:30-11

3rd Grade: 1:25-1:55

1st Grade: 2:05 -2:35

2nd Grade: 2:40-3:10

***split classes will run with their grade level.**

Questions? Email **Svea Lunoe** or **Beth Elliott**, VP's of Fundraising for RC PTA, at fundraisingvp@rabbitcreekpta.org.

Looking forward to a great Jog-a-Thon!

Dear Parent(s),

Rabbit Creek Elementary School will be teaching the 1st Quarter Personal Safety lessons the between October 7th and October 11th, 2019 during health class. The age-appropriate lessons will be presented in a non-threatening way, along with the skills needed for self-protection. The lesson content is part of the Anchorage School District's plan to enact the Alaska Safe Children's Act and will be handled in a sensitive, respectful manner.

1 st Quarter Lessons						
Kinder- garten	1 st grade	2 nd grade	3 rd grade	4 th grade	5 th grade	6 th grade
<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 5, Lesson 4: Safe Touch, Unsafe Touch</p> <p>Song: My Body Is Special</p>	<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 6, Lesson 4: My Body is Private</p>	<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 5, Lesson 4: Your Body is Private</p>	<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 6, Lesson 4: Personal Safety</p>	<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 5, Lesson 4: Preventing Abuse</p>	<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 5, Lesson 4: Send the Message: My Body is Private</p>	<p>The Great Body Shop</p> <p>Unit 4, Lesson 4: Sexual Harassment and Abuse</p>

If you have any questions about the content of the program or if you wish to inquire about opting out, please contact our Elementary Health Specialist, Erika Jones; jones_erika@asdk12.org.

Thank you for partnering with us as we continue to provide learning opportunities to improve the safety and well being of our students.

Sincerely,
Kristina Peterson



**FREE immunizations against Seasonal
Influenza Scheduled Oct 8th from 3:30-6:30**

Our Rabbit Creek community (Students, parents, siblings, neighbors, teachers... even your neighbor) has the opportunity to be vaccinated against the flu. Just show up (no insurance needed) and follow the signs to our 1st community flu shot clinic.

Wishing you a healthful year,
Debbie McKinney RN NCSN



SAVE THE DATE!!!

DATE: OCTOBER 17 TH

RABBIT CREEK MONSTER MASH FALL DANCE

TIME: 7:00-9:00 PM IN THE RABBIT CREEK MPR AND GYM

COST: \$5 PER STUDENT, MAX \$10 PER FAMILY

BEWARE...MORE DETAILS ARE COMING SOON!

Thank you for being a PTA Business Member!

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