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OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

Dear Carroll Elementary Parents/Guardians:

I hope you and your families have had success transitioning to the new school year. We had a very successful month of September and are ready to progress through the autumn season. I want to thank all of the parents that joined us for our Curriculum Information Nights. For those of you who were unable to attend, I have placed my overview PowerPoint on the school's website.

We continue to have many things planned for the month of October. Our third grade students and staff will be conducting our Whole School Morning Meeting on Monday, October 2, 2017. The focus for the meeting will be Habit #2: Begin with the End in Mind. We will be celebrating all of our fathers during the PTO Donuts for Dads event on Wednesday, October 11, 2017. We will be celebrating Red Ribbon Week as a reminder to stay "Drug Free". Students will have the opportunity to participate in a school spirit dress code during Red Ribbon Week. This year we will be holding a Harvest Day event on Friday, October 27, 2017. This will be an all-day event as students will rotate through different "fall friendly" activities. More information regarding this event will be sent home at a later date.

We have made adjustments to our "Parent Drop-Off" and "Parent Pick-Up" procedures are to ensure for a safe and smooth transition to the arrival and departure of all our students this school year. All of our procedures are reviewed at the end of this month's newsletter. Please review and follow these procedures. Thank you for your cooperation!

We have also attached the October Reading Connection documents to our newsletter email. There is a primary version (PreK-2) and an intermediate version (3-5). Please review the document that best suits your child. The information within these newsletters will provide a suggested book list, ideas for discussion points when your child is reading, and activities that can be completed at home to develop reading skills. Please consider implementing some of these activities at home.

I will be sending home a parent newsletter each month. The newsletter will contain important information, upcoming events, and highlights from students or their classrooms. Hopefully the newsletter will keep you informed on the incredible things taking place here and will be helpful in your planning throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kristi Wickard



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A message from the School Nurse... Who is at risk for getting head lice? Head lice are found worldwide. In the United States, infestation with head lice is most common among pre-school children attending child care, elementary schoolchildren, and the household members of infested children. Although reliable data on how many people in the United States get head lice each year are not available, an estimated 6 million to 12 million infestations occur each year in the United States among children 3 to 11 years of age. Head lice move by crawling; they cannot hop or fly. Head lice are spread by direct contact with the hair of an infected person. Anyone who comes in head-to-head contact with someone who already has head lice is at greatest risk. Spread by contact with clothing (such as hats, scarves, coats) or other personal items (such as combs, brushes, or towels) used by an infected person is uncommon. Personal hygiene or cleanliness in the home or school has nothing to do with getting head lice. ~Directly from the CDC

~Please advise your child/children to not share coats, hats, scarves, combs, brushes, headbands or hair ties during this time of year. It is very important for the clothing items to stay in a book bag, in the sleeves of their coat or in the pockets. This is not an easy time of year as it begins to get colder and these creatures are looking for warm places to grow. The notification above is to provide you with the necessary awareness to be as preventative as possible.

Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent teacher conferences will be held on November 8-9, 2017. (November 8-3:30-7:30 pm and November 9- 3:30-7:00 pm). This is an important event that helps us communicate and allows us to work as a team to better educate your child. Information regarding conferences will be sent home within the next couple weeks.



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***Top Mustangs- Habit #1: Be Proactive**

Students are recognized for being TOP MUSTANGS when they are “caught” displaying exemplary behaviors within our 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. They receive a top mustang ticket, which is then entered into a drawing. Each Friday, or end of the week, two tickets are drawn from each grade level and the students get to choose a prize from the Top Mustang Student Store. Congratulations to our top mustang winners for the month of September- Habit #1: Be Proactive:

Elizabeth Esposito, Kadin Haag, Kaylee Murray, Shelby Eshelman, Jace Gutowski, Brennan Hair, Sydney Koons, Gabbie Kistler, Will Thiemann, McKenna Jones, Nate Bell, Isabella Lanza, Wyatt Lowe, Weston Shenk,, Case Bower, Skylar Palm, Kenna Murray, Mason Shanafelter, Darrin Hammaker, Maxwell Craft, Elliott Wyland, Evelyn Lowe, Aubrey Jamison, Lexi Hughes, Tyler Sokoloski, Kiley Masser, Lylah Sprecher, Dylan Jones, Kyrie Mincey, Kai Brownawell, Korbin Folk, William Watson, Mason Sprecher, Kayden Blaine, Mason Diehl, Jada Swarner, Jadelyn Miller, Sage Kitner, Dale Pfeil, Rylie Lehman, Jaide Dill, Draegen Radonvich, Emma DaShiell, Kendall McGowan, Hayden Jamison, Jacob Conrad, Brayden Foster, Riley Fisk, Ayden Weller, Isaiah Ntzanis, Colton Moore, Emma Backenstoss, Olivia Wiest, Aubrianna Trego, Marcín Kring, Abby Gorman, Addilyn Stouffer, Keoni Stouffer, Olivia Liddick, Landen Krupyak, Brooke Tewell, Christopher Risner, Zoie Frey

Our TOP MUSTANGS are outstanding!!!



Red Ribbon Week – October 23-27, 2017



Carroll Elementary is participating in Red Ribbon Week, showing our school-wide support for drug awareness and being drug-free. The theme is “Your Future is Key, so Stay Drug Free”. Please help the staff celebrate Red Ribbon Week by having your student(s) participate in our themed dress days!

October 23	Stand up to Drugs.....	Wear Super Hero gear
October 24	Sock it to Drugs.....	Wear crazy socks
October 24	Band Against Drugs.....	Wear headbands and wristbands
October 24	Living Drug Free is No Sweat	Wear sweat pants or sweat shirts
October 27	Red-y to Live Drug Free	Wear the color red



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Dates to Remember

October 9	In-Service Day- No School for Students
October 10	PTO Meeting 6:00 pm
October 11	Donuts for Dads 7:00-7:45 am
October 16	School Board Meeting 7:30 pm
October 17-19	Book Fair
October 18	Picture Day
October 20	PTO Family Movie Night
October 23-27	Red Ribbon Week
October 27	Harvest Day
October 27	End of the 1 st Marking Period
November 3	PTO Family Movie Night
November 8	Parent Teacher Conferences; 3:30-7:30 pm
November 9	Parent Teacher Conferences; 3:30-7:00 pm
November 10	In-Service Day - No School for Students
November 14	PTO Meeting @ 6:00 pm
November 21	Picture Retake Day
November 22	Trade-Off Day - No School
November 23-27	Thanksgiving Break



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Parent Drop-Off and Parent Pick-Up information for 2017-2018

If you elect to transport your child or children to school in the morning, please refer to the specific directions below regarding our "Parent Drop-Off" information:

- Parents will enter the upper level parking lot and drive along the fire lane area in front of the school.
- Parents will form a line starting at the orange cone in front of MPH sign and crosswalk.
- Students will exit vehicles within the designated cone area.
- There will be a Carroll Elementary School staff member present in the cone area to monitor students as they exit vehicles as well as monitoring the traffic patterns of other vehicles.
- Please prepare your child or children to only exit from the right side of the vehicle (passenger side) to ensure a safe transition to the sidewalk as they enter the building.
- As students exit the vehicles, parents will be directed to exit the parking lot as other vehicles progress to the designated drop off area.
- Parents who need to enter the office must park their vehicle and walk their child or children, along with themselves, into the building using the crosswalk at the far left of the fire lane. This will ensure that adults and children are not walking between vehicles that are in the "drop off" car line. (Please refer to picture A.)

Picture A:



Picture A is showing the entrance to the top level parking lot. It also reflects the path of the fire lane that vehicles will travel to enter the designated cone area for "Parent Drop-Off".

Picture B is showing the designated cone area for "Parent Drop-Off". Only the vehicles within the designated cone area will be permitted to release

Picture B:



If you elect to pick-up your child or children at the conclusion of the school day, please refer to the specific directions below regarding our "Parent Pick-Up" information:

- Parents electing to pick up their child or children at the conclusion of the day must send in a signed note or call the school no later than 2:15 pm.
- Parents will enter the lower level parking lot to pick up their children at the conclusion of the day.
- After the buses are dismissed, parents that are in our "Parent Pick-Up" car line will travel along the sidewalk to the exit/entrance doors.
- There will be Carroll Elementary Staff members that will monitor the dismissal of your child or children to your vehicle.
- Parents are required to stay in their vehicles during this transition time.
- Parents will also be required to sign their child or children out on the sign-out sheet that will be monitored by a staff member.
- Once your child or children are in their parent's possession, the vehicle will be permitted to exit the parking lot.

New information this year regarding "Parent Pick-Up":

- **Parents may only enter the office area to pick up their children from school if they have an appointment (i.e., doctor, dentist, therapy) that requires a dismissal prior to the conclusion of the school day. The school day ends at 2:55 pm.**
- **All students that are picked up by parents at the conclusion of the school day will be required to enter the lower level "Parent Pick-Up" car line.**