

R.O.A.R Report

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Shared Vision - Rim Rock nurtures and equips mindful, engaged and empowered learners!

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February 28, 2018

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, March 1 – SAC Meeting – 4:15 pm

Tuesday, March 6 – Pre-School Open House 4:30 – 6:30

Thursday, March 8 – PTO Meeting – 4:00 pm

Friday, March 9 – No School - Teacher Work Day

Friday, March 9 – Kindergarten Round Up – 8:00 – 12:00

Monday, March 12 – Friday, March 16 – No School – Spring Break

Thursday, April 5 – PTO Meeting – 4:00 pm

Friday, April 13 – Spring Pictures

Focus on Learning

CMAS Testing – Starts March 19th

We will begin our CMAS Math and English Language Arts (3-5th) testing as well as our CMAS Science (5th) and CMAS Social Studies (4th) testing when we return from Spring Break. We have placed our CMAS testing calendar on our school website for you to review with your family

<http://rimrock.mesa.k12.co.us/documents/2018CMAS-Schedule2018.pdf>.

Please note when your child(ren) will be testing and avoid any appointments or family trips during those times. Due to our size, our testing window is very tight and constant communication about planned absences is crucial.

If you know your child will miss a session, PLEASE notify your child's teacher immediately so we can plan ahead and arrange for all sessions of testing. For accurate reporting information, student scoring and school accreditation, it is important for all of our students to complete each portion of the exam. If a child starts a segment of the exam, they MUST complete all parts within that subject.

Our District has also put together information around testing expectations at each grade level. This information can be found here:

<http://www.d51schools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=81872&pageId=511080>

If you have any questions about the calendar or the testing, please contact Ms. Davis, our School Assessment Coordinator before Spring Break.

Focus on Safety

Playground and Parking Lot Safety

We know providing a safe environment for our learners is our top priority. We need your continued partnership with the following areas and times of the day.



Playground supervision begins at **8:35 am**. Students should not be on campus prior to this time unless they are attending an organized tutoring session or school sponsored group meeting. At the end of the day, supervision ends at **4:00 pm** – all students should be off campus or waiting in the front office for pick up. Please reinforce these times and expectations with your children so we can provide the needed supervision and safe learning environment they need.

Patience, patience, patience –

PLEASE – in our parking lot and on surrounding area roads. A few extra minutes to ensure the safety of our children is well worth it. Remember to stay in your car while dropping off or waiting for your children unless you are parked in a **designated** parking spot. Please do not have your children run from your car to the sidewalk or from the sidewalk to your car – this puts them in great danger! In addition, as you are pulling up to drop off or pick up your children, please be respectful of our handicap accessible ramps. Finally, do not block other families in by sitting behind park cars. Following our



guidelines ensures a more timely and SAFE drop off and pick up for our children.

Your continued partnership is very important in keeping our children safe!

Focus on School Community and Culture

Read Across America – Thanks to our PTO



We've had a GREAT week celebrating the work of Dr. Seuss. Hopefully you were able to join us this morning for donuts and reading!! Our AMAZING PTO put together a week of fun and celebration!! Rumor has it

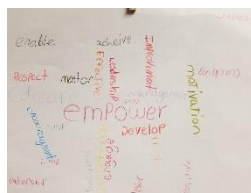
there were cotton candy *Truffula Trees* in the cafeteria on Friday!! Reading is a life-long skill – share your joy of reading with your children – even carve out time each week to read together!!!

ROAR Behavior Recognition

Check out our January winners on our Facebook page!!! Kindergarten – Camden W, 1st grade – Jacob M, 2nd grade – Landon N, 3rd grade – Madie C., 4th grade – Abbie B., and 5th grade – Tatum L. Each month we post our winners on our Facebook page – make sure you are following us!

Shared Vision

We have spent the last month “unpacking” – meaning to make sense of – our NEW shared vision with our students. I HIGHLY encourage you to ask your child(ren) about their understanding of the words nurture, equips, mindful, engaged and empowered.



Keep your eyes out for a video created by our NEHS members as well!!

Counselor Corner – Mrs. Walke

February's counselor lessons continued to focus on managing emotions. We learned about using “I-messages” to express our feelings and problem solve. “I-messages” allow you to tell someone how you are feeling and what you would like to happen, without escalating the situation.

Here is the format for an “I-message”: I feel _____ when _____. I would like _____.

The following is an example of an “I-message”- “I feel sad when you leave me out of your game. I would like you to include me.”

Another version of an “I-message” is a “bug and a wish statement.” Here is the format for a “bug and a wish statement”: It bugs me when _____. I wish you would_____.

The following is an example of a “bug and a wish statement”- “It bugs me when you tease me. I wish you would stop.”

We also talked about honesty, which is a district social and emotional learning focus standard for the month of February. We read a book called *Ruthie and the (Not So) Teeny Tiny Lie* by Laura Rankin. We discussed the differences between telling the truth and telling a lie and consequences of each choice. Telling the truth is a good choice because there are good consequences, such as: people trust and respect you, it is the right thing to do, it feels good, and makes people happy.

Student Council and National Elementary Honor Society Supporting our Community



Fruita Monument High School Honor Society students are raising money to help a seven-year old Mesa County boy named Lance. His wish is to have a therapy dog. Their goal is to raise \$8,000. They asked local elementary and middle school students to help. Our Rim Rock Elementary Student Council and National Elementary Honor Society students voted to participate in this fundraiser for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Our students will have the opportunity to raise money in a “Penny Wars” competition, as well as stuffing a “Wishing Well” with donations. These activities will take place the week of **March 19th**.



Spring Break is right around the corner - enjoy your time with your families and be ready for a fast and furious last three months of school!!!

CMAS testing STARTS the Monday after BREAK!!! We got this!!!!