

# Roadrunner BEEPS

School Office: 374-4935

Absence Line: 812-8675

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oct 1  <i>Kindness Club Retreat Permission Slips Due</i>	2 <b>Custodian Day!</b> <b>Thank our awesome custodians!</b>  <i>Kindness Club Meeting (lunch recess)</i>  Concert Choir 7:30 am	3  <i>Kindness Club Retreat (5/6 grade only)</i>  <b>Chess Club 3:20-4:00</b>	4  <b>REFLECTIONS DUE!</b>  Concert Choir 7:30 am	5  <b>Box Tops Collection</b>  Early Dismissal 1:30 pm
8 <u>Red Ribbon Week</u>	9 <u>Red Ribbon Week</u>  <b>CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER 5:00-9:00PM</b>  Concert Choir 7:30 am	10 <u>Red Ribbon Week</u>  <b>Chess Club 3:20-4:00</b>	11 <u>Red Ribbon Week</u>  Concert Choir 7:30 am	12 <u>Red Ribbon Week</u>  Early Dismissal 1:30 pm
15  <b>No School Fall Break</b>	16 <i>Kindness Club Meeting (lunch recess)</i>  Concert Choir 7:30 am	17  2:00PM REFLECTIONS ASSEMBLY  <b>Chess Club 3:20-4:00</b>	18  <b>No School Fall Break</b>	19  <b>No School Fall Break</b>
22  <b>No School Fall Break</b>	23  <b>No School Professional Development Day</b>	24 <b>PTA Meeting- Everyone is invited!</b> <b>10am faculty lounge</b>  <i>Storybook Pumpkin Patch</i> <b>Chess Club 3:20-4:00</b>	25  Picture Make-up Day <i>Storybook Pumpkin Patch</i> Concert Choir 7:30 am	26  <i>Storybook Pumpkin Patch</i>  Early Dismissal 1:30 pm
29 <i>Storybook Pumpkin Patch</i>	30  Concert Choir 7:30 am	31  Halloween Parade 1:15pm  <b>No Chess Club</b>		

**\*Please call the office if your child will be late or absent! Numbers are listed above on the calendar!\***

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

My favorite view was ruined last week. I grew up in Salem and moved my family back there a year ago. Our back patio faces the beautiful Loafer Mountain. I have always loved mountain views, but the fires have altered them so that they won't be the same for many years.

As my boys and I watched the fire progress across the mountains, we saw each tree ignite, burst into flame for a few seconds, and then smolder to a deep red. It was very beautiful, but very sad. What I saw on the mountain resembles many of the initiatives that are popular in education today. A few people are excited about a "new" program, they ignite interest in others, who burst with excitement, and then the excitement fizzles out when students don't progress as expected. This pattern is repeated over and over across the country. It's no wonder there is so much confusion and debate about how to help students succeed.

In contrast, we have found a pattern that successfully helps children to learn: effective lessons and purposeful reading, writing, and dialogue led by caring teachers and parents. That is the kind of education that I see happening at Rock Canyon. This kind of education is long lasting and life changing.

Because we are so committed to ensuring effective lessons and purposeful reading for each student, we have hired Alyce Jayne McKinney as a part-time facilitator. Her job will be to direct the work of identifying and addressing specific reading needs for each student. Alyce Jayne has many years' experience in literacy instruction and helping students succeed - and she used to teach at Rock Canyon!

As we identify specific reading needs, and instruct students in their reading, I feel assured that our students will find more success and confidence in their ability to learn and be successful in school and throughout life. -Seth Hansen, Principal

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**PTA Message:** Parents, we are so grateful for your interest and involvement in your child's education. We want to invite you to take the time to vote in this November's election and let your voice be heard! It will be a vote by mail. Of particular interest is Question #1 which is a state, non-binding opinion question that can help us encourage public education spending. The question is "To provide additional funding for public education and local roads, should the state increase the state motor and special fuel tax rates by an equivalent of 10 cents per gallon?" You can find out more voting information about this and other important measures and ballot items at [elections.utah.gov](http://elections.utah.gov). For city items, go to [www.voteprvo.com](http://www.voteprvo.com) for some information about the city bond. Mayor Kaufusi will be joining us at our October 24th PTA meeting at the school at 10am and will be taking some time to discuss the bond, please join us! Also come join us at Chipotle in Orem on Tuesday October 9 (during Red Ribbon Week!) between 5-9pm and mention you are with Rock Canyon Elementary PTA and we will receive 33% of proceeds (no online orders or purchases of gift cards)..an easy way to support our school and get dinner on the table. Wishing you all a safe and relaxing Fall Break!-Lily Mott, PTA President

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### Help make a difference for our school!

Please send in all the **Box Tops** you've collected over the summer. Our first collection is **Friday, October 5th**. If we reach our goal of 5,000 Box Tops this collection date, there will be a school wide reward! It's as easy as clipping, placing in a bag/envelope, and giving them to your teacher or to the office. Thanks for your support!



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**\*PLEASE LEAVE ALL HARD BALLS (LACROSSE BALLS, BASEBALLS, ETC) AT HOME, THANKS!**



**FALL BREAK STARTS ON OCTOBER 18TH FOR OUR STUDENTS THIS YEAR AND SCHOOL WILL RESUME ON OCTOBER 24TH.**

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**Halloween Parade:** The parade begins with the kindergarten and they will pick up classes as they weave through the school, ending in the gym. Grades K-4 will participate. A map of the parade route is in the office. Remember, **no masks that cover the face, no weapons, pretend or real, no costumes that are gory and have blood.**

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**Parents of 5th/6th grade Kindness Club members...**please sign and return your child's permission slip no later than Monday, October 1st. They will be bused to and from Provo City Library to attend the Kindness Club Retreat sponsored by Provo School District's Kindness Club. Lunch is provided for those who attend. There is no fee for this event. Their attendance is excused from school (approximately 9am-2pm) only with a signed permission slip. Your child will rehearse 2 performances that day for other schools. We will practice during their lunch recess on M/W/F the week prior. This should be a great day for them to learn new examples of spreading Kindness throughout our school! Thank you for your support!

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We will begin our **Provo Reads program** Oct 1. This years book is *Wish Tree* by Katherine Applegate. We will be hosting our annual **Storybook Pumpkin Patch** on **October 24th thru 29th** look for flyers that we be sent home before Fall Break. Looking ahead our **Geography Bee** will be held December 7 and **Spelling Bee** February 27th. We are just thrilled with the enthusiasm we see for reading, just a reminder books are checked out for one week. Overdue notices are sent out at the end of each month. -Warmly, Mrs. Meibos

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**Reminder:** PTA is asking for **\$20 donation per student**. If you have paid, thank you! If you haven't yet, make checks payable to Rock Canyon Elementary PTA or PayPal: [rcepta@gmail.com](mailto:rcepta@gmail.com) OR [paypal.me/rockcanyon](http://paypal.me/rockcanyon)

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**Remember Rock Canyon school spirit day is every Friday! Wear your school shirt or our school colors (blue and yellow) every Friday.**

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**Please make sure your email address is updated with the school. This BEEPS newsletter is going *digital* starting in January!**

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We cannot thank each of you enough for your donations of money and time to our school and PTA! Thank you also to: **Heidi Wilkey, Chrissy Blickenstaff, and Ashley Gerstner** for the Hoedown

**Blake Meldrum** for his enthusiastic help  
**Shannon Elias and Amy Jackson** for Kindness Club  
**Mary Alisa** for Membership  
**Melissa Weed** for T-shirts and Sweatshirts  
**Elizabeth Elder** for Vision Screening  
**Barbara Lepinski** for Bike to School Week

...and all the **parents** who have helped with each of these activities and events!



