



# KINDERGARTEN OCTOBER NEWS



Ridge View

October 2017

## Kindergartner's Rock!

### Jog-A-Thon!

On Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-10:00am, every student will be participating in Ridge View's Jog-A-Thon! The Jog-a-Thon is a fundraiser for the school, which means all funds are put back into the school. In the years past, the money has been used to purchase our beautiful mural in the foyer and our rock climbing wall in the gym! Every student in rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 will receive a large brown Jog-a-Thon envelope in his or her Friday folder. Please follow the instructions on the envelope, however if you have questions please feel free to contact your classroom teacher.

Each classroom will need volunteers to help outside during the Jog-A-Thon; organizing kids, water bottles and marking their tags as they run by! Please be on the lookout for a volunteer form that will be sent home soon in your child's Friday folder.

### ZOO PHONICS

You may have noticed your child coming home talking about silly animals that make letter sounds! That's a GOOD thing! We have started our phonics program called Zoo Phonics. Each letter has a specific animal and hand signal to go with it. Studies show kindergartners, as do other children under the age of 6, are very kinesthetic! They need to move, dance, sing and have fun while they're learning!

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>:** Individual Pictures

**Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>:** Jog-A-Thon

**Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>:** PTO Mtg. @3:30-Ridge View Library

**Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>:** NO SCHOOL-KINDER ONLY

**Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>:** No School-State Professional Development Day

**Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>:** Author/Illustrator Visit

**Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>:** Halloween Spirit Day-dress as your favorite book character!

### DROP OFF/PICK-UP ZONES

Please be sure to pick up your student in the appropriate drop off and pick up zones. Parents are asked to park on the street, not in the parking lot during times of pick up and drop off. For kindergarten, we always ask that you park your car and walk over to pick up your child. We do not want any of our little ones crossing the bus loop, road, or parking lot without parent/adult supervision.

## MID-TRIMESTER

Parents,

Mid-Trimester is quickly approaching! If you have any questions or would further like to discuss your child's academic and/or social progress, please speak with your teacher in person, phone call, or email. We continue to monitor your child both academically and socially and are busy assessing and preparing for fall conferences.



## GET INVOLVED!

Ridge View's PTO is always looking for extra hands! If you would like to get involved with the PTO, please use Facebook to contact them or their e-mail below. ☺

Ridgeviewpto@hotmail.com

## OCTOBER FOCUS

During October your child will be learning about various rocks and minerals as well as spiders. This high-interest content will be integrated in math, reading and writing. We have already started examining the three different types of rocks (metamorphic, sedimentary, and igneous) and the kids are loving it! A fun way to support our learning at home is to go out in your own yard and examine different types of rocks and discuss where and when you think its journey may have begun! Maybe over 100 years ago! Wow!

Dear Parents,

It has been our pleasure getting to know your child! As the school year progresses we will continue to work on their academic progress and appropriate behavior in class. We do ask every child during class to try their hardest and do their best work. Please let us know if you ever have any questions or concerns. We thank you for all of your support thus far and look forward to our year together!

Mrs. Hickman, Miss Stiles, Mrs. Sumsion, Mrs. Pechtel and Mrs. Weisgerber