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Hand in Hand, Together, We Make a Difference

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Dear Parents,

Report cards are coming home today and it is our hope that you will be pleased with the results. We strive to provide your child with the best education possible. If you ever feel that your child is not progressing as expected, please talk with his / her teacher as Roan Creek Elementary School faculty are always eager to help every student succeed.

We have great news – the Fall Festival raised over \$14,000.00! After expenses, our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) reported a record net profit of approximately \$11,000.00. We would like to say “thank you” to everyone who attended, bought tickets or helped in any way. PAC kindly donated \$75.00 to each teacher for the purchase of classroom supplies. Additionally, they contributed \$4,000.00 to help finance the school’s end-of-the-nine-week’s reward trips. The Council will use the remaining money to fund various student appreciation activities throughout the year. PAC has been a major benefactor of the school and their continued support is greatly appreciated. If you would like to show your support through participation in PAC, you are invited to attend the next scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m.

The Fall Festival featured amazing talent in the form of faculty and staff, who, by the way, received rave reviews. It comes as no surprise that the performers have had requests for a repeat performance. Fortunately, one has been scheduled for January 31, at Heritage Hall so mark your calendar for a most unforgettable afternoon of family entertainment. Tickets will go on sale before the event and more information will follow once we have more details.

I want to make you aware of an event that will be taking place at our school tomorrow, October 17, which will involve all students. We will be practicing a mock evacuation as part of our efforts to enhance our safety plan. Beginning at 12:45 p.m., all faculty, staff and students will be transported to Roan Creek Baptist Church at 639 Lumpkin Branch Road. The church has been designated as a departure site for our school should the need for an emergency evacuation take place. Of course, the subject is not something anyone enjoys discussing but we want to ensure the safety of your child in advance of any urgent situation. In the future, should an actual evacuation occur, all students will be transported to the church. In such an event, fifth and sixth grade students will be housed in the Hale’s Ministry building across from Roan Creek Baptist. Grades Pre K and Kindergarten will be located in the fellowship hall behind the church. Grades 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be kept inside the main sanctuary or classroom area. Personnel will be stationed at the entrance to all buildings to assist you in picking up your child. Tomorrow, if you must pick up your child between 12:45 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., please do so before or after the scheduled drill.

You are invited to attend a Title 1 meeting in the media center at 6:30 p.m. on November 6.. At this meeting, you will learn more about federal programs that provide funding for student learning. Also, we will provide interpretation of test scores and how we use data to determine students' instructional needs. We will be giving away a \$50.00 gas card and you might be the lucky winner so please plan to attend.

Many activities will be taking place over the next several months and in an effort to keep you informed, dates are listed below as follows:

October 23,

- Reward's Trip, eligible 5th and 6th grade students to Shull's Farm, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Reward's Trip, eligible 3rd and 4th grade students to Shull's Farm, 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

October 24,

- Reward's Trip, eligible 2nd grade students to Shull's Farm, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Reward's Trip, eligible Kindergarten and 1st grade students to Shull's Farm, 11:30 a.m. (The cafeteria will be serving bag lunches on the day of the field trips to Shull's Farm)
- 6th grade field trip to Charlotte, NC (traveling Science Museum)

October 27 – 31	Red Ribbon Week
November 3, 4	Vacation
November 6	Title 1 Meeting, 6:30 p.m. / PAC, 7:00 p.m.
November 11,	Mid-Term Progress Reports
November 25	Mid-Term Reward's Dance (50's, 60's 70's Theme)
November 26 – 28	Thanksgiving Break
December 8, 9	Christmas Program, 7:00 p.m.
December 15, 16	Snow dates for Christmas Program
December 19	½ day
December 20 – January 4	Christmas Vacation
January 8	Report Cards
January 31	Teacher Idol at Heritage Hall
February 3	Mid-term Progress Reports 5 th Grade TCAP Writing Assessment
February 10	Parent /Teacher Conferences, 3:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
February 13	Mid-term Reward – Longhorn Pep Rally
February 27	RCE Science Fair (Grades 4,5,6)
March 19	Report Cards
April 17	Mid-term Progress Reports
April 20 – 24	TCAP Testing

We will keep you posted as new dates are added.

As always, you are invited to visit during the school day. It is better to schedule an appointment should you need to meet with your child's teacher or an administrator as we value your input.

Sincerely,

Dana Stafford

