



ROCK RIDGE ELEMENTARY

ROCK RIDGE REVIEW

May 2020

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Attendance Line
303-387-5152

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303-387-5150

Weather Closure
303-387-SNOW

2019-2020
School Calendar

HOURS
First Bell 8:30am
School Begins 8:35am
All Dismiss 3:30pm
AM Kinder 8:30-11:15
PM Kinder 12:45-3:30

A Note From the Principal

Hello RRE families,

Welcome to the final newsletter for the 2019-2020 school year. I hope this newsletter finds you and your family healthy and well. It's nice to have such amazing spring weather and I hope you have been able to get outside to soak up some Vitamin D.

What a crazy school year, I believe is an understatement! A first for all of us! Going through an abrupt transition from a regular school day to virtual learning was a steep learning curve for everyone involved. Thank you for your patience, flexibility and understanding as we all continue to navigate this new learning environment. The District has been working with State and Local agencies to develop a plan for the Fall. You will be receiving updates throughout the summer as progress is made on an action plan.

RRE Curbside Distribution is scheduled for Monday, May 18th and Tuesday, May 19th. Details are posted on our school website. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly peter.mosby@dcsdk12.org.

The week of May 11th is the last week of remote learning supported by technology. The following week is the official last week of school. Learning will continue through remote learning opportunities shared by your child's teacher(s). If you have any questions, please follow up with your teacher.

I want to give a **HUGE** shout out to all of our volunteers that make a dramatic impact on our students and classrooms everyday. Normally, we would be honoring you with a volunteer breakfast. I look forward to this

event every year. Know that your time and energy have not gone unappreciated and that the entire staff is grateful for your continued support and service. Thank you to Lydia Goodland (PTO President) and our entire PTO for the countless acts of support and hours behind the scenes to benefit our families, students and faculty.

Congratulations to our continuing 6th Graders! We will be having a virtual continuation ceremony that will be shared with 6th grade families on Thursday, May 21st at 5:00pm. It has been a privilege to be part of your elementary journey and look forward to hearing about all future accomplishments. Make us proud!

I want to give a special shout out to our School Accountability Committee that consists of parents, teachers and community members. This is a group of individuals that make recommendations to the principal regarding school policies. We will be having our last SAC meeting Tuesday, May 12th. I would like to thank our outgoing member Stacy Chamaty, who served as Chair and CoChair during her tenure at RRE. We appreciate your dedication and support to RRE and our community. August 2020, we will be holding SAC elections and are searching for a parent and a community representation to serve. Please contact me for more information or if you are interested in serving on this committee.

Have a great summer. Stay safe and healthy. Looking forward to seeing you all next school year.

Thanks for an unprecedented and memorable year!
Peter Mosby

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Important Dates/ Mark Your Calendars

**** DCSD Closure extended through
End of the Year****

May 18th-19th

Curbside Pick-up at RRE

May 21st (5:00pm)

6th Grade Continuation (virtual)



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Celebrating Our Students

Remote Learning

Learning is more fun with your family!

"Never stop learning; for when we stop learning, we stop growing."

- Loyal 'Jack' Lewman

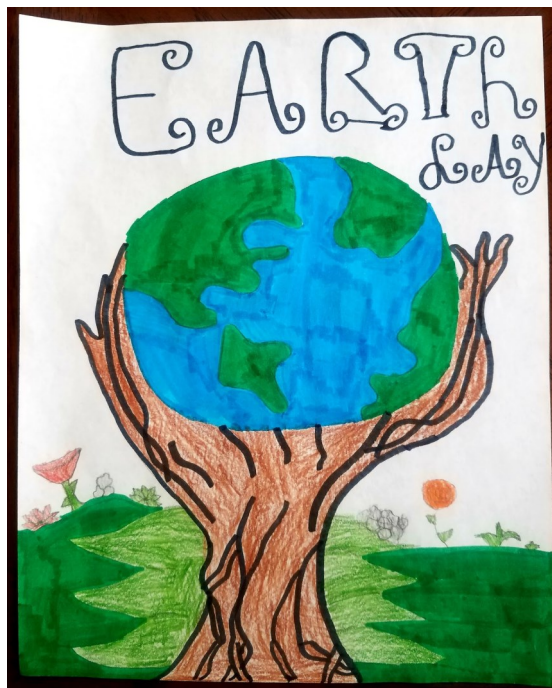


Sophie Svoboda (Kindergarten) with her little sister, Skylar



Pyper Counts (5th) with her sister, Tehya (4th)

Fun Art Activities Done at Home!



Curbside Pickup

During the week of May 18-22, Rock Ridge will allow our students and parents/guardians to pick up personal belongings (materials, medicine, etc.) left at the school and drop off items to be returned (i.e. technology, textbooks, library books, classroom book bags, musical instruments, etc.) through a curbside process with assigned time/date slots.

Remote learning that requires the use of technology will end on Friday, May 15 and end of year activities will occur the week of May 22nd.



The Box Tops Incentive Program

Box Tops are still going!! The year end Box Tops competition will end on Friday, May 15th! The winning class will be announced on Facebook and the trophy will be handed out at the beginning of next school year.

As always, Box Tops continue to bring in funds for technology to our school. Make sure you are scanning receipts all summer! Thanks!

For more information about Box Tops for Education as well as instructions for downloading the app, go to:

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Hi Rock Ridge families!! We are here to say that even while we are in remote learning mode, Specials are still continuing. Every week a link is provided to your child's teacher indicating what activities are assigned for that particular special. In addition, the specials information is also provided on the Rock Ridge Website under our particular classroom page. You can use the links provided here to see our web pages:

[Sra Connelly - Spanish](#), [Mrs Eads - Music](#), [Ms Gonzalez - Art](#), [Coach Lentz - P.E.](#)

We would love to hear from your child. Please have them email us or share with us what they have done during the week. We love to see your pictures and videos!!

Gym: For the last rotation, students will have the opportunity to compete in simple physical challenges and post their scores on the leaderboards. The last task for the week is by far the most important (and my favorite) and it has nothing to do with PE. I hope everyone is staying healthy and active!

Art: I have been getting a lot of great art submissions since moving to remote learning. I would love to celebrate student's work with a virtual art show! An email will be sent out the week of Monday, May 11th with the link to the show. It will also be on the Rock Ridge website. Please continue to email me your artwork for the week. Please include your first and last name, and your classroom teacher's name so I know who is submitting their assignments.

Music: Find the Google Classroom code to Our Virtual Guitar Club on Mrs. Eads Webpage. You will find some guitar resources as well as our meeting times. We will be meeting 3 more times in May. Hope to see you there.

The Rock Ridge talent show is going virtual!! A link will be sent home and will also be posted on our school website.

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International Baccalaureate

Each month we focus on an IB Learner Profile and **Thinkers** is our focus for the month of **May**.

- These students exercise initiative in applying thinking skills critically and creatively to make sound decisions and to solve complex problems.
- Students who are thinkers work to solve problems. They can imagine many solutions to a question or challenge. Thinkers make good decisions and can predict the outcomes of their actions. They think creatively and critically.

How can parents help to develop students who are Thinkers at home?

- Encourage your child to try to think of solutions to problems independently.
- Pose different real-life problems and questions to your child:
 - ◇ "I'm not sure how to arrange the glasses so they can all fit in the cupboard."
 - ◇ "I wonder how much the groceries in the cart will cost... how can we make an estimate?"
 - ◇ "We need enough cookies for the 20 people in your class. What kind of changes should we make to our recipe?"
- Ask your children questions when they are working on a problem:
 - ◇ "Do you have any ideas about how we might begin?"
 - ◇ "How can we do this differently?"
 - ◇ "I had never thought of that. Tell me more about it."
 - ◇ "What other ways can we show that?"
 - ◇ "Why do you think that?"
 - ◇ "How did you figure that out?"



Thinker - Book List

Both books allow us to reflect on how the characters changed. Each character goes through a lesson that helps them to develop an awareness of themselves, how they can help themselves to grow and improve and move onwards and upwards.

The Girl Who Never Made A Mistake is great at illustrating how perfectionism can be debilitating and that we absolutely can use mistakes positively for our own learning.

Ish is a study of how we can harness our creativity and blossom without having to have everything exactly perfect. It actually questions, what is perfect anyway. I love it!