

# Red Rock Day School

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October 2020



## Upcoming Event:

### **October 12:**

No School- Columbus Day

### **November 11:**

No School- Columbus Day

### **November 19:**

Quarter 1 Ends

### **November 23-27:**

Thanksgiving Break

## **Welcome Back to Red Rock Day School Students!!**

### Exceptional Student Program:

As we begin this school year, we are facing new challenges with working from home. Your child might feel like he or she will never make it through all their assignments. The Idea of working quick and easy breaks into your child's home routine may provide the key to helping you child/ren remain focused and understand the material. Brain Breaks should be worked in at least once every hour and can look different in every room. Typically these breaks should be a fun but structured activity that involves movement and should take less than 5 minutes. You and your child can brain storm several activities and then place them in a container to be selected from each day.

Some great examples of quick, easy brains breaks are:

- Quick dance party (turn on music and do goofy dances at your seat)
- Chair Dips or wall push-ups
- Charades (Can even be related to content)
- Yoga or breathing exercises at desks
- Riddle of the Day or brain Teasers

All brain breaks won't look the same but the basic idea is to ensure that students receive quick minute to refresh and refocus so they are ready to absorb more information. Theses may seem silly but you will be amazed at the difference in your child's retention!

Tashina Wilson-Yazzie, Exceptional Student Teacher

### **Attendance:**

**Regular School Attendance is the Key to academic success. Student are expected to be at school on time every school day. Absences may impact student performance, and final grades.**

**The Code of Federal Regulations in 25 CFR 36.31 mandates: A student who has not participated in a minimum of 80 instructional Days per semester without a written excused absence shall not be promoted."**

**\*Students will be automatically dropped when they have missed 10 consecutive Days.**

### From the Registrar's Office:

The Registrar's office continuously updates the student data base and requesting that all parents/ guardians contact her of any of the following changes:

- Home locations/ maps
- Telephone deletions/ additions
- Mailing address updates
- Student check-out Updates
- Guardianship/ legal orders

The Reason for her request is that student mail is being returned undelivered, Red Rock Staff are unable to reach parents for illness, injury, student returns from bus routes, etc. Please Parents, this is very important.

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## Kindergarten & First Grade

**Mrs. Benally**

Fall has arrived. A new season is upon us. A new school year finally begun.

Thank you, parents and guardians, for choosing to enroll your child at Red Rock Day School. It is my honor and privilege to have your son or daughter in my classes.

With the first couple of weeks completed, we know there are some issues. Give it some time for us to work out the kinks in lessons assigned and work that needs to be returned. This new year has brought other challenges that we did not have last year. Be patient. Communicate with me about any concerns.

Kindergarten is just starting out on their path of education. They will need guidance every step of the way.

First Grade will need support through the first semester as they learn to read and become more fluent. Once they are showing they can read on their own AND understand what they are reading, then we can begin to let them work more independently.

So much of Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade is learning their foundational skills. Modeling for your child will help them to grasp concepts quicker. Make up real life examples for them to understand. Use the math kit to show them the math lessons. Allow them to use it for their practice problems and homework lessons.

"Don't give up at the first signs of friction: only through clear communication, flexibility and willingness to adapt can you find a relationship that will weather the storms of life." Tom Miles, A Year For Change

### PACKETS

- PICKUP ON MONDAYS
- RETURN ON FRIDAYS
- READ CAREFULLY

### HOMEWORK

- ASSIGNED PAGES NEED TO BE TORN OUT AND RETURNED

### WORKBOOKS

- STAY AT HOME
- MAY ASK FOR PICTURES TO BE SENT TO THE TEACHER

### CONCERNS OR QUESTIONS???

CALL OR TEXT ME

(480) 238-3132

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## Wildcat News for Third Grade

I appreciate the dedication and efforts of all the third graders, parents, siblings, and grandparents that have guided the student learning tasks. Job well done! The routine will feel smoother as we go move forward. Third grade is exploring how characters' emotions and motivations create reactions that define the traits of a person or animal character as well as form the sequence of a story. Our clever detectives search deep into the text for evidence this school year. We are understanding how multiplication is the addition of equal groups or rows in an array. The flow of energy in nature's food chains always begins with the sun. Your Dine' cultural values respect nature's plants and animals. Our actions maintain a healthy environment for living. Enjoy the sun's warmth and stay healthy!

Ahe'hee' to all!

J. Kuhlman



## Welcome to 4th Grade

I would like to welcome you and your child again to a new school year at Red Rock Day School. I am glad to have your child in 4<sup>th</sup> grade this school year. I am excited to begin this year by getting to know your child. I am looking forward to teaching your child and working with you to make the most of your child's education.

In addition, I would like for you to continue working with your child on the following:

- Read independently (books, Open Court book, chapter books, etc. ) and record on reading log.
- Ask them questions about the book or story they read. (What was the story mostly about? Who were the characters? Where did the story take place? How did the story end? Etc.)
- Practice and know addition and subtraction math facts ( $8+3=11$ ,  $12-4=8$ , etc.)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me through a phone call, text, or email. I will be contacting you or your child once a week for any questions. My office hours and contact are as following:

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Phone number: (480) 235-9417

Email: [Caroleen.damonfrank@bie.edu](mailto:Caroleen.damonfrank@bie.edu)

Thank you,

Mrs. Damon-Frank  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Red Rock Day School

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Greetings 5<sup>th</sup> grade students/parents,

Welcome back to another school year. By now you should have completed and submitted 2 learning packets so thank you students. Each week you will be assigned a learning packet consisting of Reading, Writing, Language, Math, Social Studies, Science, and Navajo. In addition, daily homework tasks and independent activities for Friday will be included.

**Students:** Please do your best each day when completing your Learning Packets. Work on the pages assigned to you so you are not cramming at the end of the week. You and your parents should designate a place and time when you will be working with limited distractions. Each week I will provide notes to serve as a guide for your packets so please read them thoroughly before starting an assignment. Several students have taken the initiative to call/text me to ask for assistance and please continue to do so if needed.

**Parents:** Thank you for assisting your child in completing their weekly packets. If your child is in need of any school supplies please notify me and we will get you what you need. At the end of each week check your child's packet to ensure all tasks are completed. I know distant learning can get frustrating but remember we are all in this together so please call or text me if you have any questions as well. Once again Ahe'hee.

Together we will get through this so please continue to stay safe and follow all safety precautions set in place.

*Ms. Frazier*

## EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

### BACK TO SCHOOL

We are into another new year of learning virtual. Take time to enjoy the new season. Remember to keep up with your learning packets. Pace yourself and try your best to complete the lessons. Take and keep safe.

#### October

During the month of October the Navajos cleared their fields in preparation for winter. October is Ghaaji which means End of Growing Season. Harvested crops were brought into storage cellars to feed the family during the winter months.

At this time Mother Earth also welcomes all living things back under her covers that could be hurt by the harsh cold and formidable winds for the long winter months of sleep. For the early Navajos it was time to go hunting. The wild game yearlings were hunted for their tender meat. The older game animals were hunted for their hides.

### OBJECTIVE

#### Learning objective:

##### Reading (Review)-

- story elements
- cause/effect,
- recognizing vocabulary

##### Mathematics-

- transformation
- reflection
- translation



*“Home of the Wildcats”*