January 2015

The Journey Continues….Go, Grow, Know, Show!

It’s hard to believe that another year has gone by. 2014 was a wonderful year at Reiley and we are looking forward to even greater things for the new year. Most students are finished with their midyear MAP tests and teachers will send home reports about their progress sometime this month. MAP scores are a solid indication overall of how students will perform on the KPREP test in the spring. We will continue to focus on writing within all content areas as the school year progresses. Student writing has been a strength at Reiley and is a huge part of students scoring in the top ten percent in the state on assessments. The real-world requires us to write on-demand and demonstrate our capabilities. We are proud that our students are mastering this skill at an elementary level. This will only prove to help them later in their schooling and with their career.

Students should be reading at night and working on their Accelerated Reader goals. We will have a trimester reward for those students meeting their individual goal. Every student has a goal that was made collaboratively with their teacher so it is appropriate and attainable. Students who have internet access at home may also take quizzes on evenings and weekends. Compass Learning is also available to students at home through online access. All students have assignments and paths they can work on from home. Many students are registered on the xtramath.org and the links page on our website has several student sites highlighted. So when the kids say they are bored you have a several educational options to offer them!

Our kindergarteners are collecting items for their service learning project. They are looking for gently used shoes and handmade scarves, hats, and gloves. These items will go to the needy both near and far away. Last year they collected almost 500 pairs of shoes. Their goal is to increase that number this year. All items can be sent to school with your child.

Reiley Rocks!

Susan Rath
Site Base Update

The Site Base Decision Making council (SBDM) is the governing body of a school. The council makes decisions that affect policies and procedures for areas such as curriculum, instructional practices, discipline, school schedule, and school space. Site Base did not meet in December. Our next meeting will be January 26th at 5:30 p.m. in the library. We will be approving the School Improvement Plan that is located in draft form on our webpage.

PTA

The PTA is planning for several upcoming activities. The next meeting is January 26th at 7:00. Please plan to attend so you can find out how to help our programs be successful.

Mrs. Sebastian, the school counselor, has attached the Counselor's Corner to this newsletter. Check it out!

Congratulations to Nick Wittrock and Grace Thomas, Runner-Up and Winner of the Reiley Science Fair. They will both participate in the Regional STEM competition at NKU in February.

Check out This Link!

Cold, wintery days can be extended family time. It's also a time to learn together, and for many families nowadays, that means using gadgets—tablets, smartphones, and game consoles. As families share a story, play a game, or design a robot, time together means interacting with children in a fun way, and in the process, sparking their curiosity and creativity while helping them develop their language, science, and math skills. Check out this link to see some of following suggestions for apps that you can try, many of which are free or inexpensive to purchase.


STAY CONNECTED

Text @RoadrunnersRock to 23559 to join our text message group. Receive texts about school information.

Follow us on Twitter!

@reileyrock!

Reiley's website:

www.campbellcountyschools.org/school_home.aspx?schoolID=8

Congratulations Brady Delaney and Lillian King for becoming the winter and runner up in the school Spelling Bee! Brady will go on to compete in the regional competition next month in Cincinnati.
Hello Roadrunners!

This school year has gotten off to a great start! I am excited to share that I am now full time at Reiley. Now that I am here every day of the week, I have been able to continue teaching Classroom Guidance twice a month and have started some small group counseling with all grade levels based on data from spring assessments, needs assessments from staff, students and parents.

I am also excited to share that I am continuing to work towards a National Recognition by implementing a Comprehensive School Counseling Program at Reiley in which I will strive to meet all of the national American School Counseling Association (ASCA) standards. ASCA has developed standards, which cover three domains: academic, career and personal/social aspects.

**Classroom Guidance**

We are continuing to use the evidence based counseling curriculum from Student Success Skills and Second Step which address the academic and personal/social aspects of a Comprehensive School Counseling Curriculum. All grades will soon be utilizing a program called ceSpark to explore careers at an early age to address the Career component of the program. Please feel free to review all of these curriculums and programs on my website http://www.campbellcountyschools.org/content_page.aspx?cid=316&school=D=8

**Group/Individual Counseling**

Please contact me via email or phone if you feel that your child could benefit from being included in a Small Group this Spring or needs more individual attention. I am really enjoying getting to know all of our Reiley students!

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Phone: 859-635-2118

**Work Ethic**

Work Ethic is a great topic for the month of January! Please talk with your students about what Work Ethic means and how to show a good work ethic. Coming back after a long break can be difficult for our students and reviewing how effort leads to success!

Working hard and sticking to a tough task is a sign of strong character. Here are some ways parents can encourage effort:

* Tell a story. Talk about a time you had trouble learning to do something. How many times did you fall before you rode a bike? Let your child see that things haven't always come easily to you.
* Notice effort. When you see your child trying to do something, compliment her. Say, "I'm proud of how hard you are working on this project."
* Help your child see progress. Your child may be focusing on how far she still has to go. You can keep her motivated by helping her see how far she's come. "Last week, you could only run around the block. Today you were able to run over a ¼ mile."
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Available Daily:
- Assorted Veggies
- Assorted Fruits
- Cheese, Raisins, Yogurt, Meal
- Jammie, Devi Sandwich, Chef Salad