

# Dolphin News November, 2023

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School Hours 8:55 AM - 3:10 PM Arrival: 8:25 AM Tardy: 8:55 AM Office Hours 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Child Care Hours Morning Program 7:00 AM - 8:25 AM Afternoon Program 3:10 PM - 6:00 PM After Care Phone (239) 432-2746

Dear Parents,

We have completed a busy month at Rayma! It was filled with Fall Festival activities, Pumpkin Contests, Story book Parades and much more! Thank you to all of the volunteers who assisted in making sure our students enjoyed all of these exciting events this month.

As we approach the Holiday Season, our students are working hard in preparation of Progress Monitoring 2. Grades K-2 will test in December and grades 3-5 in January. Teachers are making sure that students are engaged in rigorous and engaging lessons. Please continue to monitor your child's grades in FOCUS and communicate with your child's classroom teacher any concerns you may have. It truly is a collaborative support system and our best results are reached when parents are actively involved in their child's education.

Remember to set your clock back one hour this weekend! Hopefully our weather will begin to reflect the Fall season. In anticipation of cooler weather, please stop by and view our new "Lost and Found' rack located in the front office where we have already begun a collection of jackets, sweaters and other items. Labelling your child's belongings will ensure we can return them immediately.

Have a wonderful rest of the month!

Mrs. Sheckler





Please help us support our brave T1D Warriors at Rayma by wearing BLUE on World Diabetes Day, November 14<sup>th</sup>!





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Parent Pick-Up and Drop-off Drivers - Thank you for being courteous to our business neighbors by not blocking car aisles and access entrances to businesses. Also a reminder that our Tardy Bell rings at 8:55 am and students arriving after the bell must be signed in by a parent or guardian.

### Policy Reminders

A reminder that early student sign-outs must be completed prior to 2:30 pm. Also, any transportation changes must be called in prior to 1:30 pm or written in your child's planner. Our dismissal policies are designed to ensure the safety of students as our dismissal process is quite intricate and any interruption in the process, late in the afternoon, causes a disruption to the process. Thank you for your attention to our dismissal policies.

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Dates to Remember	
November 3	Principal Party
November 7	Picture Day Retakes
November 10	Kindergarten ABC Bootcamp
November 15	Q2 Interim Date
November 16	Spirit Night, Wings and Rings
November 20-24	Thanksgiving Break-No School
November 28	SAC/PTO Meeting, 5:30pm
December 1	Principal Party



CALLING ALL INVENTORS!! Do you love solving problems? Are you a creative thinker? This is your chance to create something meaningful to you and help make an impact on our ever-changing world! The prizes you can win are pretty awesome too! If you wish to sign up for our school wide Invention Convention, please fill out the form on my STEM webpage using the QR code above by 11/15/23.

With appreciation,

Mrs. Few K-5 STEM Teacher

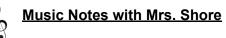


## **Odyssey of the Mind Reminder:**

Students in the Gifted Program will be presenting their Inventor projects November 13-15. Team information and practice times will be coming out shortly for Odyssey of the Mind.

~Mrs. Lampman







We have been practicing for Elf Jr., The Musical, which will take place on December 14. Mrs. Few and Mr. Caldro have been instrumental in helping build our set. Coach Morgan's Dance team is making incredible progress on the Elf dance numbers.

Beginning flute and beginning violin are making great progress! Practice is key - keep it up. Advanced violin is working on increasingly difficult music and crushing it.

In music class, your children have been building their piano skills, singing voices, and sense of rhythm and tonality. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade recorder players are mastering Hot Cross Buns, Gently Sleep, and Mary Had a Little Lamb. Recorder playing sets children up beautifully for playing instruments in the future. Thanks for your support!

~Mrs. Hillary Shore



#### **Coach's Corner with Coach Morgan**



Last week our students learned the dangers of drugs, tobacco, nicotine and alcohol on our minds and bodies. We learned to "Be Kind to Our Mind" by avoiding these substances. We also taught the students what a hobby is and that a healthy hobby helps our minds to grow.

Hobbies trigger the release of dopamine- a feel good hormone that gives us pleasure and helps us to reduce anxiety- a natural high. It is so important for children and adults to find and practice hobbies regularly. This will in turn help deter children from seeking out that feeling elsewhere. Ask your child what they are interested in learning. Maybe he/she would like to take on a NEW hobby. Learning new things stimulates the brain and is excellent for brain development, increase in dopamine and builds mental resilience.

Here are some good examples of healthy hobbies: Sports, puzzles, swimming, running/walking, gardening, martial arts, reading, drawing, coloring, painting, singing, playing a musical instrument, jump rope skills, yo-yo skills, building, chess and photography.

In Good Health, Coach Morgan





MISSION: The purpose of Rayma C. Page Elementary is to achieve excellence through setting high expectations and building a positive, safe environment that meets the needs of all learners.

