

Principal's Corner

Wow! October is here! Welcome!

We have had a wonderful start to an awesome year! It is because of the love and care each of our staff

members have for your children! It is also because of your outstanding support of your children and of Aspen Elementary. Thank you!

We look forward to the fun activities we have planned this month. We especially look forward to our Fall Carnival on October 12th. Thank you to our PTA for all of their hard work in preparing for this fun activity!

We also look forward to having you attend our Parent Conferences. They will be held on October 7th and 8th, from 4:00 – 7:30 each night. This is a great opportunity for you to hear about all the awesome things your child is doing in his/her class.

Please remember that we have our Fall Break on October 15th, 16th, and 19th. School will resume on October 20th.

Also, if you have a chance to come in and volunteer in your child's class, we would love it!

Attendance at Aspen Elementary

If you have had a child absent, and would like to excuse the absence, you will have two weeks from the absence. After the two weeks you will not be able to call in and excuse the absence. It will become an unexcused absence.

Thank you, again, for all of your support!

Mr. Davies - Principal

PTA President's Corner

Happy Fall Aspen Elementary!

We have started off this year with a bang! There are some great things happening that we are really excited about, and we appreciate the fact that so many of you have joined PTA so far!

We would like to give a shout out to Melissa McCoy for the amazing birthday board in the school! What a cute way to recognize the students in our school:) Also, we love seeing the kids wearing their Aspen t-shirts! They are so cute. Thanks to Heidi Blackwelder for designing them and Becky Moon for getting them ordered and delivered to everyone! Brooke Burgin has been amazing getting all of the classroom coordinators in place and helping the teachers. Along with that, we appreciate all of you classroom coordinators! We could not pull off many of our activities without you! We thank you!

We had a really fun Chinese Celebration that many of you came to. It was fun to see the students in the immersion program perform what they have learned so far. They are so cute!! We want to give a huge Thank You to all of you that were involved with making that night a success, from the performances to the food to the crafts! You are all amazing!

There are some fun events coming up in October. First of all, Red Ribbon Week will be October 12-15. Look for more information on this. It's going to be a lot of fun! Our Annual Fall Festival will be on October 12th. This is one event you won't want to miss! It is free to all families, with a silent basket auction fundraiser happening in the library. There are some great donations this year! This festival is sure to please everyone, and a great way to kick off your fall season! Plan on being there for student performances, a mad scientist, a witch's brew, hay rides, and much more! Fun stuff!

We feel it a privilege to serve you as PTA Co-Presidents! Thank you for your support of the Aspen PTA!

-Kari Woolf & Tanya Wilkinson



ASPEN ELEMENTARY
FALL FESTIVAL AND
PUMPKIN PARADE

Monday, October 12, 2015 6 to 7:30 p.m. (Auction from 5:45 to 7:45)

Our fourth annual Fall Festival and Pumpkin Parade is almost here! Admission and activities are FREE (with concessions and auction baskets for sale). This is our premiere family social for the fall, so please come and join us.



There will by many festive and fun fall activities, including:

- Classroom pumpkin displays
- Hayrides
- · Halloween-themed entertainment featuring Aspen students and faculty
- Tasty fall concessions available for purchase
- Temporary Halloween tattoos
- · Silent gift basket auction

It's not too late to donate! We are still asking for donations from each classroom to fill the silent auction baskets and also an optional donation of \$1 per student to help purchase pumpkins.

Our silent auction is a wonderful place to do some early Christmas shopping or purchase unique themed baskets donated by our students and local businesses. Here are a just a few of the companies that have graciously donated to our silent auction: Disneyland, Scheels, Gandolfo's, CLAS Ropes Course, Cornbelly's, Thanksgiving Point, PG Pool, Taco Amigo, Kneader's, and many more! Please plan to drop by the library and place a bid!

If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with the activities, please contact us. We can always use your help. Thank you!

For more information, contact Jodi Cloward (jodicloward@yahoo.com), Molly Zamboni (pollymaulzambo@gmail.com) or Lindsay Dunn (six6ds@msn.com)



Thank you so much for all the Box Tops that have been turned in. Ms. Mortensen's class is in first place followed by Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. J's classes. Remember you can keep turning in Box Tops as you collect them. We will keep a running tally the whole year. 1200 Box Tops is a pizza party so keep turning them in.

Running club is off to a great start this year. Last year we logged a total of 1731 miles of running! Let's see if we can beat that total this year. We have a lot of kids that have already signed up. If you haven't signed up yet, look for the table by the playground on Tuesdays and Thursdays and get a card and run run!





How is the reading going? We hope your stories are full of adventure and fun and you're recording your minutes on RTS!

Is your student one of the lucky kids registered for RTS? We are trying to have everyone be part of this great reading incentive program at Aspen. And so far we have 133 students already recording minutes. Every student that is registered by the first of October will receive a free ticket to Classic Skating activities. So hurry and sign up with your class code and record your minutes. Kids in RTS will have a chance to win cool prizes each month at our monthly assemblies. And even better one of the 4 grand prizes throughout the year! We will have certain goal for minutes and if your student reaches that goal they will get treats and fun activities. More will be announced with our kick off on our next assembly.

Parents this is a fun program that needs a little help from you. If you have any questions just email me at <u>jenwa@live.com</u>. Here are the codes below to each teacher. Take a minute register your student and help them learn how to use it. Many teachers are using it as a tool to record home reading, just ask them at Parent Teachers Conference if they are.

Thanks for helping make this happen!

Jen and Christine

RTS Codes! Just go to <u>rtsutah.com</u>, click "Parent "on homepage, click on "Register My Child" and enter your code below.



Bowles am=17193 pm=17195 Rockhill=17209 1st Johnson and Carter=17198 Cottrell=17196 Andrus=17201 2nd Payne and Zhou=22706 Lee=17197 Robles=23240 3rd Smart=17199 Kelly=17203 4th Christensen=22707 W. Johnson=17211 5th Mcmanus=17202 Duncan=22708 6th Vanisi=17205 Mortensen=17206

Donut Date for the FIFTH GRADE

will be on Tuesday, October 20th.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

What is a Donut Date? A Donut Date is an informal gathering where a parent or other adult comes to the school to READ with the student on their special day. A donut will be available for both students and adults to partake of during the "date".

Why do a Donut Date? This gives the parents or other adults the opportunity to come to the school and be involved in the child's education. Plus, there are all of those wonderful yummy Donuts.

Who can come to the Donut Date? Any adult that has an interest in the education of their student may come to the Donut Date (ex. Father, Mother, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts, Neighbors or Special Friends). Each month a different grade will be invited to participate in the "Date".

Where is the Donut date? Due to the potential messy combination of students and donuts, the Donut Date will be held in the lunchroom. Adults will go directly to the lunchroom where they will meet their students.

Red Ribbon Week

Dream, Believe, Achieve- Drug Free!

Red Ribbon Week will be October 12-14! Please assist and encourage your student(s) to participate in the week's activities.

Each day of the week will have a simple dress theme...

Monday: "Sock It To Drugs!" – Wear mismatched/crazy socks Tuesday: "Turn Your Back on Drugs!"- Wear your shirt backwards Wednesday: "Red Day!" – Wear as much red as you possibly can!

Individual as well as class rewards will be given out to those who participate throughout the week!

Again, please encourage your student's participation as we strive to encourage the students of Aspen Elementary to live drug free lives!