



Rib Lake Elementary School

October 2025 Newsletter

Reminder to Parents:

School starts at 8:05 a.m. We kindly ask parents to be out of the building by 8:00 a.m. so classes may start promptly.

The following is a reminder of the bus safety procedures. The buses will drop off at the District Office doors and **parents are to drop their children off at the main entryway by the elementary office starting at 7:45 a.m.** Also parents, when you are dropping your child off in the front of the school, please pull up by the sidewalk or park in the median and walk your child across the parking lot. This will prevent any students from trying to cross the street areas of the parking lot unattended.

Call-ins for parent pick-up: Please call the office by 2:00 p.m.

For the end-of-day dismissal, parents, **please pick your child up at the District Office doors by 3:12.** For safety reasons, children must be accompanied as they leave the sidewalk area. Please park and meet your child on the grass or sidewalk.

Thank you for helping us with these procedures to keep our children safe.

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 16.....Early Dismissal @ 12:15pm
Parent/Teacher Conferences 1pm-6:00pm
Oct. 17..... No School/ Teacher Inservice
Oct. 20-24.....Book Fair Week
Oct. 21.....Family Reading Night 6pm-7:30pm
Oct. 22.....School Board Meeting @ 6:30pm
Oct. 27..... End of Qtr. 1, Early Dismissal @ 12:15pm and Teacher Record Keeping
Oct. 29.....Vision Screening
Oct. 31.....Halloween Party Day
Nov. 3 & 4..... Northlakes Dental Clinic
Nov. 26- Nov. 30.....No School, Thanksgiving Vacation
Dec. 6.....Christmas for Kids @ RLMS 11am-1pm
Dec. 8... PreK Christmas Concert @ 5:30pm in RLES Gym
Dec. 18.....Christmas Concerts in High School Gym- Grades K-2 @ 6pm, Grades 3-5 @7:15pm



Chilly Weather Reminder:

As the temperatures continue to drop, please be reminded that students are to bring appropriate outdoor clothing.

School policy is that children will be going outside for recess as long as the temperature is 5 degrees or warmer for PreK - 2nd grade and 0 degrees or warmer for 3rd - 5th grade.

Please put your child's name on their clothing - that will help us find the right owner for the items that are brought to the lost and found table. Thank you!

Fall Benchmark Assessment Results

Rib Lake Elementary tests all PK - 5th grade students three times a year in literacy and math using a platform called aimsWebplus®. Testing companies typically collect data nationally and update their norms & benchmarks on a specific cycle. The last major update from aimsWebplus® was over 10 years ago. Overall, scores from elementary students in the USA have fallen in the past decade.

This means a score your child earns this year may result in a different percentile ranking than the same score would have earned them in the past. Most likely, your child's percentile is going to be higher than what it would have been last year.

It's important to understand that a change in percentile ranking does **not** necessarily mean your child's abilities have changed. Rather, it reflects a shift in how their performance is compared to today's national student population. Because students in the newest national sample are scoring slightly lower on average, many children may appear higher in percentile rank under the new norms.

All of the updated norms will be shared at parent-teacher conferences. Your child's teacher will be a great resource in helping to understand the changes.

Ultimately, here at Rib Lake Elementary, we hold our students to high standards and want them to meet AND exceed norms & benchmarks.



You're Invited!!

Family Reading Night

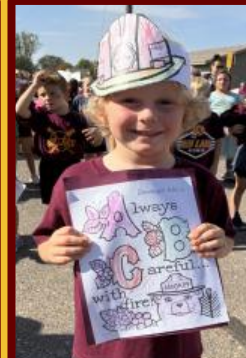
Tuesday, October 21st
6:00-7:30 p.m.

LET'S
READ!

Bring the whole family out for an evening of fun, as well as an opportunity to shop the Scholastic® Book Fair!



Homecoming and Fire Prevention Parade

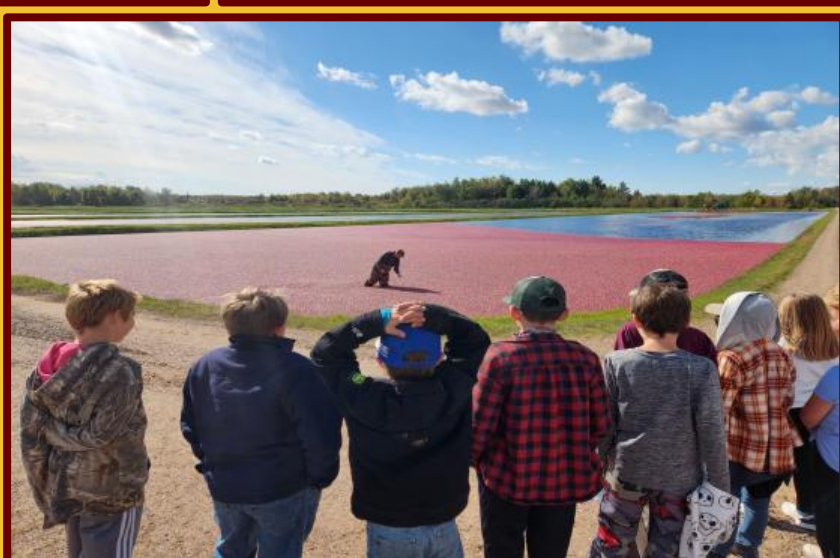


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4th Grade Copper River Cranberry Marsh Field Trip



Students enjoyed meeting Farmer Josh, watching the cranberry harvest in action, and sampling fresh cranberries. Their faces say “tart”, but don’t be fooled—they kept coming back for more!



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School Forest Day



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Counselor's Corner

Hello families! Throughout the month of October students focused on the character trait of friendship. Many REACH classes placed a focus on building friendships and handling conflicts with their peers. Most kids face pressure when they get to middle or high school, but did you know that even in elementary school, children can feel pressure to fit in and to do what "everyone else" is doing? Sometimes, that means going along with teasing on the playground. Other times, it means watching a movie at a friend's house that she would never be allowed to watch at home. Now is the time to teach your child how to handle peer pressure—and how to say no to things that don't fit with your family's rules or values. Encourage your child to say and remember these statements:

- I can say no to things that would put me in danger.
- I can make good choices for myself.
- I can say, "You're my friend, but I don't choose to do that."
- It's OK if I make choices that are not the same as the choices my friends make.

Source: D. Bloch, *The Power of Positive Talk: Words to Help Every Child Succeed*, FreeSpirit Publishers.

As always, if you have any concerns regarding your child's social and emotional wellbeing, please do not hesitate to reach out at 715-427-5818 or ballen@riblake.k12.wi.us

