



Rib Lake Elementary

April 2025 Newsletter



Student Absences:

Cold & flu season are still upon us!!! Sadly, with that, your student may not be able to attend school because he/she is not feeling well. **Please remember to call the school at 715.427.5818 before 9 a.m.** and let us know that your child will be out of school. Without a note or phone call, your child will be marked unexcused for that day. Thank You :)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb.3- April 30..... Reg. Open Enrollment

April 16.....School Board Meeting @ 6:30pm

April 18.....No School, Easter Break

April 21-23.....North Lakes Dental Clinic

April 22.....2nd Grade Field Trip

April 29.....4th Grade Field Trip

May 16.....5th Grade Field Trip & Poetry Cafe

May 20.....4th Grade Field Trip

May 21.....3rd Grade Field Trip

May 22.....Kindergarten Graduation

May 23.....4th Grade Fishing Trip

May 23.....1st Grade Field Trip

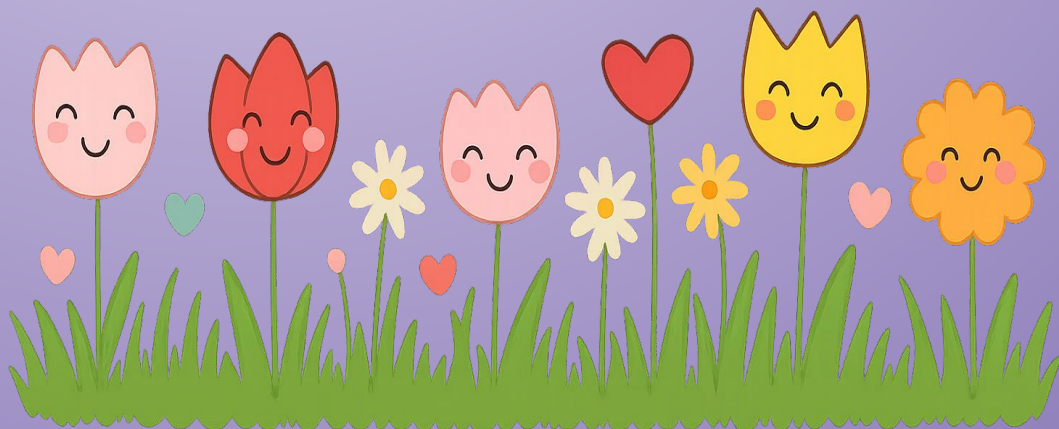
May 26.....No School, Memorial Day

May 27.....PreK Field Trip

May 28.....Track & Field Day

May 29.....5th Grade Cookout

May 30.....End of Qtr. 4, Last day of school, Early Dismissal at 12:15pm, Teacher Record Keeping



Become a Redmen

If someone you know would like to attend the Rib lake School District, the open enrollment period has begun. Please have them contact Amy Foster at 715.427.5818 or afoster@riblake.k12.wi.us for more information.

We would love to help them become a Rib Lake Redmen!



Open Enrollment

The application period for the 2024-25 school year is **February 5 - April 30, 2024**. Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend a school other than the one in which they live. Parents must complete an online application no earlier than February 5, 2024, and no later than April 30, 2024 by 4:00 p.m. The DPI website to complete an online application is: <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>

At this time, once a student is accepted to attend the Rib Lake School District under open enrollment, the student may continue to attend the district without having to reapply every year. For more information, please contact Amy Foster at 715.427.5818 or afoster@riblake.k12.wi.us

Tuition Waiver

If your family is moving out of the district but wishes to continue at the Rib Lake Schools, you will need to fill out an open enrollment tuition waiver or alternative application. Please contact Amy Foster at 715.427.5818 or afoster@riblake.k12.wi.us for assistance.

Summer School Registration

RLSD Summer School 2025
Friends, Outdoor Activities, Learning, Fun

Come Join Us!

Registration Will Be Open
April 14th through April 25th.

The Rib Lake School District is an equal opportunity provider.

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SCHOOL WEBSITE
riblake.k12.wi.us

Summer school registration opened on Monday, April 14 at 6:00 PM! We are excited to offer a diverse selection of programs that span multiple areas of interest, including reading, crafting, STEM, basketball, fitness, and more!

Students can be registered on our website or by completing a paper copy (copies have been sent home with elementary students and copies are also available in the middle school and high school offices). Phone registration will not be accepted.

Classes will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/54uzxz3a>

RLES Students Celebrate Groundbreaking

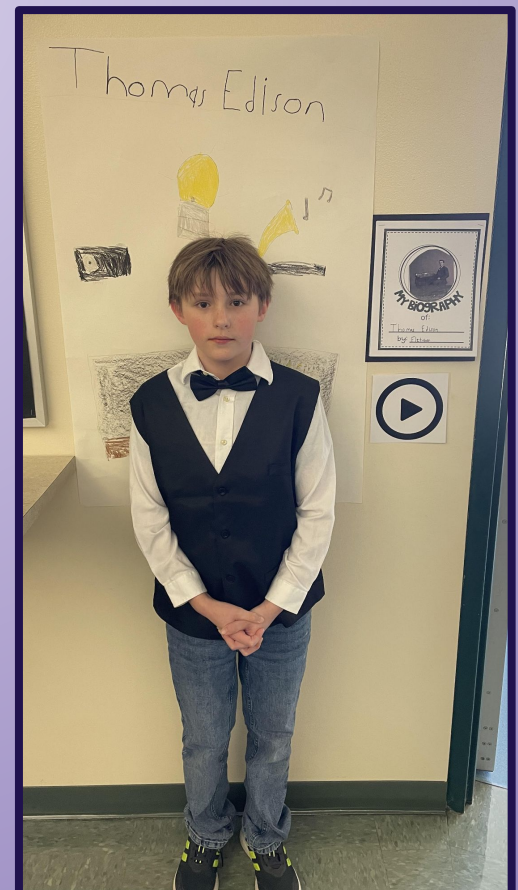
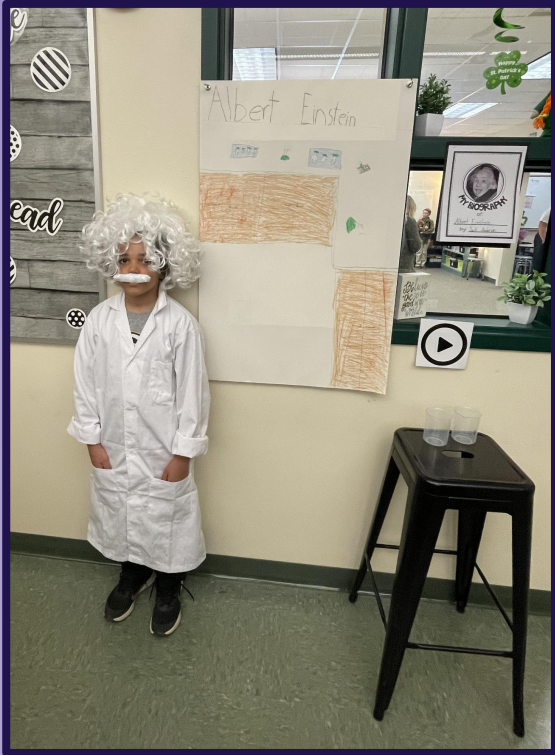
On March 26, 2025, Rib Lake Elementary students had the exciting opportunity to attend the groundbreaking ceremony for the new middle and high school expansion! While the construction is just beginning, our young students got a glimpse of the future facilities they'll one day enjoy. This project will not only enhance safety and accessibility but also create fantastic opportunities for our students as they grow.



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4th Grade Wax Museum

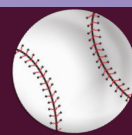
4th Graders researched influential figures of the past and present. They dressed up in character and gave informational facts about the person they researched. Parents were invited and all students in the elementary were able to engage and enjoy the wax museum experience!



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Family Reading Night



203 people from 68 families attended a baseball-themed Family Reading Night at Rib Lake Elementary School on March 25, 2025. Participants were welcome to visit interactive stations at their leisure. One station had gently used books that were begging to be read with families, friends, Rib Lake High School baseball and softball players. These books were even taken home to build libraries there. Another station was the second and final Scholastic Book Fair of the 2024-2025 school year. Further down the hall was a snack station. The third grade class sold freshly popped popcorn to help raise funds for their upcoming trip to Lambeau Field. Medford Kwik Trip donated donuts and Rib Mountain Texas Roadhouse donated peanuts, free appetizer coupons & kids' meals coupons. The Art room gave an opportunity for students to make their own baseball cards and get a cool baseball gumball. Lastly, the Rib Lake High School baseball and softball players decorated faces, arms and hands with baseball tattoos. They also provided a way to burn off the calories from the donuts and other snacks by playing catch with the elementary students. While tossing balls and teaching technique, they shared why reading is important and even signed their autographs on souvenir baseballs that all students took home. It was a great collaboration between Redmen bigs and littles. The night was definitely a homerun!



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More Family Reading Night Fun



**HOME
RUN** 



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Counselor's Corner

April, formerly known as Child Abuse and Neglect Awareness Month, is now recognized as Family Strengthening Month, a time to focus on building up the positive supports that help families thrive. This shift encourages us to celebrate and invest in what makes families strong, resilient, and connected.

The Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board invites families to take part in the 5 in 5 Challenge, a simple and engaging way to explore the five key strengths that help families navigate challenges and support children's growth. Each weekday, families are encouraged to focus on one strength using this easy checklist filled with new ideas and activities. It's a great opportunity to grow closer and discover what works best for your family's unique needs. Let's all take time this month to build on our strengths and support one another.



Check out the list below or use this QR Code to save the checklist right to your phone!

Build on your family's strengths

Try the 5 in 5 Challenge

Use Family Strengthening Month as an opportunity to focus on your family's strengths.

Research shows there are 5 specific Strengths that help families weather difficulties, support their children's growth, and feel better connected. Focus on a different Strength every weekday using the checklists below. It's a simple way to try out new strength-building ideas and find out what meets your family's needs.



Meaningful Mondays	Toolbox Tuesdays	Recharge Wednesdays	Resourceful Thursdays	Feelings Fridays
<p>It's important to spend meaningful time with loved ones and to reach out to others for acceptance, advice, and a helping hand. Try these ideas for Connecting with Others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Go device-free during meals or family time<input type="checkbox"/> Take a class or join a club online<input type="checkbox"/> Reach out to the homebound or elderly<input type="checkbox"/> Join or host a virtual game night<input type="checkbox"/> Deliver dinner to a neighbor<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer in COVID-safe ways<input type="checkbox"/> Send a text to an old friend<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule a hangout with your friends<input type="checkbox"/> Fit a good hug or snuggle into your day	<p>Adding new skills to your parenting toolbox helps you be prepared as your children change and grow. Try these ideas for Parenting As Children Grow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Share your parenting joys and concerns with other parents<input type="checkbox"/> Make time to connect one-on-one with your children<input type="checkbox"/> Tap your pediatrician for advice<input type="checkbox"/> Sign up for a virtual parenting class<input type="checkbox"/> Get to know your child's friends<input type="checkbox"/> Read a parenting website or blog<input type="checkbox"/> Work together to reach a family goal<input type="checkbox"/> Praise your child's good choices and positive behavior	<p>Taking care of yourself is an important part of taking care of your family. Take time to relax, recharge, and reduce stress. Try these ideas for Building Inner Strength:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Take a bath<input type="checkbox"/> Call a loved one who makes you laugh<input type="checkbox"/> Reflect on a challenge you've overcome<input type="checkbox"/> Unplug with a book, a movie, or music<input type="checkbox"/> Stretch your muscles and exercise<input type="checkbox"/> Get outside for awhile<input type="checkbox"/> Breathe in slowly, count to 5, breathe out<input type="checkbox"/> Spend a little time on a favorite hobby<input type="checkbox"/> Enjoy eating a favorite treat<input type="checkbox"/> Light a scented candle<input type="checkbox"/> Play a video game	<p>Having a strong support system made up of personal and community resources is essential for every family. Try these ideas for Knowing How to Find Help:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> List 3 people you can always turn to<input type="checkbox"/> Check out your local family resource center's services<input type="checkbox"/> Practice by asking for help with a small thing<input type="checkbox"/> Add the 211 Helpline to your contacts<input type="checkbox"/> Ask your circle for their recommendations<input type="checkbox"/> Thank someone for their support<input type="checkbox"/> Let a loved one know you're ready to help<input type="checkbox"/> Get to know your neighbors or parents at school	<p>Kids who learn how to understand and manage feelings become better at dealing with challenges and building healthy relationships. Try these ideas for Helping Kids Understand Feelings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Read or tell a story about feelings<input type="checkbox"/> Share an emotion you are feeling<input type="checkbox"/> Talk about ways to express big emotions<input type="checkbox"/> Think through a challenge out loud<input type="checkbox"/> Encourage and praise kind behavior<input type="checkbox"/> Do a task that takes cooperation<input type="checkbox"/> Ask your child what they're feeling and why<input type="checkbox"/> Teach a calming skill like counting to 10 or deep breathing

Here's a tip! Use the boxes to keep track of your progress. Checkmark the ideas you'll use again and draw an X by those that didn't work for your family.



Learn more about the 5 Strengths that keep every family strong at FiveforFamilies.org

Source: <https://preventionboard.wi.gov/Pages/OurWork/FFFPreventionMonth.aspx>

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