



## Fairview Press Parent Newsletter

### May 2017

It is hard to believe we are nearing the end of the school year. We are looking forward to celebrating our students' academic accomplishments and those students moving on to kindergarten at our literacy assembly. We hope you can join us.

### You Make a Difference!

Thank you for sharing your spare change with us. We raised \$1185 for childhood leukemia research. Miss Becca and Miss Diana's class won the Olive Garden catered lunch sponsored by Olive Garden and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of many families!

### Please Keep Reading!

We are so proud of how much your child has learned this year. Evidence of this is on our school website under Fairview data. Thank you for supporting your child this year and being so involved at school.

The Rockford Public Library and the Rockford Park District have many enriching events planned this summer. The Rockford Public Library will be attending our literacy assembly to share more information with you about the summer reading program. The Rockford Park District will be attending our fun fair to share information about camps and summer sports.

### Calendar of Events

- **May 1-May 5, Teacher Appreciation Week.** Thank you for helping us honor our dedicated staff this week!
- **May 8, PTO meeting at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.** Please come out and help us plan our Fun Fair!
- **May 11, Parent workshop in Spanish, A Celebration of Mother's Day and Advocating for Your Child at 8:00 and 12 in the cafe.** There will be food and prizes.
  - **May 10-12, school dental exams at Fairview**
- **May 12, Fun Fair, 5-7:30 p.m.** We will have face painting, cotton candy, slushies, games, raffle baskets, bounce houses, prizes, food trucks from city market and more!
  - **May 12, Library books due back by today please**
- **May 18, Literacy and moving on to kindergarten assembly, rooms 1-10 from 9:15-10 and 1-1:45.**
- **May 19, Literacy and moving on to kindergarten assembly, rooms 12-20 from 9:15-10 and 1-1:45.**
  - **May 26, last day of school**
- **August 8, Registration for returning students from 10-6**
- **August 9, Registration for returning students from 7-3.**
  - **August 22, Open house from 5-7 p.m.**
  - **August 23, First Day of EC**



## Student Registration

It is very important that you attend registration in August. More information will be coming home soon. Check the "Please Bring List" on our website before you come to school. Our goal is to have 100% participation.

### Open House

Open house will be held during the evening the day before school starts in August. More information will be shared at registration. Teachers will be in their rooms ready to meet you and your children. We will have a fun scavenger hunt and you will have the chance to sign up for volunteer opportunities and/or for our PTO. Open house will be a time for you and your child to briefly meet your teacher and tour the classroom and school. If you have specific issues you would like to discuss with your teacher, please set up an appointment. This way you will have the teacher's undivided attention.

### Kindergarten Registration

Did you register your child for kindergarten? It is required and should be done immediately to save the spot at your neighborhood school!

If you have not registered, you should call the student assignment center at 501 S. 7th St. on the second floor.

Here is the link;

<http://www3.rps205.com/WelcomeC>

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[enter/Pages/Kindergarten.aspx](http://www3.rps205.com/WelcomeC)

The telephone number is;

(815) 967-8070.

### Summer Scenic Science

Take advantage of the great outdoors, and get a natural science lesson to boot, by touching a caterpillar, chasing butterflies, or searching for birds' nests. Take a stroll through a local nature preserve or hike a nearby trail. On your walk, point out different wildlife, flora, and fauna. You can also talk about what animals eat, whether they're nocturnal or diurnal (See how you can sneak in those big words!), and how plants "eat" sunlight. (Check out [National Geographic Kids](#) for fun facts about nature.) For bug-loving kids, check out [Bug Guide](#) to learn more about any creepy crawlies you've found on your treks.

Young children love collecting things, so bring along a "safari" bag and let your child collect natural treasures, remembering to comply with any park's rules about what visitors are prohibited from taking, be they rocks, sticks, or leaves. (A quick and essential naturalist's rhyme to

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teach your child, so you don't come home with poison oak or ivy: Leaves of three, let them be!)

Not taking a safari this summer? Then take advantage of the zoo as an invaluable resource to learn about creatures worldwide. Before or after a zoo visit, check out one of the world's most famous zoos online to collect even more information about the wild kingdom. San Diego Zoo's [site for kids](#) can tell you that a young tapir looks like a walking watermelon and that every tiger's stripes, like a person's fingerprints, are unique.

If you're hitting the road for your family vacation, consider [learning at a national park](#). And, if you just can't swing an in-person look, visit them virtually. (You can "do" [Yosemite National Park online](#), too.) *By: Jacquie Goetz Bluethmann*



## Moving on Up

Our five year olds are leaving us and going on to Kindergarten. Parents here are some of the things you will need as your little ones move up:

- \* A Physical Exam on the mandated IL. State form. (Your doctor should have these forms)
- \* Kindergarten booster shots. A dental Exam. If your child was

seen at our Spring dental clinic here at Fairview, a copy of it will be in the health file being sent on to kindergarten. This will take care of the dental examination requirement.

- \* An eye examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist.

**We will miss our "graduates". We wish you and them every success.**

