



red tailed hawks news

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Principal Wethers' Message:



We are in our final stretch of the school year. There are exactly forty-four days left, which is unbelievable.

This Spring, will be gearing up for the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress. (CAASPP). Our third through fifth grade students will be required to do the assessment this year. The assessment is much shorter than it has been in the past. Please make sure to read teacher newsletters regarding important dates. Our 3rd -5th grade students will complete iReady testing in English Language Arts and Math. The primary grades will all do iReady assessments closer to the end of May in order to provide baseline assessments for the grade level. We need our students to take the testing seriously. Fourth and Fifth grades will begin the week of April 18th. Parents will be notified of future schedules. The assessments will be completed in their current learning environment.

The iReady/CAASPP assessments will be taken online with teachers and Intervention staff as proctors. Just like class assignments and report cards, these assessments give teachers a way to evaluate individual student achievement. The results will not be used to determine whether a student moves on to the next grade level. They will provide important feedback about your child's strengths and areas where they may need additional support.

Please make sure your child is not overly anxious about the assessment or the results. The most important thing you can do is to make sure your child is on time for the testing session, well rested, and has a good breakfast.

We look forward to finishing out this school year strong. Thank you to our students, parents, and staff, for adapting to another interesting year in education.

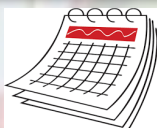
Mrs. Wethers

SPRING BREAK
MARCH 28 - APRIL 3
STUDENTS RETURN ON MONDAY, APRIL 4
HAVE A GREAT BREAK!

THE BUBBLE RUN IS BACK!
4/15/22
MORE INFORMATION TO COME!!!

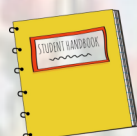
Resource Links:

Community
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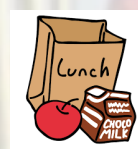
Rail Ranch
School Year
Calendar

Parent/Student
Handbook



Rail Ranch
Website

Lunch Menu




**WEDNESDAYS ARE EARLY
RELEASE DAYS**

K am 8:30-11:50
K pm 10:30-1:50
1st-3rd 8:30-1:45
4th-5th 8:30-1:50

Hawk Happenings



3/28-4/1- SPRING BREAK!!

Monday, 4/4- STUDENTS RETURN

Wednesday, 4/6- EARLY OUT

Wednesday, 4/13

EARLY OUT

Kinder Here I Come! 9-10 am

5th Grade Promotion Picture Day

Friday, 4/15- **BUBBLE RUN!!!**

Wednesday, 4/20- EARLY OUT

Wednesday, 4/27- EARLY OUT

REMINDER:

RITA'S ITALIAN ICE EVERY FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL!
\$5.00

Important Reminders

Drop-off

8:15-8:25am for grades 1-5.
Morning K begins promptly at 8:25 am,
Afternoon K begins promptly at 11:10am.

Pick-up

2:40 pm for grades 1-3.
Grades 4-5 is 2:45 pm.
Afternoon K is 2:45 pm.
Please see the student handbook for Minimum and Early Release (Wednesday) Day schedules.

No staff is available to watch students before 8:15am and after 3:00pm.

Students must be picked up before

3:00pm. (Again, please see the student handbook for Minimum and Early Release (Wednesdays) Day schedules.) Early drop off or late pick-up may result in the police being called so that the student is safe. Supervision is not available for siblings of students in before and after-school programs.
Child care is available on campus for a fee. Please call the district office at 696-1600 for more information if you are interested in before or after-school child care.

WE NEED PTA BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE 22/23 SCHOOL YEAR!!

PLEASE EMAIL: Railranchpta@gmail.com

Be your kid's biggest fan.

Be PTA.

STOP

SAFETY FIRST

SLOW

Safety in the Loop

Please **do not** leave your vehicle unattended in the loops. A huge thank you to everyone for following the rules and keeping our students safe.

Counselor's Corner

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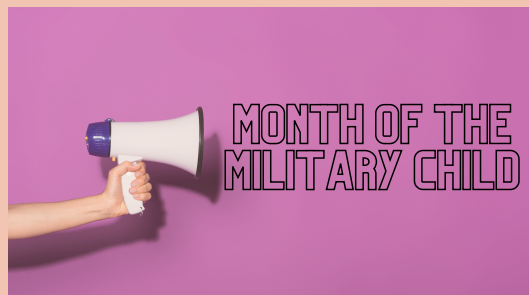
Supports and Links

[Free Mental Health Concierge](#)

[Community Resources](#)

Care Space

- Individual Counseling
- Family Counseling
- Parent Workshops



Stress Relief in Children

As we begin to wrap up this school year and testing begins for our students you might see changes in their attitude, behavior, and emotions. Here are a few tips for helping your child manage their stress:

- Recognize that a negative attitude or poor behavior choices can be a result of stress. This doesn't mean that your expectations for respectful behavior should change.
- Acknowledge your child's stress. Let them know you understand that change can be hard.
- Listen to your child. Let them tell you about their school day, the good parts and the bad parts.
- Help them identify their feelings. Are they frustrated, mad, sad, confused, overwhelmed? Finding the correct feeling word(s) can help reduce stress.
- Validate their feelings. Never tell them they shouldn't feel a certain way. Tell your child about the importance of school and doing their best, even when it's hard or they don't want to. Hold firm to your expectations.
- Try not to take away their stress for them by letting them stay home from school or doing their homework for them. This will not help them in the long run.
- Talk about stresses they can control vs. stresses they can't. Write them down and 'get rid' of the ones they can't change (rip them up, throw them away, put them in a box).
- Help your child develop a growth mindset and positive self-talk habits. When they're stressed, they can begin to talk themselves through it - "I can do this", "I am good at this," "I've gotten through this before," or "I'll try my best."



World Autism Awareness Day

AUTISM AWARENESS DAY IS OBSERVED ON APRIL 2. THE DAY RECOGNIZES AND SPREADS AWARENESS FOR THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH AUTISM. THE UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONED DAY WAS CREATED TO INCREASE UNDERSTANDING AND ACCEPTANCE OF PEOPLE WITH AUTISM, FOSTERING WORLDWIDE SUPPORT. THERE IS NO BETTER WAY TO CELEBRATE THIS DAY THAN BY BECOMING AWARE OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF PEOPLE WITH THIS CONDITION AND HOW ALL OF US CAN DO BETTER TO INCREASE OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING AND PROMOTE KINDNESS. IN APRIL 2021 AUSTIMSPEAKS.ORG IS INVITING THE COMMUNITY TO #LIGHTUPWITHKINDNESS. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT THEIR WEBSITE WWW.AUTISMSPEAKS.ORG.



April is the Month of the Military Child. This awareness month was established to underscore the important role children play in the Armed Forces community.

There are approximately 2 million military children, ranging in ages from newborn to 18 years old; over 1 million military children are school-aged. Care of military children sustains our fighting force, and strengthens the health, security, and safety of our nation's families and communities.

Military families make remarkable sacrifices as they deal with separation from their families and make adjustments to new living situations and communities. However, most Military Families exemplify strength, resilience, and courage. We appreciate and acknowledge the incredible contributions that our Military Families at all of our MVUSD schools make to our Nation.



THE BUBBLE RUN IS BACK!

RAIL RANCH ELEMENTARY

FUNDRAISING DATES: 4/4-4/15/22

RUN DATE: 4/15/22

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Contact PTA: Railranchpta@gmail.com

Ultra-Fun Run is returning to head up our Bubble Run on April 15th and we couldn't be more excited!!

We will begin with a Virtual Kick-Off Rally on Monday, 4/4

More information to follow when we return from Spring Break. We look forward to having our families on campus to cheer our students on!



5th Grade

Next Stop ... Middle School!

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 5TH GRADERS

Studio 1 Photography will be here Wednesday, April 13 to take pictures of our promoting 5th grade students. You will have the opportunity to purchase these pictures if you'd like.

Promotion pictures are something new our photography company is offering, and we are excited to see how they turn out!

More info to come when we return from break.



Save the Date

April 7, 2022

Incoming 6th Grade Parent Night & Amazing Race

Future Panther Parents and Students:

Please join Shivela Middle School Administration and staff for a night filled with important information and fun!

Parent Night: 5 pm in our MPR
Accelerated Math meeting: 5:30 pm
Amazing Race: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Amazing Race is an opportunity for students to explore the opportunities Shivela has to offer, meet teacher & staff, and get to know the campus.