The Road Runner Resource

A weekly newsletter to keep you in the loop

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February 24, 2017

Calendar Updates & Reminders

Thursday, March 2 Roadrunner Read-in 6:00-7:00 PM (all families, parent chaperone must be present)

> Sunday, March 12 Daylight Savings

Monday, March 13 Skate Night

Tuesday, March 14 Spring Pictures

<u>Thursday, March 16</u> PTO Meeting @ 4:30 PM

Friday, March 17 Career & Hobby Day

Early Dismissal 11:30 AM (Grab n' Go Lunch available)

> Friday, March 24 No School

Monday, March 27 Spring Break

Monday, April 3 School Resumes The Chucks Friday Project is at it again!

This time they are collecting for the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin in Neenah. Collection dates are: February 22-March 15. Please join the Chucks Friday Project in providing necessary items for the infants, preschoolers, school-aged kids, and teens who are at the Children's Hospital. The donation wish list is attached to this newsletter. Donation collection bins will be located in the front hallway at Spring Road School. Thank you!

Traveling Road Runner goes to....

The 2nd graders in Mrs. Borths's class! Mrs. Borths's class had the greatest participation at the February Red & White Skate Night.

Our next skate night is Monday, March 13. Skate Night starts at 5:30 PM. Parents must be present, and only pay if choosing to skate. Admission for skaters is \$4.25. Admission price includes skate rental. We hope to see you there!

> Read Across America Spirit Days

Monday, February 27 - Hat Day Tuesday, February 28 - Twin Day Wednesday, March 1 - Wacky Dress Day Thursday, March 2 - Sock Day *All are invited to attend a Roadrunner Read-in on Thursday, 3/2 from 6:00-7:00 PM* Friday, March 3 - Stripes Day

5th Grade Educational and Career Planning Conference

All parents of 5th graders are invited to participate in the annual 5th grade Educational and Career Planning Conference. This conference typically takes 20–30 minutes, and will focus on your child's talents, interests, academic performance, learning style, and transition to middle school.

Please refer to the letter that was sent home with your 5th grader for directions on how to sign up for an available date. If you need assistance with sign up, please contact our school counselor, Mrs. Tricia Mielke at 751–6975 ext 20116 or pmielke@neenah.k12.wi.us.

Your participation in this conference is important to the successful completion of your child's educational plans.

Reminder: SUMMER ACADEMY

Enrollment forms for Summer Academy are due by February 28. Please return the completed form to the school office or send to school with your child. If you have any questions about Summer Academy, please contact your child's teacher or our school office at 751–6975.

Enter daily to support a healthy, accessible playground for ALL of our students! <u>TogetherCounts.com Healthy Playground Makeover</u>

(full link) <u>http://www.togethercounts.com/at-school/win-for-your-</u> <u>school/sweepstakes?utm_source=DiscoveryEducation.com&utm_medium=email&utm_c</u> <u>ontent=Dec16HPMS</u>

Please share this link with family, friends, and colleagues! Thank you in advance for your continued, daily support!

Donation Wish List

Children's Hospital of Wisconsin in Neenah relies on the generous donations of people like you to make hospital stays for our patients and their families easier. Your kindness and generosity is always appreciated!

Donation receptacles are available on each floor of the hospital for your convenience to drop off items. To arrange a drop-off for large donations please contact the Community Relations department at (920) 969-5303 or leave a message on our Donation Hotline at (920) 969-5355. For infection control and privacy purposes, we are unable to welcome groups of visitors into the hospital.

In addition, when making a large donation of toys, blankets, etc., it is a good idea to call (920) 969-5303 to determine if we have need or room for your donation and/or to arrange a drop-off time. Space limitations sometimes prohibit us from accepting all donations but we do encourage donors to give these items to other community organizations dedicated to helping children and their families.

General Donation Guidelines

- All items must be **new** and unwrapped.
- No food items.
- No items containing Latex.
- No games/toys with themes of violence or religion.
- Include batteries if needed to use the toy.
- No vending machine stuffed animals.

Items NOT needed at this time

- Board games.
- Blankets and pillow cases.
- Books.
- Knit hats and other clothing not specified.
- Large toy sets.
- Large stuffed animals bigger than 18" tall.

Gift Cards

Gift cards are always appreciated and are used by staff to provide specific items needed for a child or family. Some suggestions include:

- \$20 gas cards (for families travelling from long distances).
- \$10 Wal-Mart, Target, Shopko, Walgreens, etc. (used to purchase needed items for patients such as underwear, personal hygiene items, etc.).

Suggested Items for Donation:

All Ages

- Portable DVD players.
- Handheld Nintendo® DS and games for boys and girls. (Used to distract children during exams.)
- Fun-patterned or popular character latex-free bandages.

Infants

- Sleep sacks w/o sleeves & legs (promotes safe sleep).
- Squeaky/touchy-feely toys.
- All plastic mobiles.
- Toys 6-12 mos.
- Musical crib toys.
- Vibrating crib soothers.

Toddlers & Preschoolers

- Board books.
- Character sippy cups and water bottles.
- New Release or Disney® DVDs.
- Toys 18 mos. to 3 years.
- Duplo® blocks.
- Toy medical kits.
- Baby Dolls (not in playsets)

School-aged kids to preteens

- Transformers®.
- Action figures (no weapons, please).
- Matchbox®/Hot Wheels® cars.
- Lego® sets, all skill levels (<100 pc).
- Princess-themed toys.
- Play jewelry.

Teens

- Teen underwear (boys and girls).
- Teen t-shirts and pajama bottoms for boys.
- Toiletry kits for teens.
- New Release PG-13 DVDs.
- Hairbrushes.
- Craft kits for teens.
- Journals.
- \$10 iTunes® gift cards.



Kids deserve the best.