

The Riverside Roar

For the week of August 30, 2021

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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students:

The Riverside Roar will include a new feature to our weekly newsletter – Student of the Week. Each teacher will nominate a student for any of the following:

1. Perfect attendance or marked improvement in attendance
2. Demonstrates:
 - Positive attitude toward others/learning
 - Exemplary leadership and integrity
 - Respect to peers and teachers
 - Extraordinary effort
 - Self-control and reflects on of behavioral growth
 - Character (compassion, honesty, trustworthiness, optimism, and responsibility)

This week's winner is...THOMAS COATES!

Ms. Hebert said, "Throughout this week he has stepped up and helped the new classmates in our classroom. He has also been able to control his behavior and to express what he is feeling!" Congratulations, Thomas!

Sincerely,
Ms. Elizabeth Lucas
Principal

Our Director of Academics

Salutations from Science Class! We are starting the scientific method this week in with all classes. The skills that we develop over the next 2 weeks will be incredibly valuable all year. It is important that students start this week prepared for success by having some necessary materials. For science class we will need a notebook or composition book, pocket folder, and a binder. I will be supporting science while we continue to find an amazing teaching worthy of our amazing scholars. Have no fear! I taught middle school science for years before moving up to administration. I am excited to be back in the classroom even if for a short period of time. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Upcoming Events

September 6

Labor Day
No School

September 10

Progress Reports Distributed

September 14

Title I Meeting
Time To Be Determined

September 20

Professional Development
No School for Students

Small School
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Big Heart



Mrs. Kelsey Carter - Kindergarten

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The first full week of school is coming to a close. This week we continued learning expectations for the school building and our classroom. We started math curriculum and learned to count up to and down from 5. We continued learning about narrative writing. We learned about what a character is in a story and how to pick the main ones. We also learned about our senses and how important they are. Finally, we talked about who we are! Have a lovely weekend. See you all next week!

Mr. Robert Fahrmeier – 1st Grade

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We are starting our first few weeks in first grade on fire. We have done an awesome job writing. We have already written sentences about what we want to do in first grade and have also finished our first book. We are learning so much about letter sounds, and learning more about our friends and classmates through all about me work. Looking forward to a great year to come.

Mr. Darren Cooley – 2nd Grade

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Ms. Marj Williams – 2nd Grade

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Hello 2nd Grade families!

We have been working hard on getting into the groove of the school year! So far, we have been working on adding on to ten during math instruction and we have just started trying out subtraction. We have also learned how plants grow in science by setting up three small pots by the window to see how they grow. In ELA (English Language Arts) we are mastering our letters and working on writing basic sentences about our experiences. In social studies we have learned about the city, the suburbs, and the countryside. We are having great fun in specials as well; this quarter we have art with Ms. Howell. We are still all getting to know each other, but it is looking to be an excellent year!

Mrs. Wendy Apperson – 3rd Grade

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Our class had a really great first week! Students filled out an “All About Me” sheet, and communicated about their likes and dislikes to each other during our daily Communication Circle. The class is learning ELA subjects, and in Math we’re beginning multiplication skills. Our 3rd Graders will be writing personal narrative stories during Writing Workshop, doing science experiments. For Social Studies they are learning about the United States of America and the city they live in. Our beginning reading is progressing because of library time in the classroom, and we have a heavy emphasis on teaching phonics and words study. Our class loves to go to gym, and also move to music in the classroom. Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have about our class. You should have received our Riverside Pride Parent-Student Handbook. Please sign the last page of the handbook and have your child return it to me. I’m looking forward to a super year!

Mr. David Ladner – 4th Grade

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Riverside 4th graders are on a mission! A class theme has been established which promotes students to be academic explorers. The mission is to complete as many missions as possible as 4th graders to prepare them for the next grade level and beyond. There are many things to be discovered which have the 4th graders 'landing' in many uncharted territories. As *Ladner's Landers*, student scholars are being encouraged and taught to think, question, research, and learn. As it is the beginning of the school year, much time and effort has been devoted to learning the policies and procedures in order to have a successful mission each day in the classroom and at school. 4th grade scholars have already landed in some new territories and are learning new expectations and academic objectives. It's off to a great start in 4th grade as scholars reach *to infinity and beyond!*

Ms. Jaimee Hebert – 5th Grade

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Hello Families!

This week in 5th grade has been busy! We began working on our instructional material. In math we are learning about place value and how to multiply decimals. In science we are learning about the scientific method and how to ask questions. In ELA we are learning about main idea and finding key details to support the main idea! The students have also written a biography poem and created a self-portrait. This quarter your student has art! I have enjoyed getting to know each student and I cannot wait to go through this year with you all!

Ms. Arriane Brents - Middle School Language Arts and Social Studies

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Safety is my number one priority, and a having classroom where all students are (and feel) respected is priority number two. Before I can dive into the standards and help your student academically, those two priorities have to be practiced and realized. The first two weeks of school we've focused on those, and then after that get ready for the academic rigor to take off!

Next week we'll be taking an iReady diagnostic that will identify an approximate reading level for your student. During class this week we will analyze the scores and set goals for the end of the school year. Encourage your student to share their vision with you. I'll do everything I can to ensure we reach the realistic goals we set for our end of the year diagnostic in May!

In next week's Riverside Roar I'll be sending home information about signing up your student for a Cincinnati Public library card, and the access students will have to electronic media right here at school!

Mr. Stephen Voegele - Middle School Math

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Wow! First week back in the saddle again. Back to math and back to the grind. Students have taken to the new math very well. 6th grade did awesome on their first Exploratory Challenge! 7th grade and 8th grade have started off awesome as well. 6th and 7th grade our focus will be on ratios and solving them in various ways. 8th grade will be doing exponents. Let's continue our strong push. If you have any question call or email me, I will get back to you. Let's go Lions we got a long way to go and a short time to get there.

Ms. Jamie Isidore - Middle School Language Arts and Social Studies

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In ELA and Social Studies in Ms. Isidore class this week; scholars jumped right into writing! Scholars began displaying enthusiasm while getting to know each other and writing about what they found interesting about each other's summer! Shout out to 8B for displaying GRIT in the morning! I know it is not easy to write first thing in the morning, but they pushed through! Shout Out to the 6th Graders for grasping and having a small discussion of Riversides policies and procedures! Next week we are diving into our Academic Curriculum; let's hope 6th and 8th Graders can show the same enthusiasm moving forward!

Intervention Specialists

Hi families! This week the sped team has enjoyed meeting our students and getting to know them. Building relationship is so important and we take getting to know our kids seriously so we can best serve them this year! Feel free to send us information to get to know your child and your family more. Some helpful things to know are things your child likes to do for fun at home, what motivates them and even things you notice they struggle with and what usually helps them overcome. We are so looking forward to working with you this year and helping our kiddos reach their goals and make significant growth behaviorally and academically this year!

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Ms. Katherine Howell – Art

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Dear Riverside community and families,

In art class our Kindergarteners, 5th, 6th and 8th graders are excited to be creating drawings of desserts inspired by Wayne Thiebaud. Our scholars are extremely creative and hungry for exciting and new art lessons. We can't wait to show off all our hard work at Riverside Winter Arts Wonderland show this December. Can't wait to meet the parents of the kids we love so much!

Mr. Thomas Buckley – Physical Education
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It's been a great week in PE class. The students are picking up the structure of PE very well. This week we learned how to play soccer. We learned the skills of passing, dribbling, shooting and teamwork. We played sideline soccer, and started playing real games. The students have also learned some new games like capture the flag and Pac Man tag. We learned some new vocab words as well and learned what hydration means and how to stay properly hydrated.