

# Reynolds ARTHUR ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



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Dear Families,

## **Jog-a-thon Success**

A huge thank you to Jennie Gilpin for spearheading the first ever Arthur Academy jog-a-thon last Friday. Thank you also to all the parents who helped organize the event, who were there on Friday passing out water, popsicles, marking laps, tallying sponsor sheets, and cheering the children on. The enthusiasm was amazing and it was just wonderful to see everyone having so much fun together. **Please remember to collect your pledges and turn them in with your sponsor sheets no later than November 6 (new due date).**

## **Coming Up**

- **There will be no school this Friday, Oct. 13.** Public schools in the state are closed on that day to allow teachers to participate in on-going professional development activities. Our staff will be continuing our training with our reading and math curriculum at our school on that day.
- The next RAAPO meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 7:00 -8:00 pm** in our cafeteria. Please do try to join us, meet new parents and become involved in the many ways available to volunteer some time and energy for our children.
- Mad Science after-school classes begin this Wednesday. Your child must be pre-registered. We do not have anything to do with registrations, but if you need another form, let us know and we can send one home. Please remember to pick up your children promptly after class, at 4:10.
- **School picture day is Friday, Oct. 27.** More information and order forms will come home next week.
- On Monday, Oct. 30 we will have a literature/art enrichment program, funded by our parent organization, RAAPO. Our guest author/illustrator, Mr. Ray Nelson will spend approximately one hour with each class, involving them in his presentation and drawing. Our school will also receive a free set of Mr. Nelson's books and you will be given the opportunity to purchase his books if you would like.
- **Parent-Teacher conferences** are just around the corner. There will be no school for students on **Nov. 8 and Nov. 9**, so that each of you will have a 30-minute conference with your child's teacher. Teachers will be setting up a schedule soon.

- **Friday, November 10** is Veteran's Day holiday and school will be closed.

## **School Lunch**

**Please help me to cut down on record keeping by purchasing lunch and milk tickets in groups of 10.**

Ten lunches = \$22.50; twenty lunches = \$45.00.

Ten milks = \$5.00; Twenty milks = \$10.00.

If your family qualifies for free or reduced lunch prices, the school district has notified you.

If you have more than one child at school, please remember to specify who is to get how many lunches on their card. It is very time-consuming to have odd amounts of money sent and try to divide it up between children. I appreciate your cooperation with this. Our hot lunch program is very popular and we are serving about 50 lunches a day.

***Thank you to our parent volunteers - Stacy Dodson, Carrie Yoshida, Karen Wells, Cheryl Ross and Tracy Ward - for their invaluable assistance during the lunch hour.***

## **Parking Lot**

Drop-off and dismissal times are going well. Thank you for your cooperation. We all know that it will be more difficult when the rain starts. A few reminders that will help:

- When entering and exiting the parking lot, please stay to the right as much as possible so that 2 cars can fit in the driveway. Do not angle your car unnecessarily when exiting, as that cuts off the car trying to enter.
- If you are the first car, remember to pull up as far as you can, past the dumpsters. We need to fit as many cars as possible into the parking lot.
- If you want to leave your car, you must park in a spot. Please do not get in the line of cars and then leave your car.

## **Play Structure**

If your children (students or younger siblings) play on the play structure after school, please be responsible for supervising them. We also need to ask you to enforce our playground rules, **for the safety of all the children.**

1. No running on the structure.
2. Railings are for hands only, not feet.
3. Down the slide on your bottom only, one person at a time.
4. Sit in the swings – no twisting, twirling or jumping off please.
5. Rocks, sticks, dirt and bark chips stay on the ground.

Enjoy your extra day with your children on Friday.

Sincerely,

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