



January Newsletter

Parent Conferences for Grades 1-5

Rogers School

-A Message from Mrs. Williams

I am delighted to announce that, for the second year in a row, we will be having parent teacher conferences at the end of this month. Conferences this year will be held for grades 1-5. As a school, we are dedicated to your child and do everything possible to help your child reach personal goals and successes. Mid-year presents as a perfect opportunity to sit down with you to review those successes and discuss areas of concern to focus on as the rest of the year progresses. Additionally, report cards will be going home the Monday prior which will allow you to speak with the teacher about your child's progress.

Each conference will be 15-20 minutes in length and will be held on Wednesday, January 28 and Thursday, January 29. On Wednesday, conferences have been scheduled after school between 3:15-4:15p.m. Thursday, January 29 will be an early-release day for all students at Rogers School only. Conferences this day have been scheduled between 12:15 and 4:15p.m.

Grade 1-5 teachers had sign-up sheets available during the night of Open House so you should already have a day and time scheduled. If you did not sign up that night, please contact your child's teacher this week to schedule one. Forgot what you signed up for? Do not panic! Reminder notices will be sent home to you next Monday (Jan. 12th) with the assigned day/time for your meeting. Any questions about this day/time should be directed to the classroom teacher. Additionally, in the coming weeks I will send further details, suggestions and tips for a strong conference.

Again, the Rogers School teachers and myself are very excited to continue this vital component to your child's education. Parental involvement is the most important factor in a child's success in school so we are eager to see you.

As you know, my door is always open and welcome to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns. ☺



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Important Dates:

- ☺ Jan. 15th—½ Day
- ☺ Jan. 19th—No School
- ☺ Jan. 26th—Report Cards Go Home (K-5)
- ☺ Jan. 29th—½ Day (Rogers only)
- ☺ Feb. 16-20- Winter Vacation
- ☺ Mar. 19th- ½ Day
- ☺ Mar. 30-Apr. 9- MCAS gr. 3-5
- ☺ May 6—Spring Concert

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Winter Is Upon Us

No doubt that with all the snow and the anticipated cold weather, I do not need to remind you that old man winter is fully upon us! It is a good time to have a conversation with your child about the importance of dressing warmly and in layers. They certainly have to dress for the walk to school with a coat, gloves or

mittens, a hat and even a scarf. Students will be lined up outside on warmer mornings but will be brought into the gym for colder days. The gym door will open promptly when the school clocks read 8:35am. It's a good idea to have your child dress in layers while they are here in school so they can adjust their comfort as the day progresses.



Be on the look out for a new and updated web site coming in February!



After School Clubs- Session I

The first session of after school clubs begins this week. We have an abundance of clubs with a nice variety available for this first session and I know the students are thrilled about this. The students certainly showed they know how tough it is to get into the club of their choice—there were 106 sign-up sheets returned the first morning after the sign-up sheets went home! WOW!

These clubs are run entirely by Parent Volunteers which is true testament to the spirit of teamwork and community at our school. Parents/guardians, if you want to dedicate just 6 hours to our school, be on the look out for the next volunteer sheet which will go home the 3rd week of January for Session 2 which will start after February vacation.

Whole-School Science Fair Begins

This Wednesday students will begin to participate in the Rogers School Science Fair preparations. In an effort to raise awareness for Science and exploration, all students will work on an experiment or research a topic to be presented at the Fair in March. Your child's teacher will be sending home more information on the requirements and details this week. Stay tuned for more information to come in next month's newsletter!



New Box Tops Collection Champions



The November Box Top Collection Champions were the 2nd graders in Mrs. Mello's classroom! They won with 247 box

tops. They held the coveted trophy for the month of December. The December collection ended the Tuesday before vacation and the winning class will be announced this week! All classes now start over again with a new collection for January. Way to go! Keep clipping!

Money Machine Madness

No doubt you heard about our recent 7 students who entered and spent 1 minute in the money machine! For every 10 items placed from the fall fundraiser, students had their name entered into a drawing. The top overall seller, Nathan Lopes, automatically won entry into the machine. One student from each grade was then drawn to enter.

- K—Sophie Crothers-Ratner
- 1—Althea Doherty
- 2—Ian McFarlin
- 3—Zackary Wybraniec
- 4—Colton Fitzsimmons
- 5—Heather Welty
- 5—Nathan Lopes (top seller)

In addition, Mrs. Panell's class won a pizza party for the top selling class.

Be on the lookout for our next fundraiser going home this week which will also have a money machine incentive!

PTO Meeting Next Thurs -

The monthly PTO meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, January 8th at 6:30pm in the Media Center. PTO meetings are usually held during the first week of the month. The PTO meetings last approximately an hour and entrance is through the back parking lot door. We hope to see you there to offer suggestions, express opinions, and vote on items relative to your child's school.



