

Fostering Relationships & Teamwork for Student Success

October 6, 2023

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**Rock Creek Students are Future Ready**

Future Ready students worked hard during the month of September, to earn the Conscientious Worker Golden Helmet Award, given by Jody Dixon, FRS teacher. Earning this award means that these students stand out as being thoughtful, dependable, and having a strong work ethic. Our Eagles made it difficult to choose only two classes – one from the primary (K-2) and one from intermediate (3-5) levels. The two classes that earned the Conscientious Worker Award are Mrs. Noonan’s 1st Graders and Mrs. Tharaldson’s 4th Graders! Way to go Eagles!!

Our Future Ready Skill for the month of October is Community Contributor.



Mrs. Noonan’s 1<sup>st</sup> Graders



Mrs. Tharaldson’s 4<sup>th</sup> Graders



***Be Somebody Who Makes Everybody Feel Like a Somebody***





October 10	Student Pictures ( <a href="#">Picture Day Schedule</a> )
October 11	Lockdown Drill
October 13	Teacher Workshop Day – No School
October 20	Early Release at 1:50 p.m. PTO Trunk or Treat – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Rock Creek Bus Lane
October 26	<b>SAVE THE DATE!</b> Climate & Culture Fair 6:00-7:30 p.m.
October 28	Early Release at 1:50 p.m.
October 30- November 3	Missoula Children’s Theater - Hercules
November 3	MCT Performance of Hercules – 6:00 p.m. RC Gym

### **Nutrition Services**

For weekly menus and more, visit the [Nutrition Services](#) website or phone 425-413-3450 or 425-413-3452.

### **Greetings Families of our SMARTEST ARTISTS!**

I am thrilled to have begun new art projects with half of our student body (the other half I will meet after semester break), and we are doing great. If you’ve been to school, you might have seen our collective self-portrait mural... try to find your child amongst the many! Ask your child about the art word MONOCHROMATIC.

5<sup>th</sup> grade parents: your artist has been hard at work on a technical drawing of their own hand, holding a phone with a selfie of themselves from this summer. Enjoy the selfie below that I took of myself teaching students how to draw selfies! 😊



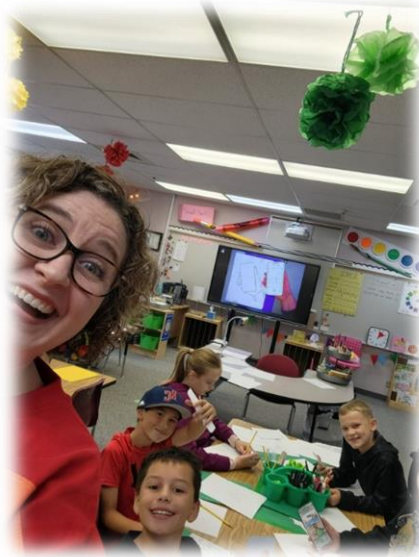
We even have some completed artwork that is ready to show in our online Rock Creek student gallery @ ARTSONIA! Artsonia is our tool for displaying completed artwork, and you can connect to see your child’s work by scanning the QR or going to this

URL: <https://www.artsonia.com/connect/5MKWXRHF> You can also

browse the “custom keepsakes” giftshop! Artsonia donates 20% of any purchases made back to our art classroom for extraordinary supplies. Thank you!

***We are currently looking for 1-2 volunteers who might be interested in helping us photograph artwork.*** You need only to be able to use an iPad! If you are interested – and you have been cleared to volunteer at RCES – please contact me.

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## **ROCK CREEK PTO UPDATE**

**Join the PTO!** Register today and order your yearbook(s) at a discounted rate! <https://www.runpto.com/u/rockcreekpto/>

## **Trunk or Treat**

Join us **OCTOBER 20TH** for trunk or treating on the bus lane!

**6:30pm-8:00pm**

There will be trunks passing out treats, food trucks, decor and more!  
Come with or without costumes.

*\*\*\* Early sensory friendly time from 6:00-6:30 for families in SAILS, BIS or families who require extra assistance or could benefit from lower crowds, noise and distractions)- please refrain from coming before 6:00 to allow those families the sensory friendly time they need.*

The PTO is running a **candy drive** this year to collect for the Trunk or Treat! The candy drive will run until October 16. Candy can be dropped with your child's teacher. Surprise treat for the class who brings in the most candy!! \*Measured by weight

We need trunk sponsors for our upcoming Trunk of Treat!  
If you love Halloween, want to be a part of bringing joy to children and have creativity to design a fun trunk, we would love to have you!!

Click here to sign up: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084BADAE2BA5FF2-44415398-rock?fbclid=IwAR2cwwu\\_dLM4LBrTfzakEkmeJGRobJpSdVLxyoEQ3IEDOmiseTHZ60c7FS8#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084BADAE2BA5FF2-44415398-rock?fbclid=IwAR2cwwu_dLM4LBrTfzakEkmeJGRobJpSdVLxyoEQ3IEDOmiseTHZ60c7FS8#/)

### **Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Fundraiser with Cherrydale!**

From October 16-30, we're teaming up with Cherrydale to bring you the most delicious fundraiser of the year. Get ready to raise some serious dough while indulging in the ultimate treat - Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough!



10/16-30 Cookie Dough Fundraiser  
10/20 Trunk or Treat  
10/26 Mod Pizza Fundraiser

Amanda Westendorf  
*Rock Creek PTO President*

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