



Superintendent Weekly Note #4

Keep the Main Thing the Main Thing...It's About Kids!!!!

RIS Mission: *Our mission is to inspire and empower all students to reach their maximum potential: **one student, one lesson, one day at a time.***

Things I CAN Control...

1. My **ATTITUDE**
2. My **EFFORT**
3. My **BEHAVIOR**
4. My **ACTIONS** to be a Great Team Member

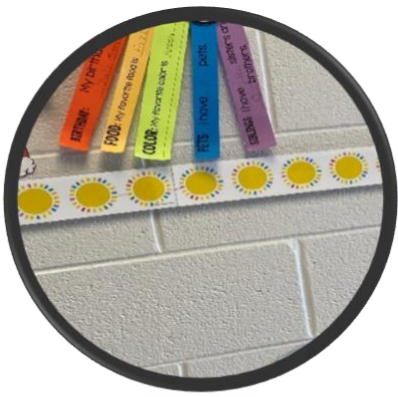
*Continue to focus on the RIS four core beliefs:
It's about Kids! —Accountability—Transparency—Communication.*

☺ *Positives across the district.....*

Russell Primary School (From the desk of Mr. Crager)

- Our very own Briar completed her last round of Chemo on Wednesday!
- It was picture day on Thursday and everyone dressed in their finest and we celebrated the day with 96% attendance!
- Mrs. Grizzle, Mrs. Ramey and Mrs. Blackburn's Classes have been reviewing in a very creative way the alphabet, learning about the leaves on the trees changing colors and recording interesting facts about themselves so their classmates can compare how much they have in common.
- Mrs. House's Preschool Class are creating and reading their own version of one of my favorite books: Brown Bear, Brown Bear.





Russell-McDowell Intermediate (From the desk of Mrs. Wright)

- Our music program was busy this week! Baroque night was Tuesday and Mr. Stower's students were measured and given their new orchestra instruments. Fourth and fifth grade students in Mr. Lewis' class were strumming their ukuleles and guitars as they learned their notes and chords.
- Beta Club and KRUSH had their first meetings. The students are so excited!
- Teachers stayed after school on Wednesday for our first Ad-Hoc Committee PLC. They worked in content area groups to review and revise policies that will be sent to the R-MIS SBDM Council.
- Overall, it was a great week at R-MIS. We love seeing our smiling faces in the hallways and classrooms! (Last year at this time we were still under mask mandates!)



Russell Middle School (From the desk of Mr. Frasure)

- 6th Grade Girls Basketball Beat Boyd Co. Tuesday 21-11.
- 7th Grade Girls Basketball Beat Boyd Co. Tuesday 33-18.
- 8th Grade Girls Basketball Beat Boyd Co. Tuesday 33-23.
- 7th Grade Girls Basketball Beat Ashland Thursday 37-30.
- Boys Cross Country 1st place @ Rowan Co.
Girls Cross Country 2nd place @ Rowan Co.
- Mrs. Banks has processed more than 1300 books to send to Letcher Co. to help rebuild their library.
- Mrs. Yates for having 100% of our students fill out their Infinite Campus paperwork.
- Central Office for providing us with our water bottle filling stations.
- We've had 31 positive action forms filled out by the staff of students going above and beyond their daily expectations.

Russell High School (From the desk of Mr. Caniff)

- The Academic team will be competing in the Glasgow Scottie Invitational on September 17-18, this will be their first competition. Several States will be there including the defending National Champion from Detroit.
- Mrs. Park's class learning about the Spice Trade in Honors World History.



- Boys and Girls Soccer team had big wins over Boyd County.
- Gracie Horne is this week's Beacon's Best!
- Volleyball team defeated East Carter
- Club day was a success!

Russell Area Technology Center (From the desk of Mr. S. Moore)

- 100% attendance by our RATC Family Members!
- We hired a Career Coach to help our students transition to their future College and Career.
- Our first student of the year earned their 3G Certificate in Welding. -This means a welder can weld flat, horizontal, and vertical. This test shows that a welder can do the most commonly used welds in any welding facility.
- Technology Student Association Elections were conducted by Mrs. Phipps. The results are:
 - President-Ethan Dixon
 - Vice President-Dom Dos Santos
 - Treasurer-Camree Holbrook
 - Secretary-Matt Sloan
 - Reporter-Garin Fraley
 - Sargent-At-Arms-Isaac Baldrige

Russell Preschool (From the desk of Mrs. Staton)

Preschool has completed its first "almost" full week of school! We are still learning procedures and how to be a good friend. Mrs. Raybourn and Mrs. Knipp have also won awards for classroom pets! Welcome to Amanda Alsbrooks and Christi Jones, preschool assistants! We are so glad to have you in preschool!



Counting to 10! 😊 Our next civil engineer! He's built a house with a garage!

What's happening at central office / district this week?

- **September Board of Education Meeting**—Monday, September 26 at 6:00 PM in the Central Office board room. **This is an open meeting and a great opportunity to learn what is going on in the district. Great leadership opportunity!**

