

Meeker Elementary Newsletter



"Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom."

~George Washington Carver



Meeker Families,

We have had an incredible first six weeks of school! Our attendance has been averaging about **95%** and we are only 3 percentage points of meeting our goal. An area of improvement for us is in our number of students who are arriving late to school. Ensuring your child's safety is our first priority. We begin supervision at 8:05 each morning with school beginning at 8:20. We appreciate you ensuring your child's safety by arriving after 8:05 each day!

Students begin with breakfast immediately at 8:25 and then in a few minutes are receiving instruction in various content areas. These moments of learning cannot be made up and we would appreciate anything you do to assist your child in coming to school on time. If your family needs any support in this area, please contact me at school. Also, the only excusable early check out time is doctor appointments or a family medical emergency. Our goal continues to be 98% of our students in attendance daily every minute of the school day so there is some improvement we need to do in this area. Thank you to those families who are having your child at school on time each and every day! Our students at Meeker are **AMAZING!** Our fifth grade leaders are truly role models for the younger students and are leading by example. So many other students are also taking leadership roles in their classrooms and are utilizing PAWS each and every minute of their day. As parents you should be proud of your child and congratulate them on their behaviors.

Our staff is teaching the district bullying curriculum to your child. Students are being taught strategies to use when they are in a situation that could become bullying. We encourage our students to stand up against bullying by telling an adult so we can stop the behavior before it leads to bullying. Please check with your child to ensure he or she knows what to do IF someone is making him/her feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

I encourage you to become involved in our parent group, MSA. This organization raises funds to support students and staff throughout the school year. It also organizes various activities throughout the school year to support our school community. Please consider becoming involved and join us for the next meeting in the Library on October 4th at 6:00 PM.

Parents, thank you for ensuring safety of all students by following the parking rules, drop-off rules, and pick-up area suggestions. It is less chaotic on our school grounds and is looking much safer for our students. Thanks for helping us with this! We are working with our students in WALKING off of school grounds instead of RUNNING. We know students are EXCITED to be out of school and sometimes forget to make safe choices at dismissal time. Please help us keep your child safe by reminding her/him to walk safely to their meeting site or in walking home.

Thank you for being involved with your child's education! The goals shared with you at parent teacher conference time are goals of excellence and parent support is necessary to achieve these goals. Staff at Meeker appreciated your attendance at your child's conference and enjoyed having the opportunity to continue to build a positive relationship with you as this is a critical part to your child's success. I appreciate all you do to ensure your child is successful at school.

Cathy Nelson,
Meeker Elementary Principal



Upcoming Calendar Events for October:

10/4-MSA mtg.6:30pm
Centennial Library

10/5-STUDENT COUNT DAY! Extra Recess

10/5-Pajama Day

10/5-Walk or Ride Bike to School Day

10/12-Picture Retakes

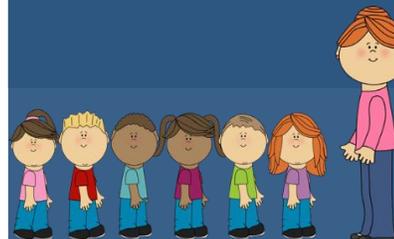
10/14-NO SCHOOL

10/21-Report Cards
10/21-1st Qtr assembly

"The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows."

Sydney Harris

Student Count Day
Be here!
October 5th



PAWS Winners



Kinder- Alyvia R.
1st Grade- Shia P.
2nd Grade- Marcos R.
3rd Grade- Stephanie L.
4th Grade- Ryan P.
5th Grade- Payton S.

Kinder- Owen G.
1st Grade- Isiah M.
2nd Grade- Adilenne A.
3rd Grade- Jordan G.
4th Grade- Madison S.
5th Grade- Cole N.



Kinder- Kailey P.
1st Grade- Dexton D.
2nd Grade- Cora M.
3rd Grade- Ayla I.
4th Grade- Ozzie P.
5th Grade- Gavin H.

Kinder- Abdiazis M
1st Grade- Kallisa R.
2nd Grade- Mya M.
3rd Grade- Katie P.
4th Grade- Devin C.
5th Grade- Jeremiah R.

Random acts of Kindness

Whether it is individual or as a group - fourth grade is making Meeker brighter! The fourth graders in Mrs. Stewart's class presented **Mrs. McGlothlin** with a jar of flowers to brighten her day. **Elias D.** has been a superstar earning Brag Tags inside as well as outside of the classroom. Teachers have noticed Random Acts of Kindness from him everywhere he goes. **Amelia B.** was nominated by another student for her caring about her classmates. **Noah L.** is always the first to help out, he opens doors and greets everyone with a smile at Meeker. Thank you!



Cough Drops & Cold Medicine

We are fully in cough, cold, and flu season! All prescription AND over the counter medications (including cold medicine, cough drops, eye drops, ointments) MUST have written permission from your doctor in order to be used at school, and must be kept in the health office for student use. These medications can be dangerous if taken without an adult present or if shared with classmates who may choke or have allergies. Please help us keep all students safe by keeping medications at home, or if needed at school, gaining proper doctor permission/note. Please see the health services website – “forms page” for medication authorization forms or call the health clerk if you have any questions. <http://www.greeleyschools.org/Page/8183> 970-348-2026

Student Count Day!

October 5, 2016

Please make sure your student can make it to school all day this day. Please **DO NOT** schedule any dr. appointments on this day.

October 5th, 2016

Walk or Ride to School Day. Prizes will be given.

Pajama Day. Wear appropriate clothing for weather and NO Slippers!

Conversations with your children about school

“Let’s see what you brought home in your backpack.” Look at completed work to find out what your youngster is learning and how well the child is doing. Also, respond to notes from the teacher. Check the child’s backpack for homework to be done. “Show me what you may have for homework and how can I help?”

And most of all, Celebrate Progress!



Please remember that no gum is allowed in school

