



Ranger Roars

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Mr. Feinstein Offers T-Shirts

Alan Shawn Feinstein recently offered T-Shirts to all the students at Walter E. Ranger Elementary School. Mr. Feinstein will be providing shirts for all Ranger students that spread the act of good deeds once again this year. All he ask is for the students to wear them to school once a week and show acts of kindness and good deeds throughout the year. His kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

E-Mails are Needed



The PTO is in the process of compiling an e-mail list to be used to send all communications to parents. Forms will be sent out to all parents so that the directory can be created with the names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of those families that wish to share them with the Ranger School community.

School Opening and Open House Go Well

We are pleased to report that the opening of the school year went smoothly. Our staff established routines and expectations and immediately went about their task of educating our students. Our students transitioned well into their new classes. Thanks go out to all our parents for your cooperation during this hectic period. Open House, as always, was well attended. It was a pleasure seeing so many familiar and new members of our community. This collaboration of students, parents, and staff is what makes our school such a special place. It's great to see how smoothly the integration of our newest members has taken place. Special thanks to the PTO for providing the delicious pastry and drinks.

Ranger PTO News

The Ranger PTO will be holding it's Halloween Party on Friday evening, October 28th from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Parents are reminded that all students must be with a parent to attend all PTO sponsored events.

The next PTO meeting is scheduled for October 6th at 6:30 in the Caf . Parent participation is always encouraged.

The Ranger PTO web page is
RangerPTO@yahoo.com.

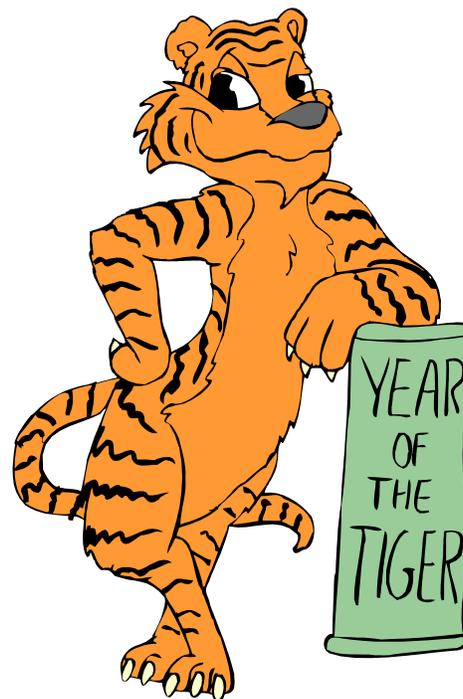


Fire Prevention Week At Ranger School

October 10th through October 14th will be Fire Prevention Week. The Tiverton Fire Department will be holding a poster contest for each grade. In addition, TFD will be visiting Ranger School on October 11th to speak with each class about fire safety and prevention.

October Calendar of Events

- 3rd Rosh Hashanah
Faculty meeting @ 3:30
- 4th & 5th - K Training – RIDE – 8:00 to 3:30
- 6th Engineering Science Grant Training – Grade 3
PTO Meeting @ 6:30
- 10th **Columbus Day – No School**
- 11th Fire Prevention presentations – Tiverton Fire Department
School Committee Meeting @ 7:00
- 12 Yom Kippur
- 13th Engineering Science Grant Training – Grade 4
- 14th Student Learning Objectives due
- 24th ETM meeting @ 9:00
- 25th **School Committee Meeting @ 7:00**
- 27th New Bedford Symphony Orchestra – Grade 3 & 4 - 10:45
Engineering Science Grant Training – Grade 3
- 28th PTO Halloween Party – 6:00 to 8:00
- 31st Aspen Grade book Opens
Star – Fall Benchmarking begins



Importance of Personal Health

During the month of September in health classes we have been discussing the importance of personal health care. The main focus of these lessons are things your children could be doing without the help or constant reminder from the parent or guardian. One example we talked about was going to bed on time and getting enough sleep. On school nights elementary students should be getting 10-11 hours of sleep each night. This can make all the difference on the student's focus and concentration throughout the school day. Other examples, geared toward 1st and 2nd graders are brushing teeth, washing hands before meals and after using the bathroom, and tying shoe laces. For the 3rd and 4th graders, other examples include flossing teeth, brushing and combing hair, taking showers, putting on their own sun block/bug spray, and trimming nails.

Also at the beginning of the year, Mrs. Sweeney comes into the health classes and teaches a mini-lesson on hand washing and trying to stay germ free. Now that children are in school and spend a great deal of time indoors there is more of a risk of catching something from the germs that can spread around the classroom easily. Students can lower that risk by taking some simple steps:

1. Wash their hands or use hand sanitizer when they get the opportunity.
2. Keep their hands away from their faces.
3. Do not share things like food, hats, combs, and brushes.
4. When you feel the urge to cough or sneeze, cover your mouth with your elbow not your hands.



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SCHOOL NURSE

With all the different things that can make you sick spreading through the schools, your homes and your workplaces, I would like to remind everyone that **hand washing** is the best way to prevent the spread of diseases. Our hands do many things for us; one of the worst things is spreading disease. Please be sure to wash your hands for 20 seconds, the time it takes to sing the Happy Birthday song twice. Also make sure that you change your towels frequently. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Sweeney at the nurse's office

Absenteeism Calls

Parents are requested to notify the school after 8:15 on days when their children will be absent due to illness, appointments, etc. Homework requests can be made at this time. Note: Parents are encouraged to bring students in late on days they have early appointments; have them come in and leave for late appointments; or come in, leave, and return depending on the time of the appointment. Please keep in mind that students are welcome at any time. Time spent in the building is educational and in students best interest to be here.