



# W.R. Brown Elementary School



*Together we are better...Riders Lead the Way!*

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Caesar Rodney School District

November 2023



## Upcoming Dates

**Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Half Day Districtwide

**Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Schools Closed  
Veterans Day Observed

**Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Fourth Grade Social Studies  
Testing

**Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Board of Education Meeting  
Fifer Middle School

**Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Marking Period 1 Report Cards  
Issued

WRB Riders Roll (5:30-7:00)

**Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Picture Retakes

**Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Schools Closed  
Teacher In-Service  
Conferences

**Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Schools Closed  
Teacher In-Service

**November 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>**  
Schools Closed  
Thanksgiving Break

**November 27<sup>th</sup>- December 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Santa's Secret Shop



Dear W. Reily Brown Families,

We had a meaningful October filled with many wonderful events and times to gather as a school community. We want to thank you for your continued support of W. Reily Brown, our students, our educators, and our support staff. We feel blessed to have a school filled with amazing children and we love seeing them work hard and grow each day!

September Leaders of the Month:



October Leaders of the Month:



We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday with your loved ones. We are truly grateful for you!



# Nurse's Nook



## FLU SEASON

It is that time of year again for the flu virus. How can you protect yourself and your loved ones from the flu?

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or hand sanitizer.
- Get the flu vaccine. It is available at your family doctor or local drug stores for a minimal fee.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue. Throw away the tissue after use. Then wash your hands. Do not re-use the same tissue.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Keep surfaces at home clean by wiping with a household disinfectant.

Please keep your child home if he or she is sick. This prevents the spread of viruses and bacteria. If your child has a fever, vomiting or diarrhea. He or she should be free of fever/vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours without the use of medication before returning to school.

Thank you for helping to keep our school well!

Nurse Rogers

Thank you for your cooperation,

Nurse Rogers

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## Leader in Me Student Voice Column

By: The WRB Student Lighthouse Team

Our monthly focus for November will be on Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind. This habit is about planning and setting goals. You are in control of your future.

The Habit Hype Squad will be going into the classrooms once a month to hype students up about the Habit of the Month. This month they will visit classrooms on November 6th. Ask your child which song or activity they learned! Try some activities at home to Begin with the End in Mind:

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- Puzzle Activity- Get a puzzle (about 24 pieces) and take the pieces out of the box so that your family does not see the puzzle picture on the cover. Invite family members to put the puzzle together without the aid of the picture. After two minutes, give them the puzzle picture and let them complete the puzzle. Ask: "Why is it easier to complete the puzzle with the picture?" Discuss why having the end in mind helps achieve your desired results as a family.
- Family Values- Explain that family values are what you believe in and care most about as a family—what is most important. Together make a list of what values your family shares. Discuss each value listed and why it is important. Allow all family members to have a voice. Celebrate with your family.



## Counselor's Corner

By: Jennifer Stone, WRB Counselor

October was bullying prevention month. We have been focusing on how to be an UPSTANDER vs. a bystander. SEL lessons focused on the topic of bullying and as we move into November, we will be emphasizing character building, friendship skills, making good choices and spreading kindness.

Bullying can look like:

- Starting rumors about other students.
- Using social media to say mean things about another student in a very public and embarrassing manner.
- Hearing a rumor and then sharing it with other people.
- Teasing someone repeatedly but saying it is ok because "we're just having fun".
- Focusing and commenting on differences in people in ways that leave them feeling "less than".
- Specifically excluding one person from invitations, plans, classroom groups, etc.
- Taking screenshots in classes and then posting photos or comments on social media to make fun of other students – their house, bedroom, clothing, hairstyle, etc.

**IS IT BULLYING?**

When someone does something unintentionally hurtful, and they do it ONCE, that's

**RUDE**

When someone does something intentionally hurtful, and they do it ONCE, that's

**MEAN**

When someone does something unintentionally hurtful, and they KEEP DOING IT, even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset, that's

**BULLYING**

ALWAYS be an UPSTANDER and speak up for victims and those who cannot stand up for themselves. Up standers can say something, walk away and/or leave a chat. Not contributing is being an up stander too. Standing by and watching is being a bystander.

# WRB PTO

# NEWSLETTER

## Fundraising

Boo Grams were a huge success raising over \$500!

Thank you to everyone that joined the WRB PTO at Veronica's Brick Oven Pizza on 10/25, we raised \$200!

The PTO is currently looking for corporate sponsors for the March Fun Run. If you know your organization can help, please reach out.

More fun PTO fundraisers are being planned, keep an eye out for more information! If you have ideas or would like to help plan future events, please reach out!

## Penguin Prom

We are very excited to bring back a school dance this year to WRB! The theme is Penguin Prom and the dance is Friday, February 2nd 2024 from 5:30pm- 7:30pm.

The cost to attend is \$5 per person. Tickets will be sold starting in January. No tickets will be sold at the door so be sure to keep a look out for information on how and when to buy tickets.

Contact:

**CRWRBPTO@gmail.com**

## Volunteers Needed

**Teacher Appreciation Lunch, Mashed Potato Bar:** We are in need of donations in order to host our second teacher appreciation lunch. If you are able to donate please sign up using this link: <https://tinyurl.com/WRBPOTATO>

**Holiday Shop:** We are in need of parent/guardian volunteers to help staff the holiday shop. Shifts will run daily from 8:30- 12:30 and 12:30-3:30, Monday through Friday, November 27 through December 1st. If you are interested in helping, please sign up: <http://tinyurl.com/WRBHolidayshop> or scan the QR code:

