
CENTRAL ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER



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Important Dates to Remember -

October	3	Central Night @ Amigos South
October	5	School Pictures
October	12	Central PAC @ 12 Noon @ Central Media Center
October	13	Health Screening
October	19	Fall Breakfast @ 7:30 AM in Central Cafeteria
October	19	End of 1 st Quarter
October	20	NO SCHOOL Elem. Schools Teacher Institute Day
October	21	NO SCHOOL-ALL SCHOOLS FALL BREAK
October	30	Daylight Savings Time Ends
October	31	Halloween
Oct. 31 - Nov.	4	Family Hot Lunch Week
November	9	Central PAC @ Media Center
November	11	NO SCHOOL FOR KIDS
November	17	Thanksgiving Dinner @ School
November	23, 24, 25	Thanksgiving Vacation
December	23	Christmas Vacation Begins 1:15 End of 1 st Semester

Amigos Night!!

Central Elementary's Amigos Night will be held on Monday, October 3rd at Amigos South. Students, staff & parents always have a great time together. Central staff & members of the Central PRIDE will be assisting Amigos personnel serving food to Central parents, & students between the hours of 5 & 8 P.M. This is a great opportunity for Central to earn money to go toward special projects.

SEE YOU AT THE SOUTH AMIGOS ON OCTOBER 3rd!

Central Elementary Fund Raiser - PICK UP!!

Central Elementary School Fund Raiser was a great success!! The orders will be at Central **OCT. 12** from **3:00 to 5:30 P.M.** The profits we make from the Fund Raiser this year will be used toward field trips, a PAC scholarship, and new playground equipment. Once again, a GREAT BIG THANKS TO OUR PARENTS AND STUDENTS for all your hard work. Your support of Central's annual fund raiser is outstanding! Thanks, again! **OCT. 12th is Fund Raiser Pick Up 3-5:30 P.M.!**

Change of Seasons -

Coats, caps & warm clothing will soon be necessary, so **please remember to put your child's name on all clothing & other items that come to school.** This helps us to return lost items to the rightful owner when they are misplaced. Please **listen to KGFW, 1340, or call the Hub Info Line for school closing information.**

Remember: Daylight Savings Time Ends on Sunday, October. 30!

P.R.I.D.E. Members for 2005 - 2006

Congratulations to the following fourth & fifth grade students who are members of P.R.I.D.E. for this school year:

Yezenia Hernandez	Allie McCann
Taylor Axtell	Cheyenne Whitney
Stephanie Munch	Tyler Gillen
Hector Pena	Blake Fuestman
Dante Rodriguez	Shelby Smith
Grace Manley	Brittani Rheome
Natalie Murrish	Rosamond Thalken
Ashlie Horn	Ayla Smith
Cassandra Smith	Taylor Garrison
Sam Middleton	Brandon Judd

Thank You For Calling When Your Child is Absent!

Parents, please remember to call the school, 698-8040, if your child won't be in attendance. We have voice mail, so feel free to leave a message if there is no answer. Mrs. Haeberle will call you if you do not call us first. It is most important, for the safety of your children, to inform us if your child will be absent.

Attendance -

Regular and punctual student attendance is required. The Board asks parents' full cooperation in assuring regular school attendance of their children. Absence from school works a hardship on both pupil and teacher. Academic achievement cannot occur with gaps in attendance. Students and parents are responsible for developing behaviors which will result in regular and punctual student attendance.

The district strongly encourages parents to arrange health related appointments for their children after school hours or on non-school days. Kearney Public Schools believes that the district attendance policy must be enforced to ensure student learning.

Tardies -

Tardies are also absences. Tardies cause students to miss the critical introductory component of the day's instruction. Kearney Public Schools staff will work in partnership with parents to promote consistent student attendance.

A student's absence or number of minutes tardy will be recorded daily. Cumulative hours of tardiness will be

converted into absences so that parents may observe the effect of daily tardies on student learning. Notice will be sent home regarding excessive absences and/or tardies so that parents may enforce the district and state attendance requirements.

Children planning to leave school during the day for any reason should bring a signed note or the school should receive a phone call from their parent/guardian in advance, stating the reason for absence. Students must check out at the school office before leaving. Upon returning to school that same day, the student is expected to sign in at the school office. No pupil will be allowed to leave school during the school day with any adult other than the parent/guardian, unless permission is given by the parent.

When a student returns to school after an extensive illness, surgery, or injury, and requires a change in activity or education accommodations or requests to remain indoors during the noon hour and recess time, the student must have a note from his/her parent or guardian advising the school of this need. If the need extends for longer than a 3 day period, a doctor's statement will be required.

Fall Breakfast - October 19, 2005

You are all invited to attend Central's Annual Fall Breakfast which will be held on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2005 AT 7:30 A.M. IN THE CAFETERIA! Come & enjoy breakfast with us!

October 20, 2005 - NO SCHOOL

There is **no school for elementary students on Thursday October 20th.** Elementary teachers will have a work session in the morning & and a school improvement inservice in the afternoon on October 20th.

Fall Break - October 21, 2005 - NO SCHOOL

The Kearney Public Schools will be observing a **Fall Break for all schools on Friday, October 21, 2005.** **There will not be any classes in any of the Kearney Public Schools on Friday, October 21st.**

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Family Hot Lunch Week - Oct. 31-Nov. 4

Parents, please join your child's class for our Looney Toon family luncheon. Please help your child make a fun costume to go with the Looney Toons your child's class chooses. More information will be sent home later. First grade lunch is Oct. 31 @ 11:15; second grade lunch is Nov. 1 @ 11:15; third grade lunch is Nov. 2 @ 11:40; fourth grade lunch is Nov. 3 @ 11:40 and fifth grade lunch is Nov. 4 @ 12:05. Cost is \$2.45 for adults & \$1.75 for children.

Boxtop News -

Thanks to everyone for sending in all the Boxtops for Education and Tyson Project A+ labels that have been piling up over the summer. Please continue to save the boxtops & send them to school. Thank you.

Seven Tips for A Great Morning!

1. Near the door have a place for coats, hats, gloves & shoes. Each evening, make sure that the kids have their outerwear they will need for the next day by the door.
2. Have kids empty their backpacks when they arrive home. Provide a place to put anything that needs your attention.
3. Make sure your kids have a well-lit place to do homework. Take a few minutes to go over what they need to do for the next day & put it back in their backpack.
4. Give them chores. Teachers report that kids who regularly do chores at home are more responsible in the classroom.
5. Help kids manage their time. Teach them to list all their responsibilities & determine what has to be done right away & what can be done later.
6. Prepare each evening. Pick out clothes & shoes; pack lunches; place backpack by the door. If you are a "morning person, plan on getting up early enough each morning to do these things before the rest of the family gets up.
7. Make an out-the-door checklist. Note everything they need to take to school everyday. Post it on the door.

Thank You to Parents -

Thanks to all the parents who drive safely when bringing or picking up kids from school. We would like your comments regarding the front of school (24th Street) as the primary point of loading & unloading students. Please remember to have your child cross the street at the crosswalks and not in the middle of the block.

Sign up for SCHOOL TALK!

Kearney Public Schools invites you to register for School Talk, a monthly web-based newsletter. The newsletter details district information about programs, services, and special events. You will also receive reminders about early release days (conference breaks, vacations, teacher workdays) as well as important news announcements. To register, to to the following link: <http://lists.kearneypublic.org/mailman/listinfo/schooltalk>.



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