

**WEEK AT A GLANCE
AT RCA
NOVEMBER 3, 2008**

10/31 - Halloween Parade 1:00

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11/7 - Veteran's Day Program 9:00 All veterans and spouses are invited for coffee & doughnuts at 8:30 a.m.

11/7 - Neewollah 5:30-7:00 TTYF will be serving soup for \$3.50, 6:00-8:00 games.

COSTUMES: Halloween is supposed to be a fun time, but please remember that the costumes need to be appropriate for school. No weapons, no blood, no revealing or suggestive costumes. If outfit is inappropriate the student will be asked to change back in to regular outfit. If you have questions about your child's costume please contact the school. Thanks.

KINDERGARTEN

- Phonics: The Letter I. New concepts: reading and spelling vowel I, short vowel sound /i/, twin consonants, capital letter for pronoun "I", environmental print.
- Language Arts: Shadows by Lisa Zimmerman. Vocabulary: shade, in, Earth, side, short, tall. Weekly Reader: We Pick Pumpkins In Fall, How Does a Pumpkin Grow? A Little Spider, You Can Count on Spiders.
- Mathematics: Identifying pennies, counting pennies. Oral assessment 4: Counting objects in a set, matching sets of objects using one-to-one correspondence.
- Social Studies: Dog Safety – Why do dogs bite?
- We have library every Tuesday. Please help your child to remember his/her library items each week by Tuesday.
- Friday, October 31st Activities – (12:30) get changed into Halloween costumes and get ready for Halloween parade. (1:00) Halloween parade in gymnasium – whole school. Classroom Halloween parties to immediately follow.

FIRST GRADE

- Phonics: Spelling with –ke; spelling with silent e; vowel rule: vowel-consonant-silent e; contractions; Assessment on Friday
- Sight Words: two, done, one, sure, don't, won't
- Spelling Words: The new list will go home today. We will have the test on Friday.
- Math: Sorting items and creating a graph; weighing objects using non-standard units; finding the sum by counting on; making and reading a bar graph; adding zero to a number; writing numbers 35, 36, 37; Math Facts Assessment will be on Wednesday, and the Math Assessment will be on Friday.
- Reading: Dan's Pet
- Science: Bats
- Physical Education: Wednesday
- Please have your child bring in their Halloween costume on Friday. We will dress up at school before the Halloween parade. The parade begins at 1:00.

SECOND GRADE

- Hayden Sater is our Star Student of the week!
- We are still studying fossils and dinosaurs this week. Continue to encourage your child to research and read about his/her dinosaur. We should be working on specific "research" topics and/or questions this week.
- New Spelling Packets go home today!

- Cursive writing turned out to be quite a hit! Everyone loved learning about letters h and l last week. We will continue learning cursive this week, working on letters t and k.
- Thank you to all of the parents who participated in parent/teacher conferences. It was a success. Please continue to keep in contact with me. I wanted to give out my email again to make things easier. I check my email several times throughout the day so feel free to contact me that way: jeanneb@rcsi.k12.in.us
- Please look for field trip info to be sent home this week. We will be going to Turtle Creek Reservoir on November 7th. I will be in need of drivers so please let me know if you can help out!
- Friday is our Halloween Party. Everyone will be allowed to change into costumes after lunch. More information should be sent home later this week.
- Have a Safe & Happy Halloween!

THIRD GRADE

- We are finishing our survey of the school's favorite lunch item. The students are making pictographs and are really working hard on them.
- Our corn unit is underway and this week we will be observing a real corn plant and the kernels. It should be a lot of fun and very interesting. If you have any ideas for our corn unit please let me know. I would love some suggestions.
- In Language Arts we will be working with quotation marks and commas.
- This week we will be discussing drug awareness and making the right choices.
- Reading/Vocabulary test Friday
- Spelling tests Wednesday and Friday
- Friday is the Halloween Parade. It begins at 1:00 and the Halloween party will follow. Your child needs to bring his/her costume to school to change into.
- Have a great week!

FOURTH GRADE

- Spelling- test Thursday and Friday
- Math- Identifying and writing multiples; multiplying 3, 9, and 11
- Reading- Continue Reading Sounder ; Tuesday- quiz over Chapter 4; vocabulary Test on Friday
- Science- Finish lesson 2 and start lesson 3; classifying
- Language arts- work on writing paragraphs
- Red Ribbon Week- Tuesday: Hat day; Wednesday: mismatch day; Thursday: Eagle wear
- Friday- Halloween parade 1:00 p.m.: Don't forget your costumes! Halloween party following the parade
- Have a fantastic week!!

MRS. TROTTER

5th Grade

Homeroom

- 5th grade epitaphs
 - James Whitcomb Riley biography
 - Bret Favre biography
 - Monday computers and music/ Tuesday Spanish/ Wednesday music and library Thursday P. E/ Friday James Whitcomb Riley Day
- Day in the Woods permission slip will be going out this week.

Social Studies the Election

MATH

- 2nd period Prealgebra Fractions
Algebra Rational numbers
- 3rd period Finishing up division
- 4th period Exponents
- 5th period Prime factorization

MRS. HOWARD

- Science 5- We will continue studying earthquakes and exploring different types of minerals. There will quiz on Tuesday (sections 7.1 and 7.2) and Friday (sections 7.3 and 7.4).
- Science 6- Students need to make corrections on their test from last week. How does ocean water compare with pond water? We will be studying ocean currents and climates.
- Science 7- Students need to make corrections on their quiz/test. Bring in plastics from around your house for a test on Thursday. What similarities do vegetable and motor oil have? We will be reading chapter 8 in text. Quiz for some on Wednesday.
- Science 8- We will be doing a virtual dissection of a fetal pig.
- Reading- Introduce new vocabulary words. Vocabulary quiz on Thursday. Continue reading Island of the Blue Dolphins.

MRS. BAHNEY

- Homeroom—Wabash River essay due on Thursday; Haley & Taryn are in charge of the Halloween party on Friday. Remember –do not dress in a scary or offensive costume. Friday morning the Middle School is having a James Whitcomb Riley celebration.
- Reading 1—students start a new novel this week. Half of the class will be reading *A Day No Pigs Would Die*, and the other half will be reading *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*. Both are AR books. Also, please encourage your student to read AR books outside of class; usually no homework is given in Reading except to work on AR goals.
- Reading 3—continue with *Dracula*, chapters 18-20.
- Money for play tickets on November 8 is due on Wednesday; \$12 for adults, and \$6 for students.

Social Studies 6

- Design Greek vases
- Begin work on Ancient Rome; draw a map of Italy

Social Studies 7

- Compare Hinduism and Buddhism
- Read Ancient Indian tales and perform skits

Social Studies 8

- Study Declaration of Independence
- Recite designated lines on Wednesday