



From the Assistant Principal

Dear Richard Bowling Parents and Guardians,
As we wrap up the first quarter marking period, thank you for your continued support as we are focusing on every scholar daily.

I would like to highlight a few reminders:

-Good Call of the Day: Have you received a positive call of the day concerning your scholar? If not, be on the lookout as we are focusing on highlighting scholars caught being respectful, responsible, and safe.

-Dismissal: Thank you for your patience with arrival and dismissal. As a reminder, the office will physically close at 3:30pm each day to ensure we have proper coverage during dismissal. If you pick up your child each day, we are requiring you to stay in your car and place your car visor on the dashboard. If you were not given any yellow visors, please see the main office. If you are not able to pick up your child from school, then you will need to give the visor to the person that is picking up your child. The visor is your acknowledgement that person has your permission to pick up your child. If you walk to pick up your child, then you will need to report to the courtyard area, find the marked door for your child's grade level, and then pick up your child. Please try not to change the way your child gets home each day. Try to be consistent! Having your child get home safely each day is our #1 goal.

-Discovery Center: Please join us on November 10th for our next Discovery Center Late Night. Our Discovery Center (officially known as the library) will have times each month where it will be open from 4:30-5:30. On these days, we encourage you to come to the Discovery Center with your child and Read, Read, Read! We want to show how important it is for your child to read every day and what better way is there than to read books together with your child.

-eBooks: NPS has over 14,000 eBooks available online from home or school through the Norfolk Destiny library media catalog. See our library media specialist for login information.

-Computer Classes: Our parent computer classes are currently in session. Classes are held every Monday and are free and open to all parents of Richard Bowling scholars. The classes cover basic computer skills, Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint, Internet Navigation and e-mail basics. No experience is needed.

Don't Forget:

- * Speak with your scholar about their grades (Thursday Folder)
- * Communicate with your scholars' teacher about concerns
- * Contact your scholars' teacher (we respond within 24 hours)
- * Make learning a priority (homework time, ask about their day)
- * Give your scholar a daily motivational message

I look forward to assisting with creating an environment where students can't wait to come to school the next day.

Ms. Andrea Jennings, Assistant Principal

Shoparoo

This year we are excited to be partnering with a fun, free, and truly easy fundraiser called **Shoparoo!**

Shoparoo is school fundraising made easy: the free app turns pictures of your everyday shopping receipts into cash donations and sweepstakes entries for our school! Yep, it's that simple. All you have to do is shop as you normally do, snap pictures of your receipts with the app, and voila

Just shop, snap, earn!

Get started today:

1. Download the free Shoparoo app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store
2. Select our school from the list and start taking pictures of your receipts
3. Select your scholar's grade and get started!

Thank you for your support!



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PTA Corner

Please support the PTA the year by joining. The cost to join is \$6.00 for the year.

Ms. Terry Rivers, President

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DATE TO REMEMBER

November 6

Daylight Savings Time ends
(set clocks back 1 hour)



November 7

School Picture Day
(All students must be in uniform)

November 8

Election Day
(No school for students)

November 11

Veteran's Day
(No school)

November 15

Basketball Game
@Richard Bowling - 4:30

November 22

Basketball Game
@Ingleside - 4:30

November 23

Early Release Day
(Students released 2 hours early)

November 24-25

Thanksgiving Break



AROUND THE HALLS

READING

Reading Is Fun!!! We are excited about the "Home Reading Program" for our Pre-K4 and Kindergarten Scholars. Parents please continue to read with your scholar every night and return the books on Friday. Keep the books all week and reread them. Re-reading will increase fluency. We have also launched our Accelerated Reading Program (AR) for the Kindergarten - 5th grade scholars. Students are reading at school and at home to earn AR points for themselves and their class. Ask your scholar how many points they've earned each week. Our goal is for every student to read 14.2 minutes each day.

MATHEMATICS

As the month of October comes to a close so does another mathematics unit of study. The first round of District Benchmark Assessments (DBA) are scheduled for November. These assessments are given to grades 2-5 and will assess what your child has learned thus far during Math instruction. In order to prepare for this assessment continue to encourage your child to complete their homework nightly, use Iready Math for additional practice, and review any study guides provided by the teacher.

STAKEHOLDERS

The RBES Stakeholder Committee has been working on making large and small improvements in the community. Be on the look out for a variety of afterschool clubs being offered to all scholars beginning in January! We hope this will excite children and add to their overall school experience here at RBES. Do you have a suggestion you'd like to share? Please fill out a blue form and place it in the black suggestion box located in the main office. Feel free to also email suggestions to Mrs. Gladstone: mgladstone@nps.k12.va.us.

From the School Counselor

Greetings Richard Bowling Family,

Can you believe that first quarter is already coming to an end? Our scholars have done a great job adjusting to our new building! Please continue to encourage our scholars to keep up the good work.

This month (November) we will be opening our school store. We are extremely excited about giving the kids an opportunity to earn scholar dollars for academic achievement and good behavior. The school store will be located right outside of the ODU commons area. In addition to the school store, Richard Bowling is also forming a Student Council Association. I am elated to be the SCA Sponsor. An information packet will be sent home for all scholars who are interested in running for office. Elections will be held November 7, 2016 (5th graders only). Our first service project will be a canned food drive. Lastly, all 5th grade scholars and parents are invited to attend the Middle School Specialty Program Showcase on November 9, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Lake Taylor High School. Please come to the event to learn more about the wonderful opportunities and options available for middle school students across the district.

Mrs. Vinson, School Counselor