



ROBERTS NAYLOR K-8



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Words from Ms. Rosthenhausler

Happy New year Phoenix Families! My hopes are that you had a wonderful break with family and friends. We are now in second semester and getting ready for our big state test, AASA, on April 1st-30th. This will be our chance to show the state of Arizona what we have learned throughout the year.

AASA- It's that time of the school year again. We will be drilling down on student academic needs and gaps. With that being said, we will be sending parent permission slips home for selected student interventions. This will begin in the week of Jan. 8th and will end in March.

It is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT for your child to come to school everyday and ON TIME. We have students that miss the first thirty minutes to an hour of school in the morning. The mornings are dedicated to reading. If your child misses 30 min. of school every morning that is 2.5 hours a week which is vital to learning how to read.

Reminders for the Month:

- No School on Monday, January 15th due to Martin Luther King Day.
- **Girl Scouts will begin on Friday January 19th.**
- **Awards Assembly on Friday Jan. 12th**
- **No school on Wednesday, January 24th** due to learning day for teachers.
- **Dress down** for \$1 on Friday, Jan. 12, 19, & 26th
- Our Big State test **AASA** will begin April 1st, time to Rock n Roll and show what we have learned this year.
- **Parent Conferences** will be coming in February 8th & 9th. Students in K-6 will be released at 12:00 and 7th and 8th will be released at 12:50pm.



What's Happening at RNK8?

Parent Conferences: We have parent conferences coming up on February 8th and 9th. During that time teachers will focus on students who are having challenges based on academics, attendance,

retention, and behavior. Although, if you would like a conference, you are welcome to email the teacher in order to obtain a time slot for your student.



Exciting News from Our Teachers:

Wright Flight Program- Wright Flight is a fabulous opportunity for our 5th graders. It is a chance for students to learn about aviation. Our 5th graders have already been learning the curriculum and getting ready for take-off in April. The program is taught by our very own Mr. Ross Gillis. He does an amazing job teaching students after school.

Parents: As we know reading is an important part of life and it begins with our parents at home. Research states that students ranging from kinder age to high school age are just not reading enough. Kiddos can check out books from our library, Columbus library or our books by the front office. Take time in the evening to read to your student or have your student read to you. One way to read with your kiddo is begin the sentence and have your kiddo finish the sentence. This assures that they are paying attention and following along with you. After you read a page, ask them a question such as:

- What is.....
- How would you compare...
- How would you restate the page in your own words.....
- What is the main idea....
- What can you infer about the character...

It is vital to your student that they learn how to read at an early age. Once they learn to read, they can read to learn!



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