



OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER



Dear Royersford Elementary Families,

As the weather turns crisp and the leaves change to beautiful fall colors, it's a special season to enjoy time with family and appreciate the world around us. No matter how your family celebrates, fall is a wonderful time for togetherness and reflection.

October is a wonderful time of year as we continue to be *Wild About Learning!* Along with academic growth, we are focusing on making positive choices every day through our Pathways to Positive Behavior, where all students have opportunities to demonstrate respect, responsibility, and kindness.

This month also highlights important safety awareness: October is Fire Prevention Month, and students are practicing safety drills at school with grade level assemblies on Wednesday October 8, 2025. Families can support being safe by reviewing their own home safety plans and checking smoke detectors. It's also Bus Safety Week, a great time to remind children about safe riding, waiting at the bus stop and crossing habits.

With Halloween approaching, we encourage celebrations that are safe and respectful—whether that means picking thoughtful costumes, showing kindness to others, or following safety rules while trick-or-treating.

Together, we can help our children grow, make great choices, and enjoy a safe and successful fall season!

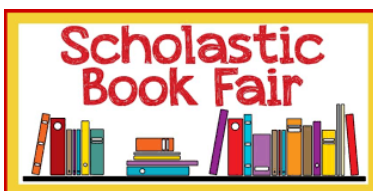
Teresa M. Carboy, Ed. D
Royersford Elementary School Principal

The Scholastic Book fair is coming to RES and We Are Wild About Reading!
Here's our Scholastic Link with all the info!

[RES Book Fair Information](#)

September 30 – October 9
Evening Family Shopping October 7 5:00pm – 8:00pm

When is my child going to book fair?
What type of payment do they take?
Can I preview what books will be sold?





Huge THANK YOU for navigating our PickUp Patrol system again this year. As a reminder, this can be used for late arrivals, early dismissals and for reporting your child absent from school. If you are not familiar with PickUp Patrol, Mrs. Trainor would be happy to send you the link with all the information.

BARKSDALE FALL RE-TAKE DAY

Just a reminder that re-take day will be Tuesday, October 28. If you were absent on the original picture day (September 19) or were new to the school and started after September 19, your child will be photographed on October 28. If you are interested in a re-take, please have your child

Our PTO Board:

President – Nicole Roberts
Vice President – Noor Tamimi
Secretary – Steph Lawrence
Treasurer – Ylora Holland



Our PTO puts out a weekly newsletter which contains the many things that they are doing for our school, as well as how you can get involved, join their Facebook page, and become part of the student directory for playdates and party invitations.

[Please click here and take a look!](#)

Pathways to Positive Behavior



We believe in fostering a positive and supportive learning environment where every child has the opportunity to reflect on their behavior and make better choices. Our approach emphasizes personal growth and learning from mistakes.

Our goal is to help students develop self-regulation and responsibility, while maintaining a nurturing environment where they can succeed academically and socially.

Before any formal disciplinary actions are taken, students are always provided with multiple chances to correct their behavior. This includes verbal reminders, taking breaks to reflect, and discussing better ways to handle situations. We want to ensure that your child feels supported and understands that they can always make positive changes, with guidance from their teachers.

RES emphasizes opportunities for students to correct their behavior before moving into formal discipline. After students are given a verbal warning and a chance to take a break and regulate, the 4-Step Formal Discipline Process begins if needed. Classrooms are equipped with calming spaces where students can go to cool down and reflect on their actions. This process helps students understand their behavior and make positive changes before facing more serious consequences.

Formal 4-Step Discipline Process

Step 1: Verbal Warning (First Offense) The teacher restates the behavior that needs to change and the expectation. Once the verbal warning is given, the formal 4-step process begins. The student is now on Step 1.

Step 2: Take a Break and Regulate (Second Offense) The student reports to the calm space within the classroom to cool down and reflect on their behavior. During this step, the student may complete a reflection sheet, or the teacher may have a brief conversation about how their actions impact others. Restitution is also part of this step, where the student makes amends, such as offering an apology or resolving any issues caused.

Step 3: Break, Reflection, and Parent Communication (Third Offense) If the behavior persists, the student is again directed to the calm space within the classroom. This step includes reflection, restitution, and communication at home. The teacher will contact the student's parents or guardians to discuss the situation and collaborate on ways to support the student in improving their behavior.

Step 4: Principal Intervention (Fourth Offense) At this stage, the teacher completes a discipline referral form, and the student is sent to the principal. The principal will discuss the behavior with the student and contact parents or guardians. The student may lose privileges, such as Good Choice Time on Fridays, and will be required to complete restorative actions to address the behavior, such as community service or writing an apology letter. Additional consequences may be issued by the principal, if necessary, including detention or revoking privileges.

Automatic Step 4

Students may move directly to Step 4 for severe or disruptive behaviors, including threats, physical altercations, or the use of derogatory language.

Our school's discipline model ensures students have multiple chances to correct their behavior while providing clear consequences. By outlining expectations and focusing on positive reinforcement, this system fosters a school culture where positive behavior is the norm at RES!

Cafeteria News!

Breakfast is free to all students again this year. We have a variety of offers daily. Breakfast includes a main entree, choice of milk and a fruit.

Lunch options range from the main meal to Vegetarian Nuggets, Pizza, Burgers, Garden Salads, Grilled Cheese, Chicken Nuggets and Muffin Yogurt Pack. A lunch meal is comprised of 5 components, and a minimum of 3 items is required to ensure the NSLP recommendations are followed. Each meal must include a fruit or a vegetable option.

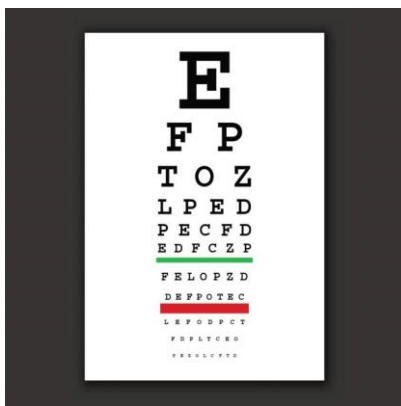
Starting Tuesday, October 7, first grade students will be able to select snacks for purchase. We offer a variety of ice cream, cookies, chips and soft pretzels. Snacks range in price from \$1.00 to \$2.25 and will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays for first grade and every day for grades 2-4. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Christine Bond

Food Service Manager, Aramark Student Nutrition
Royersford Elementary, (610) 705-6145



A few updates from Nurse Schauder



School Screenings in October

This month, I will be conducting mandated vision and hearing screenings for all students in Grades 1–4 at RES, as required by the PA Department of Education. I will also be documenting their height and weight; these number can be seen in skyward. We'll screen our kindergarteners a bit later in the year, once they've had more time to get used to their new school environment.

What to expect: If your child does not pass one or both of these screenings, you will receive a referral letter from me in their homework folder. This letter will provide you with information on how to follow up with a professional to have your child's vision or hearing evaluated.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Important Health Paperwork Reminder

If your student is in **3rd grade** at Royersford Elementary School and you have not yet provided proof of a recent dental exam, this paperwork is now past due. We need a dental exam form dated on or after July 1, 2024. Please submit this as soon as possible.

Additionally, if your **kindergarten or first-grade student** is new to our school this year and you have not provided proof of a recent physical and dental exam, this paperwork is also past due. Please submit these forms promptly.

You can send hard copies of the forms in with your student, or you can email them directly to me at rscha@spring-ford.net.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter!



A Spooktacularly Safe Halloween!

Halloween is a favorite holiday for many of our students, and we want to make sure it's as safe as it is fun. With excited children and limited daylight, it's important to keep safety in mind, whether you're trick-or-treating or welcoming little ghosts and goblins to your door.

Here are a few tips to help everyone have a safe and healthy Halloween night:

Costume Safety

- Be seen! Choose costumes with bright colors, and add reflective tape or stickers so drivers can easily spot your child in the dark. A flashlight or glow stick is also a great accessory!
- Watch their step. Make sure costumes are the right length to prevent trips and falls. Avoid oversized shoes and masks that can block your child's vision. Non-toxic face paint is a great alternative to masks.
- Stay away from fire. Look for costumes, wigs, and accessories labeled "flame-resistant." Use battery-operated lights in jack-o'-lanterns instead of candles.

Trick-or-Treating

- Walk safely. Remind your child to walk on sidewalks, use crosswalks, and look both ways before crossing the street.
- Stay in a group. Younger children should always be with a responsible adult. If older children are trick-or-treating alone, make sure they go in a group and stick to a pre-planned, well-lit route.
- Don't go inside. Teach your child to never enter a stranger's home or car, even if they're offered a treat.

After the Fun

- Inspect all treats. Wait until you get home to go through your child's candy. Throw away anything that is unwrapped, has a torn or loose wrapper, or looks suspicious.
- Be mindful of allergies. Check candy labels for common allergens, especially if your child has a food allergy.
- Don't forget to brush! Remind your children to brush their teeth after enjoying their treats to prevent cavities.



Dates To Remember

Sept 30 - Oct 8 - Scholastic Book Fair (held during library class)

Oct 2 – National Custodian Appreciation Day – Be sure to High Five Mr. Mike and Mr. Ed!!!

Oct 2 – No School for Students

Oct 6 - PTO Meeting Media Center 7:00pm

Oct 7 - Evening family book fair 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Oct 8 - Fire Prevention Assemblies

Oct 10 - Homecoming Wear BLUE & GOLD & all things Spring-Ford!

Oct. 28 - Picture Re-Take Day

Oct 27 – Oct 31 Red Ribbon Week

Oct 27 - Be Kind to your Mind. Live Drug Free ...Wear RED

Oct 28 - It's no sweat to be drug free ...Wear SWEATS

Oct 29 - Too bright for drugs ...Wear BRIGHT COLORS AND SUNGLASSES

Oct 30 - The SUPERPOWER to say NO ...Wear a SUPERHERO outfit/shirt

Oct 31 - Drugs are SCARY! ...Wear ORANGE/BLACK and bring costumes to school

Information regarding this year's Halloween Costume Parade can be found here:

[Halloween 2025 Information](#)