

Ruhkala News and Updates: December 5, 2016

Ruhkala Website: <http://rues.rocklinusd.org/>



Ruhkala Moments: Leadership Awards



PTSC Column:

Website:

<http://www.ruhkalaptsc.com>

Monday Madness - Today- Monday, December 5th

Scrip - Turn in your Scrip orders!
Scrip is a great way to buy gift cards for Christmas AND help Ruhkala earn money. Up to 15% of the gift card value goes back to Ruhkala!

Amazon Smile - Do your Christmas shopping through Amazon Smile and give back to Ruhkala! Use this link:
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-2711304>

SAVE THE DATES:

* Ruhkala Spirit Night at BLAZE PIZZA - Wednesday, Dec 14th

* Ruhkala Dinner and Auction for Adults - Friday, March 10th

Leadership Council Column:

Minty Gram Sales

Candy Cane Minty Gram Sales will be taking place all next week at student lunch times.

Holiday Spirit Day: Thursday, December 22nd

To celebrate the coming of the holidays we will be having a Holiday Spirit Day. Wear your PJ bottoms with your Ruhkala Spirit Shirt and a holiday hat.

Share in the Spirit of Giving:

We are calling for new unwrapped toys or books to be donated. These toys/books will be taken to Kaiser Hospital to help warm the hearts of children there during this holiday season. Please drop any toys off in the office or give them to your teacher from now until



Staff Spotlight! A new section to our newsletter! Please take a moment this week to congratulate our wonderful student teachers who will be soon finishing up their work at Ruhkala Elementary School. The students and staff will miss them. Thank you to Ms. Gardetto and Ms. Berridge for their mentorship.

Mr. Newton is finishing up his work at William Jessup this trimester. He is from the Sacramento area and will now be spending time subbing- hopefully here at Ruhkala- until he finds his permanent job.

Ms. McMullen played volleyball for William Jessup and will finish her degree with her teaching credential very soon. She is originally from the Los Angeles area but has family in Granite Bay. She is a twin!

We hope that she will also come back and continue to be a guest teacher at Ruhkala.



Talking Points- There is so much wonderful work happening in your child's classroom each day that sometimes it can be hard to know how to ask your children about what happened at school. I recently read an article, "15 Questions to Replace 'How was School Today?'" that had great questions for asking your child about their day at school. Here are some of my favorites questions:

1. Tell me about a moment today when you felt excited about what you were learning.
2. Were there any moments today when you felt proud of yourself?
3. What are you looking forward to tomorrow?
4. What was challenging about your day?
5. **A couple questions can really promote children's love of learning and really help you partner with our STEAM focus here at Ruhkala: Think about what you learned and did in school today. What's something you'd like to know more about? What's a question you have that came from your learning today?**



Noteworthy Events this Week:

Monday:

PTSC Monday Madness 1:20-2:30 Multipurpose Room

Early Engineers 1:30 Room 19

PTSC Meeting 2:30-3:30 Multipurpose Room

Tuesday:

ESL Class 6:00-7:30 Cobblestone Elementary School

Wednesday:

Thursday:

ESL Class 6:00-7:30 Cobblestone Elementary School

Friday:

Leader in Me Awards Assembly 7:50 Multipurpose Room - You are always welcome to stay and celebrate the spirit of leadership here at Ruhkala Elementary School.

Sixth Grade Field Trip to B Street Theatre

Kindergarten Field Trip to Magic Circle Theatre