

WEEK OF OCTOBER 23RD

SPARK FAMILY NEWSLETTER



Calendar

October 23-27 - Red Ribbon Week

October 27 - Walk & Roll Parade to School

October 27 - Fun Run

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October 31 - Book Character Day

November 7 - Asynchronous Learning Day

November 9 - Progress Reports Go Home

November 10 - Admin Coffee Talk @ 8:00

November 10 - 5th Grade Movie Night

November 16 - SPARK Literacy Night 4:30-6:30 PM

November 13 - 17 - SPARK Book Fair



Events

Fun Run Information: Click [HERE](#) to register for the SPARK Fun Run today! Booster will be on campus each day this week inspiring fundraising efforts. The week will end with our Fun Run! This is a fun community event! We would love for you to join us and cheer on your Dragon! Coffee will be provided by PTO.

- K, 1st and Mr. Cameron's class: 8:15 AM
- 2nd and 3rd grade: 9:30 AM
- 4th and 5th grade: 10:45 AM

WE DID IT! 50% of SPARK is registered so we are having a school-wide pajama day on Monday, October 23rd!

Interested in volunteering for the Fun Run? Click [HERE](#)!

Red Ribbon Week: Help us celebrate Red Ribbon Week "Be Kind to Your Mind"

- **Monday, 10/23:** We are "RED"y to be all we can be! Wear red.
- **Tuesday, 10/24:** We have made up our mind for an amazing future! Wear a hat and/or crazy socks!
- **Wednesday, 10/25:** Our school is no place for hate! Wear yellow and black!
- **Thursday, 10/26:** Our minds are works of art! Wear a colorful outfit or your favorite color.
- **Friday, 10/27:** Teamwork makes everything better! Wear your SPARK Fun Run Shirt (**teachers will pass shirts out Friday morning**).



Announcements:

Join SPARK's Parent Teacher Organization: We strive to have 100% of families join the PTO, which helps support the enrichment, community, and fundraising of our school. [CLICK HERE](#) to join the PTO for the 23-24 school year!

Recycling Challenge: Please bring in clean plastics to recycle ([see flyer for what is accepted](#)) for a grade level recycling challenge from October 20th-November 17th. The PTO has provided brag tags for the winning grade level. The winning grade level teachers will get a pizza lunch provided by the SPARK STEAM Team.

October Media Newsletter: [CLICK HERE](#) to view the October Media Newsletter!

One Fair Judges: If you are interested in judging the One Fair- Science, Engineering, Social Studies and Technology Fair please fill out the [ONE FAIR JUDGE Form](#).

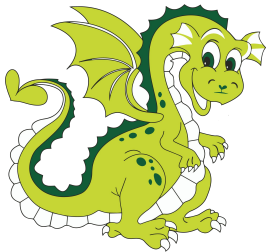
Walk & Roll Parade to School: Join SPARKY and Dr. Toney on a parade walk to SPARK! [The parade will start on St. Augustine Place near the Byway Alley at 7:25am.](#) All kids that walk or bike to school that morning will get lots of free fall-themed treats when they reach the SPARK parking lot!

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



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“J” is for Journey

As we sail through another school year, let's remember that education is much like an exciting journey, filled with both highs and lows. Our students are the explorers on this adventure, experiencing successes and facing challenges along the way. These challenges offer valuable life lessons, most notably, the importance of perseverance.

We want to instill in our children the understanding that setbacks and challenges are an integral part of learning. When things get tough, the key is not to give up but to persevere. Life isn't always a smooth journey; it's about learning from difficulties to grow and thrive.

Here are some key takeaways to keep in mind:

1. **Stay the Course:** Education is a journey, and teachers are there as guides on this path.
2. **Embrace Challenges:** Learning occurs when students tackle and overcome challenges.
3. **Seek Support:** Our teachers and support staff are here to assist students whenever they need it.
4. **Celebrate Progress:** Every step, no matter how small, is a reason to celebrate.
5. **Goals Matter:** Education reflects the goals we've set for ourselves, marking our progress.

Reflect with your child on their report card and how you can set goals together. This process of reflection and goal-setting can be a meaningful way to plan for the future and motivate growth.

Together, let's navigate this educational journey, providing support and guidance. We'll climb the mountains, cross the valleys, and reach new summits of knowledge and growth.

Thank you for your continued support as we embark on this journey together.

With Love,

Dr. Jennifer Toney