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A note from Principal Ben Dallman... PRIDE, Respect, and Responsibility

Congratulations on a great school year!

As our school year begins to wind down this month, this seems like the perfect time to thank our Roosevelt friends and families for their ongoing support throughout the school year. Many thanks for your time and energy put into volunteering at school, checking folders at home, attending special events, connecting with teachers, supervising field trips, helping with fundraising, and all the other behind the scenes work you do for kids. Your efforts are greatly appreciated! Spring can be an extremely fun and busy time for young families!

And finally, congratulations to our graduating fifth-grade students! It has been enjoyable watching you grow as individuals, and we feel privileged to have had the opportunity to work with you!

Highlights from April:

- To celebrate their hard work completing our state **Forward Exam**, all third grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade students celebrated with a dilly bar during their afternoon recess. Thank you to our students for your hard work, and to our PTA for providing our students a special treat!
- On **April 30**, our Playground Fundraising Committee hosted our second annual **Spaghetti Dinner** at the *Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd*, and it was a tremendous success. This event fed approximately 300 people while generating more than \$5,000 to go towards phase two of our playground project. Thank you to our friends at *Good Shepherd Church* for allowing us to use their facilities, to our amazing family volunteers, community members, *Sam's Club* volunteers, and to everyone who donated baked goods and items for our silent auction. You may find additional information at our Roosevelt Elementary PTA Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100072178149018>
- Thank you to all our Roosevelt friends and family members who were able to join us for either of our two VIP mornings! We appreciate all our guests for taking time out of their schedules to join our students for this special activity, and more importantly, for filling the vital role of being an important person in the life of a child.

As a culminating school wide activity for the month of April, students celebrated their own “*courage*” by participating in our first annual Rainbow Run. As a school, our students combined for 987 laps averaging approximately 4.5 laps per person! Because of their strong effort, our First Grade and Fourth Grade students earned a bonus buddy recess to enjoy together. Great job to all our students for showing great grit and courage for this 15-minute run!

Announcements for May and June:

- On **May 5**, we introduced our new monthly character trait *creativity* to students. We describe *creativity* as “*using your imagination to create something or solve a problem.*” Students will be completing activities together throughout the month of May on activities that will stretch their creativity with a schoolwide Chalk fest on May 30!
- Thank you to everyone who provided items for our PTA’s Saver’s donation drive in early May. After delivering 3,715 pounds of clothes and other household items, we received \$743 to go towards our playground fund.
- The *Fifth-Grade Track Meet* took place at Memorial High School on the morning of Friday, **May 17**, and did a great job competing while also demonstrating pride, respect, and responsibility as they represented Roosevelt proudly to our community. Afterwards, students experienced eating a delicious lunch at Hilltop on UWEC’s campus before heading out for another hour of recreational activities on the UWEC campus.
- We plan to host our *Fifth-Grade Graduation* on **June 3** beginning at 2:45pm. All family members are welcome to attend this event along with the short reception in our cafeteria afterwards.
- Our students will celebrate their *End of Year Carnival* on **June 5** beginning at 1:30pm. If you would like to volunteer for this family-fun event, please contact our partnership coordinator Tammy Rud at trud@ecasd.us.
- **Space is still available!** Roosevelt’s Summer School Programming is schedule for **June 10-27** (Monday-Thursday, 8:30-11:45 am) with free breakfast, free lunch, and library times available. **Students are invited to attend even if they are unable to attend daily.** Our summer school program is free to families and designed for ALL students going into grades Kindergarten through fifth grade. To register, please call our office at **(715) 852-4701**. Thank you!

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| • Roosevelt Summer School | June 10-27, 8:30-11:45 am for students |
| • Free Breakfast (ages 0-17) | 8:00-8:45am |
| • Free Lunch (ages 0-17) | 11:45-12:15pm |
| • <i>Park & Rec River City Adventures</i> | 12:00-4:00pm |
| • <i>Boys & Girls Club Afternoon Programming</i> | 12:10pm bus time on Folsom Street near ice rink |
| • Roosevelt Summer Library | |
| ○ June 10-27, 8:00-12:00pm for students | |
| ○ June 11, 18, and 25, 6:00-7:00pm for families | |

- After installing **phase one** of our playground update project last summer, we are now dangerously close to reaching our **phase two** goal marking the completion of our massive \$110K playground update project. Families will be updated when this achievement is officially reached, along with install date! Thank you to our dedicated team of parents who did all the legwork for this project and to our Roosevelt community for your amazing support for this project over the past three years!



Mark your Calendars:

- For our families with incoming Kindergarten students joining us this fall, we will be hosting our *Kindergarten Round-Up* orientation meeting on Monday, **August 19** from 4:00-5:00pm. We invite all new and veteran Roosevelt families to join us to gather updated kindergarten information, ask questions, meet teachers, and tour our building with our incoming Roosevelt Tigers! Additional mailings will be sent to families this summer containing more important details.

Sincerely,



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