



Rio Hondo Newsletter

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Homework hotline number 626 - 258-4124

Our API is moving up to 750!

Reading With Your Child

Keep your child reading through summer months

Students who don't read over the summer months lose an average of two to three months in reading skills. Those who keep reading experience gains.

The more your child reads, the easier it'll be for him. And the more he'll want to read. So see that your child reads 30 minutes every day.

Try these activities to keep reading fun:

- Read the newspaper together. Give your child the comics to read. Ask him which one's the funniest. Discuss sports, the weather, letters to the editor, travel destinations, etc.
- Read aloud together. You read a line or page of a book. Then your child does. Or you read the narrative. Let your child read the dialogue—what characters say.
- Dramatize what you read. Select a simple scene from one of your child's books. Assign character roles. Discuss what happens first, second, next. Then act it out, adding lots of dialogue.
- Promote practical reading. Help your child read a recipe to bake cookies. Involve your child in reading instructions to build or repair something.
- Create reading-related jobs. Ask your child to recopy damaged recipes. Your child could also organize the family bookshelf or video collection in alphabetical order.

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Dear Parents and Family,

This month we will say goodbye to three very good friends who have decided to retire. Kindergarten teacher Diana Crain and Third Grade teacher Linda Donato, have served our students in the classroom with dedication. Betty Myers, Rio Hondo's Office Manager, has kept the school running smoothly for a lot of years, and is now retiring to watch over her grandchild. They will truly be missed.

This year Rio Hondo had more opportunities for families to come and be involved at the school than any other year since I've been principal. These family events (*Carnival, Family Fun Night, Dr. Seuss Night, Fitness Night, AVID Family Night, Father/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Bowling, Holiday Concert, Concert in the Park, Parent Day, Parent Institute, Back-to-School, Open House, Founders Night, etc.*) are very important in developing deep relationships between the families and Rio Hondo, and in the end pays big dividends for all of Rio Hondo's students. I want to thank all of the teachers and parents who made these events possible.

Here's to a terrific remainder of the school year. I hope everyone has a great summer and good luck to a terrific eighth grade class as they move on to high school.

Lance Lawson, Principal

June 2008 Events Calendar

June	2	Year Books Go on Sale
June	2	Jog-a-Thon Winners Go to Scandia
June	3	Upper Grade Talent Show
June	5	American Legion Assembly
June	5	Last Day of 3:40 Bus
June	6	Builders Club Banquet
June	6	Run For Heart
June	6	1 st and 2 nd Grade SOM Assembly
June	9	6 th – 8 th Grade SOM Assembly
June	9	Hawaiian Day
June	10	6 th – 8 th Beach Trip
June	10	3 rd Grade SOM Assembly
June	11	Primary Field Day
June	12	School Site Council
June	12	4 th & 5 th Lunch With the Principal
June	13	8 th Grade Knott's Berry Farm Trip
June	16	8 th Grade Awards Assembly
June	16	8 th Grade Promotion Assembly
June	17	8 th Grade Picnic
June	18	4 th – 7 th Awards Assemblies
June	18	Last Day of School

Consolidated Days

Kindergarten (All Students 8:00 – 11:30)

June 11, 16 & 17

Grades 1 thru 3 (8:00 a.m. – 1:25 p.m.)

June 4, 11, 16, and 17

Grades 4 and 5 (8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)

June 4, 12, to 17

Grades 6 thru 8 (7:55 a.m. – 1:40 p.m.)

June 12, to 17

Last Day of School – Wed., June 18

Kindergarten

8:00 – 11:30

Grades 1 – 5

8:00 – 12:00

Grades 6 -7

7:55 – 12:00

Grade 8

7:55 – 11:30

Please make arrangements to pick up your child on time.