



The Ram Report

Rousseau Elementary School – 3701 South 33rd Street – Lincoln, NE 68506

CALENDAR

May

- 5 5th Grade Students visit
Pound Middle School
2nd Grade Field Trip
- 6 Chorus Concert 7:00 p.m.
- 7 Gold Star Banquet
- 8 Band/Strings Concert
7:00p.m.
Character Council Meeting
- 12 Kdg. Field Trip-Children's Zoo
5th Grade Field Trip-Morrill
Hall (Clayburn & McDonald)
- 13 Election Day
5th Grade Field Trip-Morrill
Hall (Hall & Pomajzl/Haddan)
Ram Report Deadline
- 15 1st Grade Field Trip (Brown,
Plageman, Hiatt)
Character Council Meeting
- 16 1st Grade Field Trip (Hansen
& Kennedy)
- 19 PTA Board Meeting (Annual
Board Election) 6:30 p.m.

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Get involved in 2008-09!

Rousseau's PTA is already gearing up for the next school year! There are many wonderful things that the PTA brings Rousseau's teachers and students every year and it takes the work of a lot of volunteers! If you are interested in becoming more involved in the PTA organization in the next school year, please contact Deonne Bruning at deonnebruning@neb.rr.com or Mrs. Braun. Many opportunities are available!

From the Principal's Notepad

By Sue Braun

Dear Rousseau Families,

Welcome to the beautiful blossoming of spring - finally!! The stunning red bud tree and gorgeous tulips in the front yard at Rousseau School are a vivid reminder that the 2007-2008 school year is winding down. While students have worked hard to meet many grade level and personal goals, we still have 4 more weeks to accomplish a lot of learning. Maintaining our focus, attention, and effort on what's most important - *learning* - can be challenging amid the many activities that accompany the end of the year but... we remain committed to finishing **STRONG**.

We have much for which to be thankful and much good work to celebrate at Rousseau School! We are a community all about children **LEARNING, THINKING, and LEADING!!** The school calendar for May is **PACKED** with many opportunities to celebrate our accomplishments and enjoy time together as a learning community. We have picnics and field trips, concerts and special class projects, volunteer recognition and Teacher Appreciation Week, a Character Council food drive and a DI team heading to Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee. We will also keep our fingers crossed for good weather as we host our second annual *Beans on the Green* family event. **WHEW!** That's a lot happening! I hope you'll join us for as many activities as you can - especially those families who will say good bye to Rousseau School at the end of the year to make a move to new schools or move on to middle school. **WE WILL MISS YOU!**

The staffing plan for next year is taking shape. Because we will experience a decline in enrollment as a result of attendance boundary changes, we will have fewer sections at some grades and a few teachers working at different grade levels next year. In addition, we are excited to be adding 4 sections of all-day kindergarten. I will share details of the plan and staff assignments with you as they become clearer. Thank you for your continuing support of Rousseau School.

Most sincerely,

Sue Braun, Principal



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CRT TEST

Dear Parents of 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students,

Your children will be taking Criterion-Referenced Tests in the areas of English-Language Arts and Math. Criterion-Referenced tests are used to report student progress on standards to the state.

3rd grade students will be assessed May 14, 15, and 20.

4th grade students will be assessed May 14, 15, 19, and 20.

5th grade students will be assessed May 14, 15, 20, and 21.

You can help prepare students for these tests by making sure that your child has a good healthy breakfast and ample sleep on the nights before testing. It is also helpful for children to be dressed comfortably during this assessment period. Please try not to schedule appointments that take your child out of school on these days.

If you have questions, please telephone your child's teacher or me at 436-1165.

Dee Reifschneider,
Rousseau Coordinator

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In this issue you will find a flyer with information regarding the KFOR Summer Fun Punch Ticket. The proceeds from the sale of these tickets have been approved by the PTA Board to go to Destination Imagination.

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Fifth Grade will be selling bags of popcorn on May 6, 7, and 8 for 50 cents. The proceeds from the popcorn sales will go towards the 5th grade field trip to the Stuhr Museum in Grand Island.



You are invited to
The 2008 Summer Library Program

Catch the Reading Bug!
Coming to Rousseau Elementary This Summer
Dates to be announced

How the Program Works

1. Children ages preschool to 5th grade can register.
2. Register for the reading program at Rousseau.
3. You'll receive a log book to record the titles of books you read this summer.
4. This is the same program as the Lincoln City Libraries.
5. The library welcomes children of all abilities.

For more information, call Ms. Hughes at 436-1165.

Lincoln Public Schools Food Zone

Elementary Menu May 2008

Monday Chicken Caesar Salad	Tuesday Diced Turkey Ham Salad	Wednesday Oriental Chicken Salad	Thursday Chicken Ranch Salad	Friday Turkey Ham Chef Salad
May 5 Pepperoni Pizza+ Country Beef Sandwich Corn Tossed Salad Orange Wedges Applesauce Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 6 Mucho Nachos or Soft Shell Taco BBQ Chicken Sandwich Refried Beans Lettuce & Tomato Fresh Strawberries & Banana Peaches Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 7 Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks with Sauce Chili Cheese Wrap or Burrito Carrots & Peas Tossed Salad Apple Wedges Pineapple Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 8 Creamed Turkey Breaded Beef Sticks Whipped Potatoes & Gravy Celery with Dip Sweet Cherries Pears Roll Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 9 Chicken Popcorn with Biscuit BBQ Beef Riblette or Country Beef Sandwich Potato Rounds Veggie/Salad Frozen Juice Bar Mixed Fruit Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt
May 12 Breaded Baked Chicken Salisbury Steak Whipped Potatoes & Gravy Tossed Salad Orange Wedges Applesauce Roll Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 13 Italian Dunkers Polish Dog+ on Bun Cauliflower with Dip Tossed Salad Sweet Cherries Peaches Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 14 Breaded Pork+ Sandwich Fiestada Sweet Peas or Broccoli Tossed Salad Dried Fruit Pineapple Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 15 Mac & Cheese Breaded Chicken Sandwich Green Beans Tossed Salad Grapes Pears Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 16 <u>School Picnic Day</u> Grilled Hamburger Hot dog or Polish Dog+ on Bun Baby Carrots Apple Chocolate Chip Cookie Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt
May 19 Chicken Teriyaki with Rice Pilaf Egg Roll or Taco Hot Pocket Broccoli with Dip Tossed Salad Dried Fruit Applesauce Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 20 French Toast Sticks with Sausage Links+ & Cheese Stick Hamburger Pizza Hash Brown Potatoes Celery with Dip Orange Wedges Peaches Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 21 Turkey Sub Hot Turkey Ham & Cheese Sandwich Potato Rounds Tossed Salad Apple Wedges Mixed Fruit Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 22 Beef Meatballs or Meat Sauce and Spaghetti Sausage Pizza+ Baby Carrots & Dip Tossed Salad Sweet Cherries Pears Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt	May 23 <u>Customer Appreciation Day</u> Corn Puppies Chicken Nuggets with a Roll Corn Salad/Veggies Pineapple Tidbits Fresh Fruit Ice Cream Sandwich Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt
May 26 Apply now to be a Food Service Worker this fall. Work 4 hours while your child(ren) are in school. Apply at LPSDO, 5901 "O" Street in Human Resources	May 27 Pizza Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt Manager Selects Second Entrée plus Fruits & Vegetables	May 28 Chicken Fingers, or Popcorn, or Nuggets with Breadstick Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt Manager Selects Second Entrée plus Fruits & Vegetables	May 29 BBQ Riblette, Breaded Pork+, or Country Beef Sandwich Milk $\frac{1}{2}$ pt Manager Selects Second Entrée plus Fruits & Vegetables	May 30 Manager Selects Menu

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Lincoln Public Schools Food Zone

Elementary Breakfast Menu May 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May 5 BREAKFAST PIZZA+ or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 6 PANCAKE & SAUSAGE+ ON A STICK or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 7 FRENCH TOAST STICKS or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 8 SCRAMBLED EGGS or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 9 BREAKFAST TAC-GO or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk
May 12 BUTTERMILK PANCAKES or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 13 TOASTED BAGEL OR ENGLISH MUFFIN WITH JELLY or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 14 CHEESE OMELET or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 15 BREAKFAST BITES+ or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 16 TOASTER PASTRY OR BREAKFAST PIZZA+ or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk
May 19 BREAKFAST BAGEL+ OR BREAKFAST BITES+ or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 20 GOLDEN WAFFLES OR PANCAKES OR FRENCH TOAST STICKS or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 21 EGG & CHEESE ON BISCUIT, BAGEL OR ENGLISH MUFFIN or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 22 TOASTED ENGLISH MUFFIN, BAGEL OR BISCUIT or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk	May 23 SCRAMBLED EGGS, CHEESE OMELET OR EGG PATTIE or COLD CEREAL WHOLE GRAIN TOAST Juice Milk
May 26 No School	May 27 Manager Selects Menu	May 28 Manager Selects Menu	May 29 Manager Selects Menu	May 30 Manager Selects Menu

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GREAT PTA/PTO Fund Raising Opportunity!

Attention!

Before the end of the 2008 school year, your school will be selling the **"KFOR Summer Fun Punch Ticket"**. On the ticket you will find "punches" which are good for summer activities for kids. (One ticket per child, please do not share tickets, note age restrictions for each location.) Activities on the tickets include:

Lincoln Children's Zoo

2 Punches. 1 punch is good for a FREE admission and 1 punch is good for a FREE train ride. (Ages 5-14. Excludes groups of 5 or more kids. Must be accompanied by an adult 15 or over.)

Sun Valley Lanes

6 Punches. Each punch is good for 2 FREE games of open bowling per day (Mon-Fri, open-6pm). Shoe rental EXTRA (\$3 per person). (Ages 5-14. May not be used with any other special, reservations, VIB card, discounts, or organized groups. Excludes groups of 5 or more kids. Must be accompanied by an adult 19 or older.)

Laser Tag

1 Punch. Good for one FREE 15 minute session of Laser Tag. (Excludes groups of 5 or more kids. Ages 7-14. May not be used with any other offer, discounts, or organized groups.)

Lincoln Children's Museum

1 Punch. Good for one FREE admission. (Ages 12 & under. Excludes groups of 5 or more kids. Must be accompanied by an adult 16 or over.)

Champions Fun Center

6 Punches. Each punch is good for either one FREE game of bowling (shoe rental EXTRA) **or** miniature golf **or** freefall! (Mon-Thurs. May not be used with any other special, reservations, discounts or birthday parties. Excludes groups of 4 or more kids. Ages 5-14. One punch per card, per day. Must be accompanied by an adult 19 or older.)

Lost in Fun

1 Punch. Good for one FREE session for the Playground Playsets **or** Fun Jumbo inflatables **or** 3-D Golf. (Monday-Friday. Excludes groups of 5 or more kids. Ages 12 & under. Must be accompanied by an adult 16 or older.)

These activities are valued over **\$50**, but through this special KFOR promotion with participating PTA-PTO's, your cost is only **\$5** per pass! That is **\$5** per pass for over **\$50** worth of fun for kids this summer. **What a value! And here's the best value of all ...**

100% of the proceeds of all tickets sold, goes to your school's PTA/PTO. Every penny stays in school! Not only a great value, but a great cause!

We hope you will participate in the **KFOR Summer Fun Punch Ticket** and make this year the largest fund raising event for your school's PTA/PTO.

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Tickets will be available for sale at participating schools through your PTA/PTO, from April 30 - May 30, 2008. Tickets are valid from June 1 through August 15, 2008. Tickets will not be available for purchase after May 30, 2008. No refunds on summer tickets after purchase. Tickets cannot be replaced if lost, stolen or destroyed. Tickets cannot be redeemed for cash. One ticket per child please. **Children may not share tickets.**