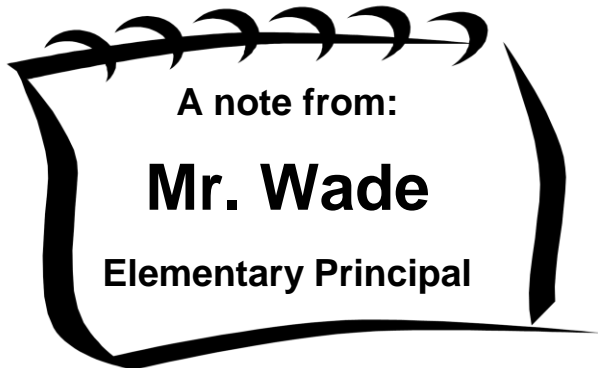


Alexander Elementary



Parents Make A Difference!

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A note from:

Mr. Wade

Elementary Principal



September
October

We appreciate our students and parents for helping to get this year off to a great start! We have a wonderful faculty that is dedicated to working with your child. It is our goal to provide the best education possible. In order for this to happen, you must have a strong relationship with your child's teacher. A positive connection between home and school is always the key to a successful year.

We are excited to have our new safe room building operational. In a recent drill, we confirmed the building is plenty big enough to accommodate all students and staff comfortably. The four rooms are a nice size and have made a wonderful addition to our school. We want everyone to be aware that during non-school hours the safe room is available to the public in the event of a tornado. Patrons can enter the building using the Westside double doors.

To help make our school achieve more; attendance is crucial for learning. It also develops important life habits. Students are expected to learn and master more in school today than ever before. If a student is not here, they miss out on learning. When missing school, parents need to call the office the day of the absence. Students are not allowed to miss more than four days in a four-week period without going to the doctor (and providing verification to the office). We ask that you please try to schedule appointments after school or on breaks. Let's continue to make excellent attendance a goal. I hope each of you have an amazing school year!

No School- Friday, September 1 (Staff Training)

No School- Monday, September 4 (Labor Day)

Concession After Lunch Opens- Tuesday, September 5. Everything is .50 each. Proceeds go back for student incentives, equipment and other school needs.

Red Wheel Fundraiser Begins- Wednesday, September 6. Sale Ends September 20. Delivery/Pickup is October 12.

Constitution Day Assembly- Friday, September 15. In the gym starting at 10:00AM.

Progress Reports Go Out- Tuesday, September 19.

Parent/Teacher Conferences (Day 1)- Tuesday, September 26 from 3:45PM to 6:45PM

School Pictures- Wednesday, September 27 starting at 9:00AM.

Parent/Teacher Conferences (Day 2)- Thursday, September 28 from 3:45PM to 6:45PM.

No School- Friday, September 29.

No School- Friday, October 6 (Staff Training)

End of 1st 9 weeks- Friday, October 13.

Grade Cards Go Out- Tuesday, October 17.

Kindergarten Field Trip to Pumpkin Patch- Tuesday, October 17. Annabelle's Fun Farm in Welch. Leave at 8:45AM.

First Grade Field Trip to Tulsa Zoo- Wednesday, October 18. Leave at 8:10AM.

Fall Break- October 19-20. No School



Get a Great Start to Make Your Child's Year a Success

How you start the school year can determine how well the rest of the year will go. Teachers and parents agree doing these things helps ensure children get off to a great start:

***Review safety lessons**—how to walk to school safely or ride the bus; classroom and school rules for behavior.

***Provide the supplies.** It is important that your child start school with necessary supplies. If you need assistance, please contact our School Counselor, Angela Brough.

***Put your child's name on things so they won't get lost.**

***Set the scene for homework.** Match the environment to child's work style. Some children need quiet. Others are helped by a little sound—like classical music.

***Start your morning at night.** Help your child choose the day's cloths. Gather homework and sign school papers. Line up breakfast plans.

***Establish bedtime and homework routines.** Pick a time that your child will do homework and go to bed. Then stick to it.

***Don't over schedule your child.** Give him time to unwind after school—especially during the first few weeks of adjusting. Make sure he has free time to just play every day.

***Meet your child's teacher.** How can you help her? Ask about homework. How can you help your child at home?

***Teach respect by showing respect.** Say "please" and "thank you" to your child.

***Be genuinely interested in your child's schoolwork.** Ask about school every day. Ask him to teach you what he's learning.

***Say at least one positive thing to your child each day.**

***Insist that your child try hard to be a good student.** If school is important to you, it will be important to him.

After-school questions

Asking "How was school today?" might not get you far. Instead, ask questions like these for a better picture of your youngster's day:

"What's the coolest thing that happened? What wasn't so great?"

Pretend you're the teacher. "How would you describe the day?"

"What made you laugh?"

"What was the most creative thing you did?"

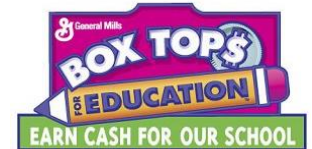
"How were you kind or helpful today? Was anyone kind or helpful to you?"

*Research has proven when parents show an interest in how their child is doing in school it makes a huge difference in the students' academic progress and future success.

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Each box top is worth 10¢. Money collected



will be used to purchase playground equipment for our school. The class with the most Box Tops each month will earn a special treat for their classroom. Look for products with this coupon, cut it out and send it to school.



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www.commercetiger.net

You can view your child's grades by going to:
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