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November 3-7

**If you don't stand  
for something,  
you will fall  
for anything.**

**-Alexander Hamilton**

### IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 5 - Board Meeting 7pm

Nov 6 - Teacher Retention  
Parent Meeting 7pm

Nov 7- FEC Monthly Meeting 8am

Nov 7 - MS Field Trip

Nov 7 - Phoenix Club Field Trip

Nov 18 - Picture Retakes

Nov 19 - SAGE Results Parent  
Meeting

Nov 20-22 - MS Production of  
'The Little Mermaid'

Nov 26-28 - Thanksgiving Break



The Halloween Parade last week was full of creative cotumes! The kids looked great!

## *A Word from the Dean*



Welcome back for another week! I hope you have all had a great week-end and Halloween! Our Halloween here at school was a lot of fun and filled with a wide range of creative costumes, the elementary parade, educational activities, class parties and of course candy. Thank you to all the faculty members and parents that made Halloween a great success at Renaissance this year!

It is now November and time to get serious in Term 2 over the next few weeks before Thanksgiving break at the end of November. We thank you for your ongoing support of your students in their learning. As we come into the busy holiday season we ask you as parents / guardian continue to encourage your students to remain focused and do their best at school and home. It is the job of all stake-holders (students, parents, faculty members) to support each of our students in their learning. Academic support at home is invaluable to each and every student. Please continue to remind and encourage your student to complete and return their homework punctually and to read as often as they can both to develop reading and comprehension skills, and to encourage a love of reading.

An important reminder this week is that we have our 'Teacher Retention Parent Meeting' scheduled for this Thursday 6th November at 7 pm.

All parents and faculty members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Please forward any questions you would like addressed at this meeting to Mr. Ursic at [mursic@renacademy.org](mailto:mursic@renacademy.org) by 3 pm on Thursday.

On another important note, the 2013-14 SAGE results were released last week. Our Renaissance Academy 2013-14 SAGE results will be rolled out over the month of November. We currently have meetings scheduled with faculty this week and next to examine the data and individual student reports are in the process of being printed. We have also scheduled a SAGE results parent meeting for Thursday 20th November at 7 pm. Individual student results reports will be distributed at this meeting. If you are unable to attend this meeting the SAGE student results reports of your student/s will be sent home the following week. This will be an important meeting to present our school results and explain the interpretation of individual results. Please put this meeting on your calendars and plan to attend if possible.

One final reminder regarding the important issue of student drop off and pick-up - Please remember to be patient, courteous and follow directions when dropping off and picking up your students from school. The most important thing during pick-up and drop off is to ensure the safety of all students, faculty, parents / guardians and members of the public. Please follow the speed limit, directions from faculty doing traffic duty, drop off/ pick-up students only from the right carpool lane and do not do a U-turn at the end of the parking lot to re-enter.

We have received some complaints from our neighbors. Please do not park in the Utah Community Credit Union or Learning Dynamics preschool parking lots. These businesses have requested we do not park in their parking lots. Out of respect for our neighbors please do not park or drop off/pick up students in either of these parking lots. Thank you.

For any additional information or with questions about any of the above mentioned meetings / issues please feel free to contact me at [smccappin@renacademy.org](mailto:smccappin@renacademy.org)

*Stephanie McCappin*  
*Dean of Students and Families*



Dear Renaissance families:

The school administration and the leadership of the Family Engagement Committee are sponsoring a parent forum to discuss the issue of teacher retention. As part of our ongoing improvement process, we've identified teacher retention as a critical success factor in the achievement of our goals for the future. We know that this issue is important to everyone who cares about the school and the quality of the education we provide.

The meeting will be held at the schoolhouse on November 6th at 7:00pm. At the meeting we would like to provide you some insight into our hiring and retention efforts, as well as hear your perspective on how we might improve those endeavors.

Thank you for your support of Renaissance and its mission. We hope you will attend the meeting and participate in the community discussion about this important issue.

Sincerely,

Family Engagement Committee leadership  
Mark Ursic  
Stephanie McCappin

# PHOENIX 200 CLUB 2014 - 2015

Congratulations to our fourth group of winning 'Phoenix 200 Club' students. The following students (as well as many others) received Phoenix Tickets as part of our Phoenix 200 Club positive behavior incentive program for being great examples, going above and beyond and making a positive contribution to our school. The Mystery Motivator this Round is a Phoenix Club Field Trip to 'Jack and Jill Lanes' American Fork next Friday, November 7th.

Xavier Herrera (Kindergarten)

Hunter Hill (1st grade)

Parker Salazar (1st grade)

Gavin Bryan (2nd grade)

Quinton Jones (2nd grade)

Makaela Golden (3rd grade)

Brennan Orten (4th grade)

Elvin Liu (4th grade)

Abril Harris (4th grade)

Aspen Gardner (5th grade)

Jane Goebel (7th grade)

Jordan Vance (7th grade)

Shaleah Hayes (8th grade)





# **Library News**

**Dear Renaissance Academy parents:**

We are in need of a few volunteers to come in and help shelve and rearrange books when we don't have classes. If you would like to volunteer please come in between the following times:

**Mon.- Wed. & Fri. 8a.m. - 10a.m.**

**Mon.-Thurs. 1p.m.- 3p.m.**

**Friday 8a.m. - 12:15p.m.**

Also, please Donate new or gently-used books to our library. We are looking for many chapter books like Junie B. Jones, Magic Tree House Series, Flanimals. Etc. We are trying to build our Junior and Youth sections with great books that you have read.

Thank you,

**Mr. Wright  
Renaissance Academy  
Library**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 5th, at 7pm in the Rousseau room.

The Board of Directors will conduct a vote regarding the addition of new Board Members and the Executive Director will address the topic of SAGE Results.

The minutes from past Board Meetings as well as agendas for upcoming meetings can be found at [http://renacademy.org/board\\_meetings.html](http://renacademy.org/board_meetings.html).

## FAMILY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The FEC Monthly Meeting will be held November 7th at 8 am in the teacher's lounge.

# LOST AND FOUND

For questions contact Kathy Brooksby: [high6@xmission.com](mailto:high6@xmission.com) or Kathie Michaelis: [michaeliskathleen@gmail.com](mailto:michaeliskathleen@gmail.com)

**Lost and Found Items for the week of Oct. 27th :**

navy BYU jacket  
navy hoodie "M. Rollins"  
navy hoodie "Silva"  
BYU hoodie 10-12  
red hoodie 5/6  
navy hoodie 7/8  
purple plaid girl's coat "Kocherhans"  
navy hoodie "Friends Schools Palestinian Ed." on the back  
girl's blue sweater- medium  
Charlotte's Web board "Celeste Walker"  
orange and blue lunch box  
BYU blue and gray hoodie  
Gymboree red hoodie 7-8  
blue bathrobe with multi-colored bows  
navy hoodie- large  
lunch box "Stetson Berry"  
navy Cherokee windbreaker  
green and blue girl's fleece jacket- 5  
girl's jeans and green shirt in a Smith's bag  
gray winter coat "Javin Thompson"  
Scooby Doo purple lunch box  
white girl's cardigan  
royal blue Nike jacket  
Columbia black jacket 6/7  
baseball mitt "Robbins"  
Mossimo gray hoodie- adult large  
navy jacket- 8  
gray Alabama t-shirt  
blue lunch bag "Boothe"

navy hoodie  
Superman cape  
white cardigan 6/6x  
red cardigan  
navy jacket 8/10  
navy hoodie 5/6  
navy hooded cardigan girl's 5  
Vans blue hoodie- large  
navy cardigan  
yellow scarf with blue and orange flowers  
black fleece hoodie with green trim  
red hair bow  
Free Country red and gray jacket  
blue fleece jacket 10/12  
brown and leopard-print coat "L. Gilchrist"  
Hello Kitty thermos  
book- "Shake Camp"  
Lego magnet