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IMPORANT DATES NOV.

11/3 MS Music Man Jr. Dress Rehearsal 3 - 5 pm
11/6 FEC Meeting 8 am (Faculty Room)
11/6 3rd grade – Natural History Museum in the classroom
11/6 MS Music Man Jr. Assembly 11 am
11/5–7 MS Music Man Jr. Performances 7 pm
   (Thursday, Friday & Saturday)
11/9–10 MS Basketball tryouts 3 – 5 pm
11/11 FEC Classic Skate Night 5:30 – 8:30 pm, FREE admission, 9151 S 255 W Sandy.
11/12 School Picture retakes
11/13 MS Service Day field trip (Performance Dress required)
11/18 4th grade field trip – Natural History Museum (Performance Dress required)
11/18 Netsmartz Internet Safety Assembly
11/19 FEC Movie Fundraiser ‘Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part II’ 7:30 pm Thanksgiving Point
11/20 5th grade ‘Thanksgiving Feast’
11/24 5th grade field trip – BYU Museum of Art (Performance Dress required)
11/25–27 THANKSGIVING BREAK

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November 2015
Dear Renaissance Parents/Guardians and Families,

Please carefully review the following information and reminders to keep yourself informed about the many activities, events and happenings at Renaissance both this week and in the near future. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns by emailing me at smccappin@renacademy.org.

GENERAL INFORMATION / REMINDERS

1. Student Pick-up and Drop-off - Safety Concerns

We are concerned by the number of parents / carpool drivers who are blatantly disregarding student safety and ‘do not enter’ signs during student drop-off and pick-up. Please review the following concerns carefully and take action.
- Cross ONLY at the crosswalk.
- Do NOT use your phone while driving (texting or phone calls)
- Be patient, courteous and observe the road signs. We are in the midst of construction surrounding the school - Please remember student safety is our top priority.
- Please DO NOT ignore our traffic aides, parent volunteers or ‘do not enter’ signs.
- Please ensure your students exit the car on the right hand side away from traffic.
- You may need to allow extra time to drop your students in the morning or when you pick them up after school.

2. Limited remaining spots available! MS Washington DC & New York City Trip (6th - 9th graders)

We are still taking deposits for our DC / NYC 6th-9th grade trip in May. Places are filling fast so if your students plans to attend please get your deposit paid asap. Contact Julie Walker directly at jwalker@renacademy.org with any questions or for more information regarding the trip itinerary, cost etc.


If you would NOT like your student to participate in the 2015-16 Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence (SAGE) please complete the Utah State required Opt-out ‘Parental Exclusion form’ for 2015-16. This form is available online at http://renacademy.org/sage.html. Please download, print and complete the form before returning it to the front office.
4. 2014-15 Individual Student SAGE Results

If you would like a printed copy of your students 2014-15 SAGE results these are available. Please send me an email at smccappin@reacademy.org with your student’s name and I will arrange for a copy of their 2014-15 SAGE results to be printed and sent home in their backpack.

5. Support of MS Students! FEC MS Trip Fundraiser – Movie Premiere ‘Hunger Games Mockingjay: Part II’ Thursday Nov. 19 7:30 pm Thanksgiving Point.

If you have not already, buy a ticket and come help our MS students earn money for their DC / NYC trip in May! Tickets are available for $16 each with all tickets purchased coming with a raffle ticket. Tickets can be purchased online at http://rafundraisers.eventzilla.net Please contact Kristin Barlow at kristin@bkbarlow.com for more information.

Ticket collection details:

a) Kristin Barlow (FEC President) will have tickets available for collection in the RA Faculty Room on Tuesday 11/17 from 7:45 – 8:15 am and 2:45 – 3:15 pm
b) Collect your tickets from the Office the day of the movie on 11/19
c) Contact Kristin Barlow at kristin@bkbarlow.com to make alternative arrangements to collect your tickets

6. FEC Meeting Agenda – Friday 11/6

Come get involved in your student’s school and support our Family Engagement Committee (FEC). Meetings are held in the faculty room at 8 am the first Friday morning of every month. Our next FEC meeting is this Friday 11/6. See below for the agenda for November.

FEC Meeting Agenda – November 6, 2015 – Schoolhouse Faculty Room
In Attendance: See attached sheet
Welcome and Call to Order: Kristin Barlow (FEC President)
Approval of Minutes: 10/2/15
Presidency Report:
*Budget: Rae Seal
Approve FEC budget
*Fundraising: Candace Lierd
Chick-Fil-A night (Oct. 20)
Hunger Games Movie Premiere
Star Wars Movie Premiere
Pizza Pie Cafe
*Coordinators: Mandi Lei

Reporting on Recent Events:
Red Ribbon Week (Oct. 20-23)

Upcoming Committee Events:
Classic Skate Night (Nov. 11)
December Food Drive (Nov. 30-Dec. 4)
Science Fair (Jan. 7)
Inspirations (Jan. 8, Jan. 15)
Battle of the Books Wonder Days (Jan. 15, 22, 29)
Spelling Bee (End of Jan.)

Discussion Items:
Contacting new families report

Next Meeting: Friday, Jan. 8, 2016 @ 8:00 in the Faculty Lounge

7. RA Student Hoodies & Zip Up Sweatshirts - $25 each

Fall is definitely here! The weather is cooling down and it is nearly time for sweatshirts, jackets and coats. RA Sweatshirts are still available for order at $25 per hoodie/sweatshirt.

Colors: Navy or Red.
Style: Pullover or Zip Up Jacket.
Sizes: Youth S, Youth M, Youth L, Youth XL, Adult S, Adult M, Adult L.

Please contact our parent volunteer Anah Wilcox at anahlou@gmail.com to place your order.
RA HAPPENINGS

4th grade performing on wonder day

5th grade field trip to the Hogle Zoo
RA HAPPENINGS

4th grade field trip to the Farm Country at Thanksgiving Point

2nd grade field trip to the Hare Krishna Temple
Renaissance Academy

Boys & Girls: 7th - 9th

Basketball

2015-2016

Nov. 9th & 10th
3:00 - 4:00 pm

Practices:
Monday - 3:00 to 4:30 pm
Friday - 2:00 to 3:30 pm

Games Schedule: TBD
November thru February

Cost: $165
Payable at
http://renacademy.eventzilla.net

Contact Info:
Travis Story (435) 590-8966
tstory@renacademy.org
Dear Renaissance Parents/Guardians,

This year we will be offering social skills development and personal boundaries education classes to all elementary students in grades Kindergarten - 4th. The lessons taught in this program are designed to promote student safety and boundaries, and teach some specific social skills elementary students may struggle with on a daily basis. We believe all of our students in K-4 would benefit from the skills taught and support provided in a social skills and boundaries education class.

Social skills training will be delivered in a group setting in the regular education classroom and will be taught by Nettie Naumann, RA School Counselor. Specific skills that we will be working on throughout the year include conversation skills (personal space, turn-taking, entering a conversation, staying on topic, etc.), perspective taking (identifying what others are thinking/feeling, etc.), play skills (how to enter a game appropriately, following rules, dealing with losing, etc.), emotion management (dealing with anger), classroom skills (raising hands, etc.), and many, many more. We will also discuss appropriate and interpersonal boundaries, and inappropriate touching.

We feel this is an important and valuable learning opportunity for your student. Please sign and return the consent slip below to your student’s classroom teacher as soon as possible. If you would NOT like your child to participate in this program please be sure to check the corresponding box below and return this form to your child’s teacher. Please do not hesitate to call or e-mail if you have any questions!

Nettie Naumann - School Counselor
Ph. 801.768.4202 ext. 5124 or nnaumann@renacademy.org

*Please Note that if we do not receive this permission slip back parental consent is assumed.

☐ Yes, I would like ___________________________ to participate in a social skills group in the 20_____/20______ school year whenever it is offered.

☐ No thank you, I am not interested at this time. I understand that I can let _________________ know if I change my mind.

Classroom teacher: ____________________________

Parent name and signature: ____________________________

Date: _______________
The most recent Phoenix Club winners went on a field trip to see the new movie *Pan*, and they had a blast!

Calling all Renaissance Families to join us at the upcoming Family Engagement Committee Meeting. It will be held this Friday, Nov. 6 @ 8:00 a.m. in the Faculty Lounge. We discuss recent activities and upcoming events. If you want to be in the know, this is the place to be! We’d love to see you there!
**FEC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Upcoming FEC Dates:**

- Hunger Games, Water Bottle and Bumper Sticker sales in front of the school (before and after school) - Thursday November 5th
- FEC Monthly Planning Meeting: Friday November 6th at 8:00 am in the Faculty Lounge
- Classic Skate Night: Wednesday November 11th from 5:30-8:30 at Classic Fun Center in Sandy
- Hunger Games Movie Premiere Event: Thursday November 19th at 7:30 at Thanksgiving Point Megaplex
- Holiday Donation Drive: November 30th - December 4th
- FEC Monthly Planning Meeting: Friday December 4th at 8:00 am in the Faculty Lounge
- Star Wars: Episode VII The Force Awakens Movie Premiere Event: Friday December 18th at The District in South Jordan, more details coming soon
- FEC Monthly Planning Meeting: Friday January 8th, 8:00 am in the Faculty Lounge
- Inspirations Entries Due: January 8th, specific details coming

**SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR is January 7, 2016.**

To celebrate Renaissance Academy’s tenth year, the science fair has been expanded in to all grades, which means we need some extra volunteers to make it a fun and rewarding experience for all of our students. Most of our volunteer needs can be completed in 3 hours or less! We are looking for help with the following:
1. Recruiting and hosting Judges
2. Refreshment Committee
3. Set up Committee
4. Clean up Committee

As the FEC liaison, Alyson Harper has more details about each volunteer opportunity, so please email her with questions at acguymon@gmail.com.

We are so excited about our 10th year Science Fair, and look forward to our biggest science fair yet!
### Renaissance Academy

**FREE Family Skate Night**

Free Admission for your whole Family

**Wednesday November 11th**

5:30-8:30 PM

Rollin’Fun For the Whole Family

Sponsored by the Renaissance Academy F.E.C.

- **Skate Rental:** $1.00
- **Blades Rental:** $3 and up
- **Scooters:** $3

- **Discount Activities**
  - **Available**
  - **Only $3 each:**
    - Bounce Zone, Blast Zone,
    - Jungle Climb, 3D Laser Tag
    - or $5 for 3 Hour unlimited Wristband

- **$3 Dinner Deal Available**
  - Nachos or Pizza and Drink OR Hotdog, Chips and Drink

9151 S. 255. W.  Sandy  801-568-9781

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### LOST AND FOUND

Come and check out the lost and found items located in the gym. We will post pictures of most lost items on Facebook. Remember to please label all jackets and lunch boxes.

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### ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Are you logging your hours? Please pop into the front office before heading to your volunteering! Use the laptop to select you name and sign in. We need to have you sign in for safety reasons, and The program will automatically track your hours throughout the year for you! Next month we will have a raffle for Volunteer of the Month from the names of people who log hours throughout this month!! (If you would like to log past hours from home go to www.helpcounter.net/volunteer)
FEC ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY PART 2

Thursday November 19th
7:30 PM
Megaplex at Thanksgiving Point

Tickets will be on Sale THIS WEEK

Thursday November 5th
7:45am-8:30am AND 2:30pm-3:30pm

Each Ticket Includes:
Reserved Seating
1 Raffle Ticket
Movie Snack for each ticket holder
wearing a movie themed costume

All proceeds will be donated to the Middle School
Star Wars: Episode VII: The Force Awakens
Tickets will be on sale SOON!
Mark your calendars- Friday December 18th

Follow us on Facebook for ticket information:
The Official Renaissance Academy FEC
October 13, 2015

Dear Principal and Art Department Representative,

The Nemelka Family of Mapleton is pleased to sponsor the 30th Annual Christmas Lamb Art Show at the Springville Museum of Art. This exhibition will be on view at the Museum in the Ingrid F. Nemelka Gallery from December 5, 2015 through January 3, 2016. The Museum will select a number of works to be included in the exhibition. Of those selected for display, a small number will be chosen for cash prizes! Please note: In previous years all works in the exhibition received cash prizes. To allow more art in the show, those selected for awards will receive cash prizes. Most of the exhibited works will not receive a cash prize.

This competition is open to students living within Utah Valley. We ask for your support in announcing and publicizing this upcoming exhibition. Many schools offer this to students along with similar events such as the PTA Reflections Art Contest and allow students to enter one or both at their parents’ discretion. Works for this show should be of a spiritual theme and reflect the spirit of giving associated with the holiday season (Santa Claus images are discouraged). The works will be juried by the SMA Education staff. The works are to be original and individually conceived by the students, rather than class projects. No works will be considered if they contain glitter, candy, glued-on beans, macaroni or similar material that tend to fall off when handled or invite bugs into the Museum.

Teachers may bring entries to the Museum from Tuesday through Friday, November 10-13, 2015, 10 am to 5 pm. As a result of the growing popularity of this show, we ask each school to limit their entries to no more than 100. Each student is limited to one entry. Please be sure to include the artist’s first and last name, home phone number, grade, school, and teacher’s name on the back of the artwork.

A list of accepted works will be posted on smofa.org on November 20, 2015. We will phone each award winner’s home to invite them to the award ceremony. Students in the exhibition who do not receive awards will not receive a personal phone call; however, all exhibiting artists along with their families and teachers, are invited to join us for the reception on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 11:00am. You are also invited to visit the Museum during regular hours throughout December to see the selected works on display. Artwork should be picked up by January 29, 2016. Art will not be retained after January 2016.

We look forward to working with you on this special project. If you have any questions, please refer to www.smofa.org or call (801) 489-2727.

Sincerely,

Jessica R. Weiss
Head of Education