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RAPTOR PARENT TIP OF THE MONTH:

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED

As an administrative and office team, we are striving to be more communicative to allow you, as parents, to be as involved as possible. Here are some ways that we will inform you about important school information:

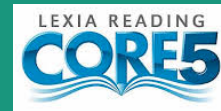
- 1.) This monthly **newsletter**, which includes a **PTA page**
- 2.) Our **website**:
<https://thunderridge.alpineschools.org/>
- 3.) Our **calendar** on our website: click on individual events to see more information
- 4.) Update your information on **Skyward** so that we have accurate phone and email contacts.
- 5.) Occasionally, Mrs. Jensen or Mrs. Rincon will send out a School Messenger **email** or **phone message** with pertinent information.
- 6.) **Monday Memo** each week!
- 7.) **Ask!** Kathy, Pam, and Sarah, our friendly front office staff, are happy to help :)

WELCOME!

We are so excited to have seven new teachers join our Thunder Ridge Family! They all bring special talents and expertise to their teams. We are confident that they will be loved by our students! Please welcome:

- Courtney Brotherson, 3rd
- Rachel Everitt, Kindergarten
- Koreen Humphries, Kindergarten
- Dayna Peterson, 3rd
- Jessica Porter, 6th
- Andrea Salvania, Kindergarten
- Elizabeth Simpson, 5th

LEXIA IS BACK!!!



Because our amazing Raptors did such a great

job with their work on Lexia last year, we have it as a resource again! Lexia is an online program that individualizes literacy instruction for each student. Students will be assigned a certain amount of minutes a week to complete lessons at school or at home. Your teachers can answer more questions about this program. We are grateful to have this support for students, parents, and teachers!

<https://www.lexiacore5.com/>

KEY DATES

August 7th-8th: First Grade Testing

August 7th: Student Leadership Camp

For members of Student Council, HOPE Squad, and Recess Team. Contact Mrs. Rincon with questions.

August 17th: Meet Your Teacher Extravaganza 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Come meet your new teachers in their classroom, learn about PTA and extracurricular activities in gym, and enjoy a Rockin' Recess on the blacktop.

August 20th: First Day of School for 1st-6th

August 21st-24th: Kindergarten Individual Assessments

August 27th: First Day of School for Kindergarten

August 31st: Back to School Night 5:15-7:15 p.m.

PTA meeting and then 20 minute rotations in classrooms to learn more about the day to day life of your children.

THANKS!

Our amazing custodial staff has been working hard all summer to help our school look new and welcoming. Thanks to Corey, Chad, Cody, Addie, Francesca!

FAQ'S

What time does school start?

A track: 8:00 a.m.-2:15 p.m.
B Track: 9:15a.m.- 3:30 p.m.
AM Kinder: 9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
PM Kinder: 12:35 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

What happens on Mondays?

Students get out an hour early so teachers can collaborate.

A track: 1:15 p.m.
B Track & PM Kinder: 2:30 p.m.
AM Kindergarten: no change

When does my child have recess and lunch?

Lunch Schedule 2018-2019

Grade (Teachers)	Recess	Wash Bell	Lunch
3rd (4 classes)	10:55-11:11	11:11	11:13-11:30
6th (3 classes)	11:10-11:26	11:26	11:28-11:45
1st (4 classes)	11:18-11:33	11:33	11:35-11:55
4th (3 classes)	11:33-11:49	11:49	11:51-12:08
5th (3 classes)	11:42-11:58	11:58	12:00-12:17
2nd (3 classes)	11:53-12:08	12:08	12:10-12:30
SMG (3 classes)			12:20-12:50
Giant Steps			12:25-12:50

What do I do if my child is sick and I need to excuse an absence?

- ▶ Call the office at (801)610-8727
- ▶ Email: putykanski@alpinedistrict.org

Why do I need to come to the office and show I.D. when checking out my child?

We have your child's safety in mind. As per ASD policy, please be prepared to come in with your I.D. Thanks!



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MRS. JENSEN

Hello Thunder Ridge Families!

We are so excited to begin another school year. The building has been far too quiet this summer and we are ready to welcome all of our students back!

As we think about how best to prepare our students for a very successful future, we have considered the following quote: *We are currently preparing students for jobs that don't yet exist...using technologies that haven't yet been invented...in order to solve problems we don't even know are problems yet.* --Richard Riley, Secretary of Education under President Clinton

Alpine School District has created a vision for learning that includes knowledge, skills, and dispositions. We are embracing this vision and preparing to teach:

- Knowledge- essential standards in Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies and the Arts
- Skills- competencies such as critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and communication
- Dispositions- character and citizenship with a focus on who we are becoming

Our motto is "Know! Do! Be!"

See you all soon!

IMPORTANT LINKS

Lunch Menu: <https://alpineschools.nutrislice.com/menu/thunder-ridge>

Thunder Ridge: <https://thunderridge.alpineschools.org>

Lexia: <https://www.lexiacore5.com>

Alpine School District: <https://alpineschools.org/>

Skyward:

<https://skyward.alpinedistrict.org/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsEApplus/seplog01>