



WEEKLY UPDATE  
9.15.17

## Head of School Message - Ms. Martha

The second week of school has everyone adjusting to routine and making friends. As adults, perhaps we can relate as an example, when we start a new job. There is stress, and excitement and perhaps some mistakes. Children need the same grace and understanding that we may give ourselves. They need time to adjust, test the boundaries, make connections and relationships. It is vital to continue that communication and build trust with the adults as well. We are all in this journey together!

## No School on October 2

There will be no school on Monday, October 2 in order for our staff to participate in inservice activities.

## Apparel - New Colors Available!

As a reminder, orders for RPMS wear are due online **by October 15**.

Please use the following link to view/order school clothing:

<https://www.companycasuals.com/rockprairie/start.jsp>



Please note that clicking on each category will open more options, and clicking on each product will give more details about that item.

## Picture Day is coming!

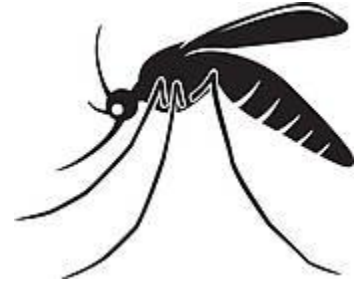


This fall's picture days are the mornings of **Wednesday, October 11** (Sunflower Toddler, Geranium Toddler and Elementary) and **Thursday, October 12** (all Children's House classrooms). A preferences form has been placed in mailboxes, so you can choose your background and/or sign up to photograph siblings together. *Sibling photos will be mixed in between the two days depending on schedules and you will be notified of your day - though please mark on your form if you prefer a day for your*

*sibling portraits.* **Please Note:** If your child does not normally attend on the day his/her class is scheduled for Picture Day, please plan to bring your child for their teacher's designated time slot to get their individual/classroom photos taken.

## Mosquitos love us!

We all love Rock Prairie Montessori and the mosquitos seem to be in agreement. With the warmer temps, the mosquitos will be hanging around a touch longer. Some sort of bug repellent would be helpful and we even have some left over here from the summer if you do not have any at home. If your child is here all day, please feel free to fill out one of our medication forms, authorizing us to apply the repellent to your child.



## Referral Bonus

Know someone that is curious about Rock Prairie Montessori School? We want to remind our families that we offer a \$250 bonus for referrals. The bonus will be paid after the new student been enrolled for a full school year.

# EVENTS

## Finding Events

Besides our weekly update, events are also posted on our [online Parent Google Calendar](#).

**Montessori Beginnings starts** - September 19

**Culver's Scoopie Night** - September 26, 4:00-8:00 pm

**Coats for Kids Winterwear Donation Drive** - September 22-October 16 (bin will be in the vestibule)

**No School** - Staff Inservice Day

**Picture Days** - October 11 (TH/Elem) and 12 (CH), 8:30-11:30 am *More info coming soon!*

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## Family Volunteer Hours

RPMS families are asked to contribute 10 volunteer hours before the end of April 2018. Parent meetings, parent education events, and conferences are included in these hours; double attendance means double the hours! Always refer to the Weekly Update for volunteer opportunities. Families can log their volunteer hours in the binder found in the school foyer, or online at: <http://bit.ly/Vol1718>. *Any unfulfilled hours will be invoiced at \$10/hour after April..*

## Selling Scrip Cards at School

We are in need of volunteers to sell Scrip cards on school days, during the busy times of day. This helps us stay in compliance with the IRS in having the majority of the program run by volunteers. Tasks include taking orders for inventory/non-inventory stock, taking money, and distributing in-stock cards. Help is always right across the hall in the front office!

**To sign up for shifts in September, please go to:**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-scrip1](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-scrip1)

**To sign up for shifts in October, please go to:**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-scrip2](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-scrip2)

## Culvers Scoopie Night

We have four Scoopie Night fundraisers for the year, with our first taking place on **Tuesday, September 26**, from 4 to 8 pm. We are looking for adult servers for **one-hour shifts**. And of course, your kids are welcome to help! This is a fun way to get your volunteer hours in and get some pics for the memory books! Even if you can't volunteer, swing by for dinner or a dessert, and part of the proceeds go back to RPMS. Yum!

**For Tuesday, September 26 event:**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers10](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers10)

**(really need a couple folks to help with the 7 to 8 time slot!)**



Would you like to sign up for a Culvers Scoopie night, but can't make it to the September 26 event? The next three are also posted and ready for volunteers to sign up:

**For Monday, Nov. 13 event:**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers11](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers11)

**For Wednesday, Jan. 24 event:**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers12](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers12)

**For Tuesday, April 24 event:**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers13](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AE2BA2F94-culvers13)

## Attention Amazon Shoppers!

Shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and Amazon will donate to Rock Prairie Montessori Inc! No expiration date, no special products to buy. Simply start your Amazon shopping trip at: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1782889> and Amazon donates.

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