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Welcome Back Dos Rios Families!

August, 2016

This is starting out to be a fabulous year! Kuddos to you for providing a healthy, growing summer and the framework for which our teachers can work from! We are looking forward to our first Wolf Pup Rally so that you can share with us your hopes and dreams for your child and together we can create achievable goals so they are able to attain those hopes and dreams.

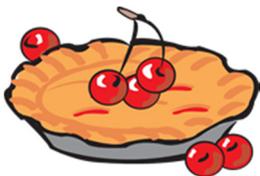
We owe a big round of thanks to PTO and all of you who bought pies or brought box tops in because that is how we got our new marquee. We are already noticing that it is a valuable communication tool.

Our parking lot is not designed well! So, we the adults have to make it work. I will be sending out a flyer highlighting traffic patterns and Dos Rios expectations so please watch your child's take home flyer.

Thank you for making this the best year I have started in my 30 years with the district!

If you have any questions, or you just want to say hi, please call or stop by. I look forward to serving you!

Vernann Raney



## PIE Sale Kick-Off

We are excited to have had our pie sale kick-off on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Money to be returned by September 12<sup>th</sup> by 4:00pm. **No late entries please. Remember that they are frozen and will have to be picked up and delivered on November 11<sup>th</sup>.**

### Dates to Remember:

August	26	-	Pie Sales Fundraiser Kick-Off
September	1	-	Wolf Pup Rally 5-7
	1	-	Gifted and Talented Information Meeting @4:30
	2	-	No School (Teacher Inservice)
	5	-	No School - Labor Day
	6	-	No School - Planning Day
	12	-	Pie Sales \$ due by 4:00 pm
	13	-	Watch Dog Pizza Night 5-7 pm.
	21	-	Picture Day
	28	-	PTO Social-2:30 Lunchroom



## **Wolf Pup Rally**

Come join us on September 1<sup>st</sup>, for our Wolf Pup Rally from 5-7 pm. Food, fun and goal setting!

### Parent Notice

As a parent of a student at Dos Rios, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teacher who instructs your child. This is a requirement for all districts that receive Title 1 funds. Federal law allows you to request certain information about your student's classroom teacher. The law also requires the district to give you this information in a timely manner upon request. Listed below is the information about which you have the right to ask for regarding each of your student's classroom teachers.

- Whether the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) has licensed or endorsed your student's teacher for the grades and subjects taught.
- Whether CDE has decided that your student's teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under state regulations because of special circumstances.
- The teacher's college major; whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, and, if so, the subject of the degrees.
- Whether any teachers' aides or similar para-educators provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications.

Please contact Mrs. Raney at 254-7910 if you would like to receive any of this information.

### Meet our New Teachers:



Miss Grabina (Staci) is our new third grade teacher. She is originally from New York and has been teaching for 10 years. She loves exercising, reading, animals, especially dogs and cats (she has a cat named Bentley), traveling and volunteering. She is new to the Grand Valley and is exploring her new home state.

Miss Weyer (Kelly) is our new fourth grade teacher. She is from California but she is not new to Grand Junction. Kelly loves hiking and camping with her dog Finn. She has been teaching for 10 years. She is excited to be at Dos Rios and to be teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

# Watch D.O.G.S.

(Dads Of Great Students)

The Watch DOGS program is a nationwide program established to increase male role models in school and enhance school security. This program began in 1998 and has grown to include almost 5,000 schools and in 46 states.

Dos Rios has our own Watch D.O.G.S. program and needs your help. Please join us on **September 13 at 5:00-7:00** for our Pizza Party kick-off event for this year!

**Alicia Tinkle/Brenda Verna**  
Student Support Coordinators



## *PTO Social*

We would like to invite all Dos Rios Parents to our PTO Social. This is a new opportunity to learn what is going on at our school. We will also focus on topics that you would like to learn more about.

Please join us for our PTO Social on **September 28<sup>th</sup>** at **2:30am** in the Lunchroom.

### **PTO Officers:**

**President-Rhonda Solis**

**Vice President-Dennis Solis**

**Secretary-Nancy Clayton**

**Treasurer-Angela Brandon**

**Volunteer Coordinator-Julie Flores**



### **Attention Parents**

The automatic door opener, across from the office identified by a handicap symbol, is intended to assist those that need help coming in and out of the school. Please instruct your children to not play with the opener when entering or exiting the school. We so much appreciate your help!

### **Health Guidelines**

For students that take medication during the school day, we will dispense medications at school. All medication must be accompanied by a "Request for Medications to Be Given at School" form. If the medication is a prescription medicine, a doctor's signature and a parent signature is required. You are welcome to pick up a form in the school office and have the doctor fax it to our office at 255-8504. Medications must come to us in original packaging. We will not accept them in a baggie, envelope, or your child's pocket.

All medications must be collected by a parent at the end of the year or it will be thrown away.



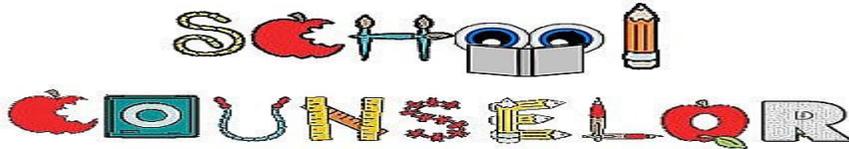
### **FROM THE OFFICE**

Just a reminder that children may **NOT** arrive to school before 8:25 AM. There is no supervision for children before that time. Teachers are in meetings, getting ready for their day, etc. before 8:25 AM. If you need to send your child to school before 8:25 AM, Extended Hours is available. Just call 241-3603 for more information. Breakfast is served starting at 8:25 AM. Breakfast is free to all of our students, so please feel free to send your child to school for breakfast.



## Box Tops

Remember to clip and collect Box tops! You can find Box Tops on many of the products you will be using for Dinners and parties. For a list of participating products Go to [BTFE.com](http://BTFE.com) Thank you for your support!



Hello my name is Patricia Shepard. I am in my third year at Dos Rios as the school counselor. I feel that sometimes parents wonder what an elementary counselor does. My job is to support your child in the needs of social and emotional wellness so that they can be their best self, both academically and socially. I do so in numerous ways. These include:

Teach classroom Guidance 30 minutes-Twice a month

**Support teachers with any needs they have with students.**

In the Guidance classes for 30 minutes, I will be doing 7 Habits of Happy Kids with 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade in which is embedded in the following content.

**Academic:** Goal setting, organization and test taking strategies.

**Personal/Social:** Conflict resolution, making and keeping friends, leadership, health/wellness.

**Career:** Time management, working in groups and self-awareness.

In 5<sup>th</sup> grade we will be working on a set curriculum that is through the district which is "Riding the Wave" (lessons for identifying and coping with stress).

The days I am at Dos Rios are Tuesday, Friday and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. My number is 254-7910 ext. 46158 and email [Patty.shepard@d51school.org](mailto:Patty.shepard@d51school.org).

## TARDIES

Students will be marked tardy when the final bell rings at 8:50 AM and after the door is shut for afternoon kindergarten. Students must report to the office before going to class. Five (5) unexcused tardies is equal to one (1) unexcused absence.

It is beneficial to your child's learning, if early pick-ups can be avoided. Please don't pull your child from class to "Beat the Rush".

Early pick-ups are the same as tardies and after (five) will be considered one (1) unexcused absences. Excessive tardies and early pickups will need to be addressed.