

Rooney Report

May 2021



Events:

- ⇒ April 30th-May 2nd: Virtual Dream Big Color Run!
- ⇒ May 3rd-May 7th: Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
- ⇒ May 5th: School Nurse Appreciation Day
Erin's Law Virtual Presentations (3rd grade)
- ⇒ May 6th & May 7th: Erin's Law Virtual Presentations (2nd grade)
- ⇒ May 7th: PBIS Fun Day—Crazy Hair Day & Recess Upgrade!
- ⇒ May 10th-May 21st: Spring MAP Testing
- ⇒ May 14th: PBIS Fun Day—Pajama Day & Movie Madness!
- ⇒ May 21st: PBIS Fun Day—Beach Day & Water Fun!
- ⇒ May 27th: 5th Grade Recognition Drive-Thru 6-7pm
- ⇒ May 28th: PBIS Fun Day—Sports Team Apparel & Dunk Tank!
- ⇒ **May 31st: Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL**
- ⇒ June 1st: Final Stretch Fun—SnoCones!
- ⇒ June 2nd: Final Stretch Fun—Popcorn!
- ⇒ June 3rd: Final Stretch Fun—Field Day, Tug-of-War & Cotton Candy!
Last Day of School for Students
End of Quarter 4—Report card distribution

Moving? New phone number?
We can help update your contact information over the summer, too!
Log in to Skyward to update your profile, or contact the Rooney Office!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Some people say that May is busier than December. I'd have to agree as I look at the calendar. Please be sure you mark your calendar with the events which are listed above.

Please know that we have much yet to accomplish with students prior to the end of the school year. To that note, please partner with staff to send the message to your child that each day matters. Staff continue planning engaging lessons; they have high expectations of themselves and of your child.

A few items of importance I'd like to share:

- A HUGE thank you to our wonderful PTO for planning a wonderful Staff Appreciation Week for May 3-7!
- With temperatures warming up, please consider sending your student to school with a labeled, reusable water bottle. As you remember, we are not able to use our drinking fountains this school year, but we are able to use the bottle refilling stations. As you'll recall, our PTO provided each student with an orange Rooney water bottle in the Fall.
- Our virtual STEAM Night link was posted to Skyward last Tuesday, April 27th. If you and your child participated in the virtual activities, please be sure to complete the short survey, which you can access on Skyward by clicking the link. The full link is:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1WeN84EjonyWLWsMT47Mpc07Is_fe1h_ZG0coztAYq5U/present#slide=id.g733e55cd3e_0_62

Lastly, please encourage your child to do his/her best on the upcoming NWEA MAP Assessment. This is the assessment that students take three times per year. Talk to your child about his/her goal for the Spring NWEA MAP Assessment. The testing window is May 10-21. It's extra important to be sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a hearty breakfast. Your encouragement to give their best will also make a positive difference!

Respectfully,

Melanie R. Schrand, Principal

Rooney Elementary

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Rooney's Race to the Finish!

The Rooney PBIS Team, PTO and staff have collaborated to make the end of the school year loads of fun for our Foxes! There are activities planned for every Friday in the month of May and the "Final Stretch" in June (June 3rd is the last day of school).

Here's what we have planned:

May 7th: Crazy Hair Day and Recess Upgrade!

Students and staff can wear their hair in a crazy way, and there will be sidewalk chalk, bubbles and other outside fun at recess!

May 14th: Pajama Day and Movie Madness!

Students and staff can wear pajamas to school, and will enjoy a movie in the classroom!

May 21st: Beach Day & Water Fun!

Students and staff can wear beach-y themed gear (bright colors, sunglasses, hats, or bring a beach towel). *No swimsuits!*

At recess: Water balloon toss, sponge relay race, and water squirters for those who'd like to participate!

May 28th: Sports Team Apparel & Dunk Tank!

Students and staff can wear a shirt or jersey of their favorite sports team. We will have a Dunk Tank at Rooney, and each student will get 1 throw to try and dunk a staff member! Students can purchase additional throws for 10 Fox Tails, or spend their Fox Tails at the Fox Den!

June 1st: SnoCones!

Kicking off the last week of school with SnoCones for all Foxes!

June 2nd: Popcorn Party!

We will deliver a popcorn party to each classroom!

June 3rd: Cotton Candy!

Our last day of school—Classes will spend some time outside and out on the field, playing a friendly (and socially distanced!) game of tug-of-war and enjoying a sweet treat! What better way to close out the year?!

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**Yearbooks are now available for order!
Place your order at:**

**Ybpay.lifetouch.com
Yearbook ID Code:
14070821**

**Order Deadline:
May 28th**

Rooney Elementary PTO Updates

Would you like to make a donation, or join the PTO?

<https://QPS.REVTRAK.NET/PTA-PTO>
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