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Riverdale/Kingsbridge Academy MS/HS 141

Principal's Newsletter



Upcoming Dates

NYS ELA Exam-328 through 3/30

RKA Roar Film Festival—4/1-2:00-3:30 PM

General PA Meeting—4/3 --07:00 PM

HS Foreign Language Awards—4/4—8:30 AM

PSAT/SAT Day — grades 10 & 11—4/5

RCC Youth Expo—4/6 —6:15 PM

Poetry Café—4/7—AM & PM

Spring Recess—4/10 through 4/18

School Leadership Team Meeting—4/20—2:45 PM

Coffee w/the Principal —4/21—7:45-8:20 AM

Yankee Game Fundraiser —4/30—1:05 PM

HS Social Studies Awards—4/25—2:45 PM

RCC Teen Theater—4/28 & 4/29—7:00 PM

A Message from Ms. O'Mara

Spring is here, and we're as busy as ever! First off, I must personally thank our Parents' Association for their hard work in organizing and presenting their first-ever RKA Fundraising Gala! It was a huge success, and everyone had a great time. I'd like to also thank the RKA parents and staff who turned out for lovely refreshments and to bid on many great items. And I must not forget our local elected officials who came out in force to support it, and who will be enjoying the lunches and tours they generously put up for bids. The next event is the RKA Roar Film Festival on April 1st, where we will enjoy a celebratory viewing of our talented students' work!

The New York State ELA exam is on March 28th, 29th, and 30th for grades six through eight. Please make sure your middle schooler gets a good night's sleep each evening, and has a good breakfast to carry them through the morning. A prompt arrival is extra-important on these days, as is coming prepared with two sharpened #2 pencils. Looking ahead, the New York State Mathematics exam is scheduled for May 2nd through May 4th.

Just a couple of weeks until Spring Recess (April 10th through April 18th). Let's hope for warm weather and blooming flowers!

Lori O'Mara

Parents' Association Auction Gala



It was a great evening at the RKA PA Auction Gala. Thanks to the generosity of our parents and school community and the hard work of key PA members, it was a huge success! All our elected officials joined us and even donated lunch and tours of their respective headquarters! Senator Jeffrey Klein and City Council Member Andrew Cohen brought a handsome check for \$800,000.00 that will go toward the RKA auditorium renovation. Pizza parties with Mr. Edmond and

Mr. Lepetit set off a bidding war! Thanks to everyone who donated and everyone who came out on a wintry night!



******College Days!******

Thanks to generous BOOST grant funding from State Senator Jeff Klein, we have been able to provide our high school students of all ages the opportunity to tour college campuses. Check out the 11th grade at Lafayette College and Temple University!



SPOONS 'n TOONS

Cap'n Crunch and classic cartoons—that was the theme of the last Tiger Token party! Students who amassed enough Tokens for displaying good school citizenship enjoyed a fun morning—served by their teachers and me!

“March Into Reading” continues! Stay tuned...



Pi Day!



It was a snow day on 3/14, so we celebrated "Pi Day" a day late! But it didn't matter, as students and our math faculty had a ball! Students were called upon to answer math-related questions, and those who had the "right stuff" got the chance to...well you guessed it. We had some pretty messy math teachers by the end!

Mr. Marinelli

In Sports...

Congratulations to the Wrestling Team (pictured) who made a great showing in the New York City Championships. The Girls' AND the Boys' Basketball Teams BOTH made it to the playoff this year, too. Kudos to all on a great winter sports season!



RKA's got TALENT!



Parents!

There's still time to fill out your Learning Environment Survey! Didn't get yours? Contact JPrince4@schools.nyc.gov Deadline: March 31st

Middle School Dance

"A Trip Around the World!"

