



# The Raven Reporter

## Principal's News Flash:

Dear Parents:

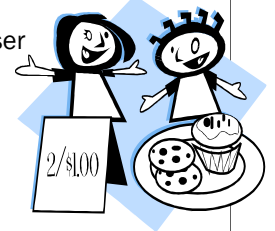
This will be our last issue of the Raven Reporter for this school year. Please check our web site over the summer for updates on registration and beginning of school activities for August. Our library will be open Tuesdays during the summer. Mrs. Almanza has planned some great activities for families to participate in. A schedule of events was sent out in April. Check our web site if you have misplaced your copy of the library activities.

I wanted to give you some information regarding the fundraisers that have taken place during the school year, and what we have spent money on. The PTO has worked closely with the school to fulfill some needed requests. The following is a list of what has been purchased, or will be over the summer.

Risers for the music room	\$2,587 from Cookie Dough Fundraiser
Snacks for testing	\$2,587 from PTO fund raisers
Breakfast during testing for all 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade students	\$235 from Sally Foster fund raiser
Book room leveled books	\$320 from PTO
Picnic Tables and Umbrellas	\$1000 from PTO
Landscaping in front of the School	\$700 from Cookie Dough Fund raiser
Funds to support summer library	\$250 from Cookie Dough Fund raiser
PE Equipment	\$650 from Sally Foster fund raiser
DJ for 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Dance	\$380 Box Tops
Refreshments for 5 <sup>th</sup> Promotion	\$200 Sally Foster fund raiser
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Theme Unit	\$170 Cookie Dough fund raiser
Jumpers for PBS Assembly	\$100 Sally Foster
Tutoring Snacks	\$150 Entertainment Books
Riso Copy Machine	\$200 Sally Foster fund raiser
Materials for glass mural	\$1385 Entertainment Books
Gasoline blower for school	\$250 Entertainment Books
	\$168 from Entertainment Books

We want to thank you for all your support during the school year with fundraisers. Next year we would like to focus on at least 2 shade structures for each playground. Have a safe summer with your families. We look forward to a much easier start of the school year in August - it seems like having only one campus will be a breeze!

Lavonna Archuleta (Reminder: Our dismissal bell rings at 11:10 on the last day of school!)



### Dates To Remember

- **May 4th—8th:** Book Fair
- **May 9th:** Letter Carrier's Annual Food Drive
- **May 11th:** Raven Rhapsody Concert 6:30
- **May 14th:** Play Day (hosted by Coach Dunbar)! Please remember to wear sunscreen!
- **May 14th:** Fifth Grade Musical 6:30
- **May 15th:** Spring BBQ
- **May 21st:** Fifth Grade Promotion Ceremony 9:00-10:30 in gym
- **May 21st:** All students will take personal items home. No backpacks on last day of school. Report Cards will be sent home.
- **May 22nd:** Last Day of School! **Our dismissal bell will ring at 11:10 a.m.**
- **CAE Summer Library times:** Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 (calendar of events posted on our website)
- **June 1st-June 26th:** Summer Enrichment Institute
- **July 28th, 29th:** Registration for next school year. Check our website!

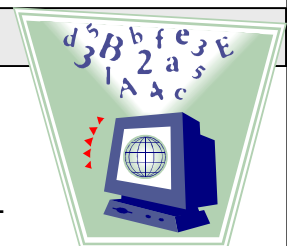
### New Student Information System!

Rio Rancho Public Schools will be using a new student information system, PowerSchool, starting this fall.

PowerSchool is a web-based system that will contain all of our student information including attendance, scheduling, grading, emergency information, parent/guardian information and health records.

Parents of middle and high schools will receive more information regarding the implementation and the replacement of ParentConnect by the end of 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

We are excited to launch this new system and ask for your patience as we work the bugs out!



We're on the Web! <http://www.rpps.net/NewElementa/cieloazul/index.htm>



Looking for summer activities to keep your child's mind active? Be sure to check out our "Student Page" on our website. There are links to a variety of math games, science games, and reading practice! Also, check the teacher pages for summer activity suggestions and school supply lists for next school year.

Letter Carrier's Annual Food Drive is happening May 9th. Please donate non-perishable items to help stamp out hunger for millions of suffering families!



## Upcoming Library Events!

### Summer Library at Cielo Azul!

This summer on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to 12:00 our school library will be open for summer check out. There will be a story time and craft projects, plus time to spend reading in our beautiful library. The calendar of events is posted on our website.

## Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program



Big Brothers Big Sisters is a national youth mentoring organization who matches children ages 6-15 with adult mentors. Once

matched, they meet 4-8 hours each month doing fun things out in the community together. They may hang out, chat, go to the park or a ball game, or whatever activities they choose to enjoy. Mentoring helps kids in many ways. If you are a parent or grandparent and are raising a child alone, consider Big Brothers Big Sisters! If you want to help a child by becoming a mentor, consider Big Brothers Big Sisters! Together we can help children succeed. Contact Big Brothers Big Sisters at 837-9223 or visit us on the web at [www.InspireAChildToDream.org](http://www.InspireAChildToDream.org).

### Rio Rancho Public Schools Summer Enrichment Institute (SEI) – Discovering the Southwest

**Who:** Current K-4 students  
**When:** June 1 – June 26, 2009  
 Monday – Friday  
 9: am – 12 noon  
**Where:** Ernest Stapleton Elementary 3100 8th Avenue, Rio Rancho

In partnership with RRPS S.A.F.E. Program (Optional for SEI participants only)  
 For more information, get a flyer from your Elementary School office, or go to [www.rpps.net](http://www.rpps.net)

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

### Our Parents and Our Community!

Thank you for making the first year of Cielo Azul a huge success! We appreciate your support and patience! We made it through, and will continue to SOAR! Have a great summer!



**WOW!**

## News From the Office:

\*\*\*A limited number of yearbooks are available in our office for \$25 each!

Mark your calendars! The Fifth Grade Promotion Ceremony will be held on May 21st in the gym from 9:00-10:30! Bring your cameras!



**PLAY DAY –** Coach Dunbar will be hosting "Play Day" on May 14. Grades 3-5 will be outside from 9:00-10:45 and K-2 will be outside from 1:30-3:00. He will need at least 2 parents from each classroom to help with the stations. Please help prepare for this event by ensuring your child wears sunscreen and brings a water bottle. Thank you!

Parents, please remember to update your address and telephone numbers before the end of the school year so we can send information to you regarding registration for next year!



### Health Office News

If you sent in medication for your child this year (i.e. inhaler, Tylenol, Motrin, etc.) please remember to stop by the health office and pick it up. We are unable to send any medication home with your child. Any medication that is not picked up by Friday, May 22nd will be discarded. Please call the health office if you have any questions at 338-2320 ext 514.