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An Update from the Administration

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Greetings RPS Community,

We hope our families are doing well, as we all look toward Thanksgiving.

Just a reminder that the next virtual Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m., and the district will be closed next week for the holiday with a half-day on Wednesday and closed on Thursday and Friday. We hope that our families take these couple of extra days to spend quality time with one another safely.

The second episode of "60 Seconds With the Superintendent" was released this week. [Check it out here](#) to learn the latest and greatest RPS news and to stay up-to-date with the district's administrative goals.

The district is also offering daily bagged meals - breakfast, lunch and dinner - to all children of Roselle. Meals can be picked up at the Abraham Clark High School cafeteria, located at 122 E. 6th Ave., between 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. during the week.

We are proud to report that our principals, teachers and staff continue to find innovative and fun ways to stay connected with our students. This week at the Roselle Public Schools was certainly an exciting one.

Our Preschool partnered with the Kindergarten Success Academy (KSA) to create a joint parent-teacher group to help promote parent and community involvement within our schools. KSA students virtually joined our preschoolers on Friday for a live magic show, via YouTube, with local magician Brian Richards.

The two schools have also joined forces to meet the needs of our community by hosting a joint food drive. Non-perishable goods are being collected through Nov. 23 at the KSA and all food will be donated to local community pantries. Anyone interested in contributing to this effort is encouraged to contact Ms. Benson at 908-416-4142.

The KSA will also be hosting a Harvest Festival Pumpkin Pick-up/ Drive-by next Monday through Wednesday. The school will be giving out pumpkins, decorating kits, juice and apple cider as part of a decorating contest that students can enjoy over the brief holiday break. Students are asked to submit pictures of their festive pumpkins by Monday, Nov. 30. You can bet some of the best pumpkins will appear on our social media!

Washington Elementary School has created an engaging reading program which allows students in upper grades to read books to those in the grades below them. Recently, a third-grade student read "The First Strawberries" to some second grade students and inspired those students to be guest readers for a first grade class, according to school counselor Jason Robbins.

"By having older students read books to younger students, we are able to provide opportunities for students to interact with other children, while demonstrating how to be cooperative, responsible, and self-confident," he added.

Grace Wilday Junior High School teachers collaborated this week to ensure parents receive additional training on the use of Schoology and Genesis. The parent training was held in the evenings and were offered in English, Spanish and Haiti Creole.

"The teachers did an awesome job and we appreciate them supporting the students and the parents," said Principal Tomeeko Hunt.

In honor of Kindness Week, Leonard V. Moore Middle School students created "links for love," which will be sent to Kids for Peace, a non-profit that empowers and mobilizes youth to create peace through hands-on service, global friendships and thoughtful acts of kindness. The links that were created will be added to others submitted from around the world.

In other news, Harrison Elementary School held its online Scholastic Book Fair this week. Meanwhile, administrators were busy packing and distributing supply bags to all students so that they have the materials necessary for marking period 2, ensuring that all students have what they need at home to be successful.

We want to take this time to wish our entire RPS community a happy and healthy Thanksgiving. There is much to be thankful for this year: We are extra grateful for our extremely dedicated and hardworking administrators, staff, parents, students and everyone who has supported our district during this challenging year.

Staysafe and Roselle strong, and remember "ALL STUDENTS MATTER",

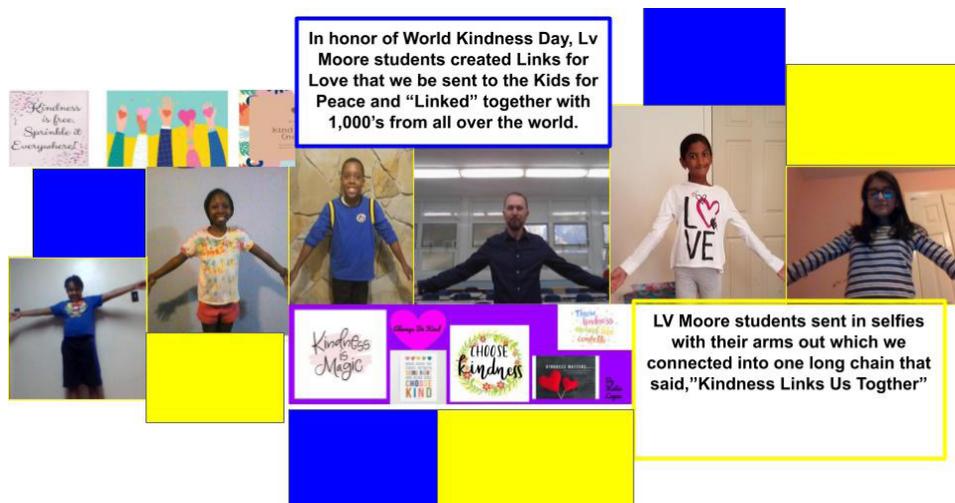


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In honor of World Kindness Day, Lv Moore students created Links for Love that we sent to the Kids for Peace and "Linked" together with 1,000's from all over the world.



LV Moore students sent in selfies with their arms out which we connected into one long chain that said, "Kindness Links Us Together"

