



News from Mrs. Johnson, Director:

LCAP Goal #2: The overarching LCAP Goal 2 for RSA is to provide opportunities for students to participate in their education and engage in leadership experiences that prepare them for the 21st century. Under the direction of the Dean of Students and with support from a variety of student groups, a positive learning environment is fostered. This occurs intentionally through a systemic approach of student ownership of actions, engaging in extensive visual and performing art opportunities or competitions that cultivate school spirit and intentional supports for social and emotional development. Students must be present to participate in these activities and many of the activities include family members to increase the connectedness to school.

In 2017-18, students in kindergarten through fifth grade were introduced to social emotional learning lessons using Second Step curriculum. These lessons provided guided practice on communication and problem solving skills with the desired results of reducing office referrals or negative playground incidents. RSA staff members also attended workshops on Trauma Informed Practices, sponsored by SCOE and Eldorado Charter SELPA to bring other support systems into the classrooms to meet the varied needs of students. During these trainings, staff members realized that there are many students who have experienced Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE).

In response to this identified need, RSA has implemented additional supports to address the emotional social needs of our students to help them manage their physical and emotional response which, in turn, enables them to access learning. New this year, our school counselor is in place to support teachers in implementing designated supports for students who struggle with peers or learning in the classrooms. We've also implemented a 'comfort corner' inside primary classrooms. These corners have items such as weighted lap blankets, squeeze balls, drawing tools, etc. that kindergarten through fourth grade students can use to manage strong emotions. Additionally, staff training continues to educate the teachers and other staff members on classroom interventions that can be implemented to create a positive, risk free classroom for the students.

Monitoring Computer Misuse: Computer misuse, including cyberbullying, takes many forms these days and social media is a difficult platform to monitor. RSA will be implementing Go Guardian as a teacher driven monitoring tool at school. Grades four through eight have 1:1 computers available to them and increased monitoring is important when students are engaged in the various learning platforms. As parents, keep informed of technology and the personal devices your child uses. One resource for parents is <https://www.parenting.com/article/keeping-your-child-safe-on-the-internet> which provides background information and other ideas. Together we can protect our students.

Save the Date

- 11/2 Field Trip-Nichols/Song, 8:30
- 11/2 PTC Movie Night, 6:30
- 11/5 Assembly, 8:10
- 11/7 ART's Alive, 4:00-7:00
- 11/8 Informational Tour, 9:30
- 11/9 Veterans Reception & Assembly
- 11/12 No School – Observe Veterans Day
- 11/13 Field Trip - 8th grade, 8:30
- 11/13 TBC General Meeting, 6:30
- 11/15 PTC Executive Meeting, 7:45
- 11/15 Governing Board Meeting, 5:45
- 11/16 Science Day – Minimum Day
- 11/19-11/23 Fall Break – No School
- 11/26 Assembly, 10:00
- 11/28 Field Trip - Schack/Fan, 8:15-11:30
- 11/28 Field Trip - Zaniroli/Kang, 8:30-11:15
- 11/29 PTC General Meeting, 8:00
- 11/29 Field Trip - Lahey/Dressel, 8:15-11:30
- 11/29 Field Trip - Chain, 8:15-11:30
- 11/30 Field Trip - Newham, Lynam,
Chen, 10:20-1:00
- 11/30 Field Trip - Homeschool, 9:45
- 11/30 Field Trip - All Middle School, 8:30-1:15

News from the Dean: For the months of November/December RSA will focus on the Character Trait: **Responsibility.**

Responsibility means: Do what you are supposed to do • Plan ahead • Persevere: keep on trying! • Always do your best • Use self-control • Be self-disciplined • Think before you act — consider the consequences • Be accountable for your words, actions, and attitudes • Set a good example for others. The color we use to celebrate respect is **Green:** Think being responsible for a garden or finances. **Responsibility** for students is “taking ownership of my thoughts, words, and actions.” This trait is essential for becoming a healthy, happy, and productive person...and it is the basis for a free and civil society where each person does what he or she is expected to do. **Responsibility** begins at home where children learn to take care of their belongings, clean up after themselves, do chores with a good attitude, finish their homework, and resolve conflicts peacefully. Parents can also encourage the development of this valuable character trait by trying out some of these activities at home:



- **Model it:** If you want them to do it, you have to do it too. Keeping your promises and being on time are ways you can lead by example.
- **Assign Some Accountability:** Age-appropriate chores are a simple way to teach your child responsibility. Add in a little financial incentive and your darling will begin learning how to manage finances, too.
- **Praise it:** When you see your child being on time for events, finishing homework, completing assigned work; recognize it and praise them for a job well done!
- **Teach Consequences:** If your child has to pack a bag for school each day and forgets sneakers for Cross Country, then she/he won't get to practice that afternoon. As much as you want to bring her/him sneakers, don't! She will be more cognizant of remembering her responsibilities next time.

“CHARACTER is doing the right thing when nobody's watching” J. C. Watts



General News



ART's Alive: Shasta County schools present the third annual *ART's Alive*. Please join Ms. Brown and Mrs. Lindberg to celebrate student and teacher artwork on Wednesday, November 7th from 4:00 – 7:00. This is open to the public for more information, email Ms. Brown at ebrown@arts.org.

Veterans Day Assembly: Please join us on Friday, November 9th for a special Veterans Day assembly to recognize and honor the veterans of our country. RSA would like to thank all the veterans for the commitment and courage showed in keeping the United States of America free. We will start with a reception at 9:00am followed by an assembly at 10:00am in the RSA Amphitheater. The children of our school will honor veterans with songs, instrumental music, drama, and special presentations. Please invite all those who would like to be a part of this special assembly. The reception will be held before the assembly at 9:00am in the Community Room.

All School Assembly Time Change: As we move into the winter season, RSA will be moving the time of our All School Assembly to 10:00am starting on Monday, November 26th. All Monday assemblies will be held at this time until April. Please view the calendar on the website for the most up to date information or contact the school office with any questions.



Science Day 2018: RSA's fall theme day is The Human Body: The Inside Story. Theme Day activities will be held on Friday, November 16th, which is a minimum day. We will start the morning with an assembly featuring a play by Mrs. Chain's students titled "The Inside Story." Students will begin the classroom rotations at 9:05am and continue until 12:30pm with a lunch break in between. Students may and are encouraged to wear medical profession costumes if they would like. Thank you in advance for your support in helping to make this day a memorable and fun learning experience for our students. Please sign up to volunteer for the day at the Sign-up Genius links below. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Chain at jchain@rsarts.org or Mrs. Schack at mschack@rsarts.org.

Link for Supplies: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4FAEAF2AA75-science2>

Link for Volunteers: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4FAEAF2AA75-science3>

School Communication: Please see below for alternate ways of communication and great ways to keep informed of school activities and upcoming events:

- RSA Radio Station 95.5
- Website – rsarts.org
- Teacher Pages – rsarts.org
- RSA Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/Redding-School-of-the-Arts-1409027992460689/>
- Emails from RSA
- Sunday night calls with weekly updates

Student Council: Middle School will be having a "Penny Wars" fundraiser November 5-9. The Funds will be used to help support the ASB activities throughout the school year. Penny Wars rules are:

1. Each class will have a jar to collect as many pennies as possible.
2. Silver and paper money counts against the class total. For example, a nickel takes away five cents from the class penny total. A quarter takes away twenty-five cents from their total.
3. Classes can sabotage one another by dropping nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars into other class jars.
4. The class with the greatest total wins. For example, if Mr. Allen's class has \$10.00 in pennies but loses \$5.00 in other sort of change, and Ms. Dunaj's class has \$10.00 in pennies and loses \$30.00 in other change, Mr. Allen's class wins because he ends up with positive \$5.00 and Ms. Dunaj ends up with -\$20.00 value.
5. Classes may only sabotage one another first thing in the morning by stopping by the main café prior to the 8:00am bell.

Scholastic Fall Book Fair: The Fall Scholastic Book Fair will be here before you know it. Mark your calendars for Dec 4-7 for our Book Fair which will be held in the Community Room. The Book Fair is a great place to earn your volunteer hours! Please visit our sign up genius to volunteer for this wonderful event. Thank you for your support of our RSA Library! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4AA8A72AA46-fall>. Our Co-chairs for this event are Anna Grady 530-227-4040 annagrady@yahoo.com and Jennifer Holien 530-276-5738 jencat711@yahoo.com.

Yearbook: Yearbooks are available for purchase right now for \$30.00 at www.jostens.com. Sibling yearbooks are available for \$23.00. The price increases Friday, December 7th. Recognition ads for students K-8 are also available to purchase at www.jostens.com. This is a paid ad that can include pictures and a message to your child. All ads must be submitted online by Friday, February 1, 2019. 8th Grade Baby Photos are due NO LATER THAN Friday, November 2nd. This is offered free of charge and is different than the paid recognition ads. Don't have your child be the only one without a photo. This is open to both onsite and homeschool 8th graders. Pictures should be between 6-24 months of age. Email photos to szaniroli@rsarts.org. Yearbook staff needs high resolution pictures of Cross Country, The Moon Festival, The Talent Show, Assemblies and Spirit Days. These may be submitted on a flash drive, shared with google photos, or emailed a couple at a time to szaniroli@rsarts.org. *Congratulations to Sophia Suh for winning our yearbook cover contest!*

Committee News

Time spent at RSA committee meetings will qualify toward your family's volunteer hours. Don't forget to log your hours!

Governing Board Meeting: The next RSA Governing Board Meeting will be held Thursday, November 15th at 5:45 p.m. in the Community Room. To read adopted minutes or review agendas, visit the RSA web site. You may also email the board with any concerns or questions you may have to rsartsboardmembers@gmail.com.

Parent Teacher Council: Please join the PTC at our regularly scheduled meeting held on November 29th at 8 am in the Community Room. We will be serving coffee and tasty breakfast food. We have been very thankful to all the new and old faces that we have seen at the last two meetings. Thank you for coming!

PTC Movie Night: Join us on Friday, November 2nd at 6:30 pm in the Amphitheater for family movie night! We will be showing "The Greatest Showman." The Festival Choir will be selling baked goodies, popcorn and hot cocoa.

Veterans Day Assembly: We want to honor our Veterans in the community with a special assembly and reception on Friday, November 9th. We hold this event in the Community Room at 9:00am prior to our 10:00 am assembly. We need volunteers to help set up and serve our wonderful veterans. Please see the attached sign-up genius.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f49a4a72aa57-veterans>

Snack Cart: Snack cart is up and running for our children. We need "HEALTHY" snacks!! Snack Cart is held every Tuesday & Thursday during the late afternoon recess. All items are .25 cents! All families are invited to donate healthy snacks or drinks! We are looking for items such as popcorn, pretzels, oranges, graham crackers, goldfish, raisins, and applesauce (all in individual baggies.) Please do not send granola bars, sugary treats, fruit snacks, chips, or cookies. Please do not bring in items that contain peanuts. 30 homemade goodies earn 1 hour, and 30 store bought goodies earn ½ hour. We still have slots open! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f49a4a72aa57-snack>

Pop Corn Friday's: Be on the lookout for Pop Corn Friday's! Popcorn will be sold for \$1.00 a bag.

Theatre Booster Club: This year's Talent Showcase was an amazing show! Thank you so much Mr. Burkett, Mrs. Eby, Mr. Wylie, Mr. Karch and all of you wonderful and hardworking staff and parent volunteers! You created a memorable night for our courageous and very talented students!

Our next scheduled TBC Executive meeting is Monday, November 5th at 3:15pm. The next General TBC Meeting is Tuesday, November 13th at 6:00 pm in the Community Room. Both meetings are open to the public. Your support and input makes all the difference, so please join us!

Now is the time to be thinking about advertising in the program for the upcoming production of Mulan Jr. Do you have a business to promote? Would you be willing to ask a few of your favorite businesses to support our show? If you have a child in the show, don't forget to create a sentimental ad for your performer, musician or artist. Ad forms will be available in November in the front office or on the TBC web page. Tickets for this year's spring musical, Mulan Jr., will be available through a link on the RSA website. Make plans now to attend! As always, TBC is grateful for all parents, staff and community volunteer hours that are given toward making our students shine! Order your cast t-shirts on the TBC of the RSA website. Forms due by 11/15/18.

