

RIS Board Report: September 2024

Celebrations:

- Mrs. Bartolozzi's 4th grade class studied and built "volcanoes" during the first week of September as part of their Science class. Parents were invited in to help with the project completion in class.
- Our Lighthouse/Leader In Me leaders are working on student accountability goals and schoolwide goals for leadership and accountability. Students now carry goal sheets with them about being prepared for class, being on time, and being responsible. They fill them out each day and then our team tracks the data to look for areas where students and staff can work to improve in these areas.
- Mrs. Newton, Mrs. Kramer, and Ms. Harvill have challenged students and staff members to make reading on Tuesdays a priority. They have been doing book reading videos, class initiatives for reading, and "stop everything and read" challenges. Their "RocketsRead" initiative is off to a great start at RIS! It is even so popular that some of our student leaders have started to record their own book talks.

What's Been Happening & What We're Doing:

- A few of our RIS 6th graders participated in JH Softball and JH Cross Country this fall.
- Our RIS 6th grade Girls Basketball Team recently held tryouts and is getting ready to kick off their season later this month.
- RIS will again have Homecoming week dress up day themes for the end of September/beginning of October. Dates and specific dress up themes will be released as we get closer to Homecoming.
- Our students have completed their first round of AIMSWeb benchmarking, and we are excited to dive into the data to see where our students are at with regard to ELA and Math abilities.
- Our PBS committee has been working to establish goals and incentives for good behavior as part of our theme this year which is "We "RISE" To Lead". Our main focus is to develop students as leaders in our building, district, and community.

What We're Reading/Listening to/Exploring:

Mr. Toland

- *One Word That Will Change Your Life* – Jon Gordon

Mrs. Sutton

- *Atomic Habits* – James Clear