

# Allen W. Roberts Elementary School

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Dear AWR Families,



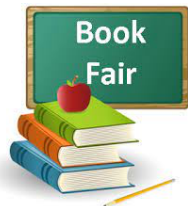
This week we held our conferences for families, and we would like to thank all of you who were able to attend in person or virtually. We truly appreciate your continued support as partners in your child's education. Together, we are collectively committed to both the academic and social-emotional development of our students. We look forward to working closely with you throughout the rest of this school year, and beyond!

**School will be closed this Thursday, November 4th, and Friday, November 5th** for NJEA Convention. Classes will resume on Monday, November 8th. On behalf of the AWR staff, we would like to wish you all a safe, relaxing and enjoyable break!



## **Updates from the School Nurse, Mrs. Stock**

Please see the important [letter attached](#), and reach out to the Health Office with any questions or concerns. We appreciate your continued vigilance and support.



## **The AWR Book Fair is Here!**

Please see the attached [Book Fair Principal Flyer](#) as we look forward to our Book Fair to be held during the week of November 8th!

**\*\*\*Check out this [Book Fair Poster Contest Video](#) created by Assistant Principal, Mrs. McGeechan!  
Great work everyone!\*\*\***



### **World Kindness Day - Friday, November 12th**

**Friday, November 12th** is “AWR is on TEAM KINDNESS!” Spirit Day. Students and staff are encouraged to wear their favorite sports team apparel or AWR school colors!



### **4th Grade Beginner's Night**

Please see the attached [Beginner's Night Flyer](#) that was also sent home by Mrs. Zazzali and Mr. Rostad. We are looking forward to this special evening when we return to school next week! This event is for parents/guardians only of 4th Grade students participating in this music event.

***\*\*Check out the Weekly Rambler from our AWR PTA! Click [here!](#)\*\****

***The next PTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 10th, at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria. We hope your schedule will allow you to join us!***



### **Student Spotlight!**

Check out our Week of Respect and Red Ribbon Week [slideshow](#) put together by our 6th Grade Pride Ambassadors and Miss Conlan!



### **21-22 AWR Quote of the Day!**

Please use the [21-22 AWR Quote of the Day Form](#) link to submit your Quote of the Day! Students and staff can submit inspirational quotes to be shared with our school community each day during our morning announcements! We have already received many quotes and look forward to reading your submissions!

***~Please see the important information below and friendly reminders!~***



### **Student Belongings**

As we get more settled into the school year and our routines, we would appreciate your help in making sure that your child has everything they need for the day when they arrive! We are receiving a number of items daily such as water bottles, iPads, instruments, and lunch boxes. While we understand that this is an adjustment period, we appreciate your support to ensure that your child has all of their belongings when coming to school each day. Thank you for your cooperation and support in order to minimize any disruption to the school day!

### **Arrival - 8:15 AM**

Kindly note that students may enter the building at 8:15 AM each day. There is no supervision outside the school building prior to 8:15 AM. If you need assistance with early care, please call the main office so we can guide you in the right direction!

### **Dismissal**

At dismissal, kindly encourage you to pick up your child and exit the school premises. If you are utilizing the playground spaces once students are dismissed, then please note that you are responsible for supervising your child(ren) while playing. Thank you for your cooperation!

Also, please note that the back lot will open each day at **2:50 PM** for cars and pick-up during dismissal time.

**\*\*NOTE: *\*\*IF YOUR DISMISSAL PLANS CHANGE PLEASE MAKE SURE TO NOTIFY THE MAIN OFFICE IN ADDITION TO YOUR CHILD'S HOMEROOM TEACHER.\*\* Thank you for your help!***

### **AWR Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures and North Court Parking Diagram**

Please see the attached [AWR DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES](#) and [NORTH COURT PARKING DIAGRAM](#). Also, please see this additional map provided by the Safety Committee that outlines where you are able to park, and where you cannot park around the school perimeter. Please [see attached](#). Thank you for your cooperation in following these important guidelines in the best interest of everyone's safety during arrival and dismissal time.

## **District Communication and Forms**

Communication is essential. Our district and school websites will continually be updated and the district will send home relevant information as needed. Please refer to our website for more information and helpful links. [New Providence School District](#). You received an email on August 23rd from the District with a link to your PowerSchool parent portal to update your child's student information and electronically sign annual permission forms and the acknowledgement of school district policies for the 2021-2022 school year. **If you have not done so already, please log into your parent portal, navigate to *Forms* and then the *Enrollment* tab to complete this process.** If you have not received this email, please contact the Main Office immediately.

***~Please continue reading below for important updates and additional information about upcoming events!~***

Welcome to the  
School Counselor's Corner



### **Notes from the School Counselors!**

Please see Miss Conlan's Helpful Tips for parents! [November 3rd Helpful Parent Tips](#)

**\*\*Check out the 2021-2022 AWR Spirit Days for the First Trimester! Please [see attached](#).\*\***



### **Tips from the Tech Corner! - Ms. Spoerl and Mrs. Fahey Technology Specialists**

#### **iPad Tip:**

Does your upper elementary child sometimes forget to charge their iPad at night? Or maybe they forget to bring it to school sometimes? Here's a helpful strategy to avoid those situations: Set up the Apple iPad charger in a location where the backpack can be placed right next to it. Put the iPad on or in the backpack while charging overnight and then in the morning your child just has to unplug and grab their backpack!

#### **JAMF Parent:**

The NPSD has set up a new software for you to be able to set restrictions on your PreK-12th grade child's school issued device, if desired, called JAMF Parent. Jamf Parent is a free iPhone, iPad, Apple Watch, and Android app that allows you to manage your child(ren)'s school-issued mobile devices outside of school hours. Using Jamf Parent, you can restrict and allow apps and device functionality on your children's devices. You can only manage your children's devices *outside* of the school hours M-F 7:00am - 3:00pm. For example, if you want to limit your child's use of the Internet, you can set up a time limit or only allow the use of Safari during certain hours of the afternoon or evening. You could also just limit specific websites or other apps.

***For more information and directions on how to set this up, please see the document linked below:***

**[JAMF Parent Instructions](https://tinyurl.com/npsdjamf)** (<https://tinyurl.com/npsdjamf>)



**Notes from the Main Office, Ms. Amanda Srey and Mrs. Karen Grogan**

**Attendance Matters, Pre K-12 Reporting Absence Form**

Please be advised that due to the current world health events, the AWR School needs to be informed of all changes to a student's attendance including illness, medical appointments, family day activities, and non-school scheduled vacations.

**Kindly submit all changes of attendance for your child on the Attendance Matters, Pre K-12 Reporting Absence Form which can be found above and on the main page of the AWR school website.**

Families will no longer need to call the attendance line in the main office for student attendance, once the Attendance Matters, Pre K-12 Reporting Absence Form has been submitted.

Thank you again for your partnership and we hope you have a wonderful rest of the week! If you have any questions or concerns please let us know.

*Warm regards,  
Robyn P. Greenwald, Principal*