# Staff Appreciation at East Ridge

Hello wonderful Room Parents,

Where has the school year gone! We are on the home stretch and of course that means it is time to honor and appreciate all the hard work and dedication of the staff at East Ridge.

Staff Appreciation week is Monday 7th May - Friday 11th May.

Hopefully you received a little flyer in your child's folder explaining the idea around staff appreciation but I know from experience that more information is always appreciated.

#### ALL STAFF APPRECIATION

This year all staff are to be appreciated during the week. You will see that each class has been assigned an additional person/group to help feel special. This means that you are reasonable for decorating their door ONLY! You do not (unless you want to) need to plan gifts or another items for these staff. However

it would still be great if you could encourage the children to appreciate them with high fives and thank you's.

#### DECORATING DOORS

This year we are going to continue with the tradition of decorating all staff doors. There is no theme this year so feel free to be as creative as you want. There are TONS of ideas on pinterest. Feel free to design it all on your own or ask each child to contribute a piece. You can also ask your art docents for ideas and/or help.

You may use the butcher paper, colored craft paper, stencils etc that are in the staff room. Please be respectful of the space though and make sure you aren't interrupting staff as they work - thank you! There will be a box of painters tape available in the office for you to use when hanging your door designs.



## Remember: When you are creating a design, make sure to leave space for the doorhandles and the the door window - thank you.

If possible the staff would love to have the doors decorated in time for Art Walk on 2 May 2018. We know that this is a big ask as many of you are so busy with the Auction projects and the art walk. If you feel like you won't have your allocated doors decorated by the mooring of 2 May please email me and we will see if we can you some help.

#### MONDAY 7th MAY - HOMEMADE CARDS

Please remind your class about bringing in their homemade cards that hopefully will have a little message (written or drawn) with something specific they appreciate about their teacher.

#### TUESDAY 8TH MAY - BREAKFAST

ERPTA will organize a yummy breakfast/brunch for all staff. Keep your eyes open for a sign up genius form soon:—) You may like to grab your teacher their favorite coffee/drink and deliver it to them. Remember you can delegate tasks so always feel free to ask another helpful parent in your class to do this task.

#### STAFF FAVORITE'S LISTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE OR ONLINE AT <u>ERPTA.ORG</u>

#### WEDNESDAY 9th MAY - HIGH FIVE DAY

We would like to encourage all parents and children to take a minute to express their appreciation by giving members of staff a high five and a genuine compliment. PTA is also planning a surprise for all staff in the staff room that day. Sssshhh don't tell anyone but we are going to give the staff room little make over. Earth Club will be planting up some new window baskets for the room, we will clean and restock the staff fridges, we will add some nice cushions and blankets to the sofa. If you have any other ideas for the staff room please do let me know:-)

#### THURSDAY 10th MAY - SMELLING SWEET DAY

This is a fun day where the kids can bring a flower from their garden (please do not buy flowers), or a scented candle, lotion etc for their teacher. Please check to see if your teacher has allergies to flowers/scents. You may also want to have a vase on hand for the children to put their flowers into.

ERPTA will continue the work on the staff room make over and add an essential oil

diffuser and other sprays that can help the staff make it through the day. We will also stock the staff room with lots of fresh fruit.

#### FRIDAY 11th MAY - GIFT BASKET DAY

It's the last day of teacher appreciation so we are really going to surprise the staff with some amazing things. Please plan with your class to create a basket of your teachers favorite goodies. You can ask parents to send a gift to school to add to the basket or if you are comfortable with this you can ask parents for a suggested monetary donation and you can assemble the basket. You will probably need to send an email to your class explaining this project and set a deadline for when you would like to receive the donations by.

Please ask your teacher when is a good time to interrupt their day and present them their wonderful gift and let them know how much they are truly appreciated.

After Spring Break I will be on campus during recesses to start work on a video message and a special piece of art for the school. We will arrange a time for all staff to see both special messages and we will try to get the video out to parents too.

#### **IMPORTANT INFO**

Don't stress about the week. It is meant to be a fun week and heartfelt words are appreciated so much more than big lavish gifts. Remember you can delegate activities to other helpful parents.

If you have questions or need help let me know - Saran <u>saranpomianowski77@gmail.com</u>

I will do my best to support you or find another parent who can support you.

### THANK YOU FOR BEING YOU AND FOR CARING ABOUT EAST RIDGE!

# CONTINUE ON FOR CLASS ASSIGNMENT OF EXTRA STAFF PERSON

CLASS ROOM	CLASS ROOM	CLASS ROOM	NOTES
ANTHONY	BRENDA MILLER	JANIE ANDERSON & SARAH KIRBY, MUSIC	MUSIC ROOM
LONG	CHRISTY GARDNER	GERRY CULLINS, NURSE	NURSES ROOM
MOORE	GHLADYST CHAI	TIFFANY DIAL, STS	COMPUTER LAB
HILL	ANNETTE BEAVEN & CHRISTINE MORSE	MRS.LUCKE & KRISTEN BRAGG P.E.	GYM the gym has double doors so feel free to decorate both or just one.
MURPHY	JULIE BEEARD, SHANNON NAUGLE, KERRY FINNEY	SARAH WHITE PRINCIPAL, RAE ANN JORDAN, RAE SHEPHERD	OFFICE you can choose to do a door for Mrs. White separately or you can combine all three staff members in to one door.
OLIVER	NICOLE STARK & DANIELLA STEWART	MR. RICK CISSNA	LIBRARY the library has double doors so feel free to decorate both or just one.
ERICKSON	LISA HWANG & JODY SKINNER	LEAH FELT, SARAH CASEBEER & CHAR BOURRIAGUE, SCHOOL ASSISTANTS	WORKROOM I believe this is in the office
FOOTE	AMY FELT	*	
HAGER	DIANE BRANDT	CARMEN DAZA & TAMMY DESTREMPS, CUSTODIANS	CUSTODIANS OFFCE ask office for location - sorry!
DICKENS	SARAN POMIANOWSKI & STEPHANIE HENNESSY	MONICA BARBER, MISSY GIACOMI, DIERDRE FLAHERTY, JARMILA NOID- LIEBRCK, SP ED & OT	RM 12
SCHMIDT	WENDY DAILY	KAREN RAPHAEL, SCHOOL PSYCH	PSYCH OFFICE located in the office
IRVING	JENN SPELHAUG & HOLLI VAN DE WEGE	CHERYL LICHTTENEGGER & CAROL BRANDMEIER, COOKS	KITCHEN
FAWCETT	AMY FELT	*	
WRIGHT	TERRY KASHI, LYNN SMITH, CARLEEN FLACK & LAURA CETINA	BRENDA VOGT & KATHYRN LI, SPEECH THERAPY & ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT	RM 14

<sup>\*</sup> AMY - I didn't assign you an extra door as you already have two :-) However if you would like to help another team please let me know.

## **IDEAS FOR DOORS**

