Dear Acres Green Families,

On Thursday, 5th graders held their annual Great Cookie Sale, where they sell real cookies to 6th graders for fake money. Each team's goal is to make money by weighing cookie prices against business costs. Not only do the students have fun, but the activity requires them to revisit the knowledge gained from the Young AmeriTowne unit. The Great Cookie Sale also aligns with the Colorado 5th-grade Academic Standard that investigates resource allocation in a market economy.

Kindergarten registration--we had a great turnout last week! We continue to take your registrations. Just come in to the front office to get paperwork to start, or all forms can be found on our website.

There is A LOT of information below from our PTO about volunteer opportunities and upcoming events. We are getting ready for our online auction and are thinking ahead to next year! This is your chance to support our amazing community! Also, we have a restaurant night this week at California Pizza Kitchen—these nights are very successful—thank you families for your support!

Have a great week!

Louise Wacaser, Assistant Principal
1 - Our 18/19 Student Directory is now available! Click here to access it! You will need to put in the password: AGEpanters

READ ALL ABOUT IT!

News from Mrs. Braun in the Learning Commons
Did you know that your child can browse and enjoy eBooks and audiobooks anytime, anywhere, on any device from OverDrive Digital Library?

You can discover Acres Green’s digital collection through Sora, the new mobile and desktop reading experience from OverDrive.

Directions to access the DCSD digital collection through Sora:

The app is free to download on a personal device. The school is Douglas County School District, if you go this route.

Or,

2. Use the setup code: douglasco to access the DCSD digital collection.
3. Login using your child’s universal credentials to check out 3 titles at a time for a two-week lending period. After the ending period, the titles are automatically returned to the shelf!

What I really like about the app is that it allows for highlighting words and text and adding definitions and notes.

For example, when you’re reading with your child at home, have your child practice highlighting a short piece of text and writing a comment about it, such as a text-to-self connection - something he/she can relate to because it’s a familiar experience. Then, when your child is finished reading, go back and look at the comments together and discuss them. Or, have your child highlight a confusing word, talk about it, and add a note to define it.

I hope your child will take advantage of this great reading tool!

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me at klbraun@dcsdk12.org

Happy Reading!!

Kirsten Braun

Digital Literacy Instructional Specialist

DAC Winter Forum

Save the Date: February 12, 2019

6:00-9:00 p.m.

Cimarron Middle School

Topics: Mental Health and Career & Technical Education
When “Because I Said So” Doesn’t Work Anymore: Parenting Beyond Consequences

It’s not easy to be a parent in today’s world.

FREE PARENTING CLASS

‘When Because I Said So Doesn’t Work’ - Parenting Beyond Consequences is an evidenced based curriculum that offers a trauma informed approach to help even the most difficult children find the stability they need to thrive. Based on neuro-scientific research on emotions and behavior, the Beyond Consequence Model provides a simple yet powerful way to help children with severe behavior issues—both at home and in the classroom. This model has been shown over and over to provide families the solution they’ve been looking for after years of “trying everything and nothing worked.”

This class is targeted for parents of truant elementary and middle school students, but could benefit any parent/family who are seeking new approaches to difficult parenting situations.

Mesa Middle School
365 N Mitchell Street
Castle Rock, CO 80104
Classes meet on Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm

Session 1:
January 22 – March 19

Or

Session 2:
March 26 – May 21
7 Habits Foundations class for parents -

We have been presented with an opportunity to offer the 7 Habits Foundations class for any interested parent at our school. This course provides essential insights into the habits that are at the heart of effectiveness in your personal and professional life. The district is offering an abbreviated version of the class to be held at Legacy Point Elementary School. This course typically costs over $100, however, this class would be at no cost to you. Here is more information and the registration link:

Course: *7 Habits Foundations*

Audience: Parents of Legacy Point, Eagle Ridge, Acres Green and Redstone Elementary Schools

When: February 6, 20 and 27, 2019

5:30-8:30pm

Participants must attend all 3 dates

Where: Legacy Point Elementary

12736 Red Rosa Circle

Parker, CO 80134

Registration Link: [7 Habits Foundations Registration](#)
PTO Meeting Recap:

What can you do for your school in the coming year? There are several PTO chairperson positions available for the coming year. These are a great way to test out PTO. You don’t need to attend every PTO meeting, and can complete a time-limited role that allows you see your impact on our school community! Each of these positions includes the support of the current person in the role while you are learning. These are volunteer positions, you do not have to be elected, and more than one person can work together on any of them!

Here is an overview of some chair positions that are opening up. We will provide more detail in the coming weeks!

- **Restaurant Night Chair**: Schedules restaurant nights—events that both raise funds and build community among families monthly
- **Spiritwear Chair**: Organizes school t-shirt sales from order to delivery one time per year
- **Edukits Chair**: Organizes school supplies sales from order to deliver one time per year
- **Fall Fundraiser Chair**: Organizes fall catalog sales from order to deliver one time per year
- **Holiday Shop Chair**: Organizes holiday shop at school during December
- **Box-tops Chair**: Collects, counts, and submits box-tops throughout the year
Restaurant Night THIS WEEK:

Look through your Friday Folder from last week and find the half-sheet of paper titled Pizza with a Purpose. Bring it into California Pizza Kitchen on Wednesday, January 23rd. Location: 8343 South Park Meadows Center Drive, 80124. This is an all-day fundraiser and you can mention Acres Green if you pop in for lunch too!

Auction Ask:

Do you own a business or work for a business that would like to donate auction items or experiences? Think Win-Win---auction donations are tax-deductible! Please email the PTO at acresgreenpto@gmail.com to share your ideas.

Reminders:

Don’t forget to load and use your King Soopers and Safeway cards! Let us know if you need another one!

You can sign up to paint the rock here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080449a4a92aa3f58-paint1 and then drop your $10 off at the office. This has been a fun way to both celebrate our students and add to our fundraising. We have enjoyed all the different faces the rock has taken on over the fall and look forward to many more in the coming months.

You can always provide donations directly to the PTO through our Colorado Gives Page Here: http://coloradogives.org/AGE2018
Pizza with a purpose

Bring in this flyer, present it to your server, and we’ll donate 20% of your check to the organization listed below. Purchases include dine-in, takeout, catering and all beverages.

Fundraiser in support of:
Acres Green Elementary School
Wednesday, January 23rd, 2019
ALL DAY

Valid at the following location:
California Pizza Kitchen
Park Meadows
8343 South Park Meadows Center Drive,
Littleton, CO 80124
720-873-0400

Join the Pizza Dough® Rewards program and receive a free Small Plate on your first visit after registering.

Regular Day at cpk.com or swishback.com/newapp today!

For more information visit www.pizzadough.com.

UPCOMING DATES

• January 22-6th grade parent night, Cresthill Middle School, 6:30 to 8:30 pm
• January 23-PTO Restaurant Night, California Pizza Kitchen, ALL DAY (see flyer above)
• January 25-Geography Bee, gym, 2:00pm
• January 30-Elite Choir Concert, 7pm, cafeteria
• February 12-SAC Meeting, 5:30-6:30, Learning Commons
• February 12-PTO Meeting, 6:30-7:30, Learning Commons
• February 20-Math Family Game Night, 5:30-7:00pm, AGE

Need more information? See our website at https://age.dcsdk12.org