Acres Green Update-3/11/2019

Dear Acres Green Families,

Last chance to check out the PTO ONLINE AUCTION! Bidding ends tomorrow (Monday, March 11) at noon. There are many items still up for grabs at an affordable price! Go to
www.32auctions.com/2019AGEPTO now and make some last minute bids! All proceeds benefit our school!

On Friday we celebrated Kitty Schoenherr, long time kitchen assistant and former AGE parent. She has accepted a kitchen manager position at Lone Tree Elementary. We will miss her greatly, but wish her all the best as she takes on her new role. Good Luck Kitty!

Students who met their reading goals this quarter enjoyed the magic of Amazing Dave at a celebration assembly on Friday. Awesome tricks and illusions delighted the audience. Congratulations to our students who achieved their goals-hard work always pays off!

March 18-22 is DCSD Spring Break. Let's hope for sun and spring breezes. The next weekly update will be on March 22. Enjoy the break!

Have a great week!

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Dear Acres Green families,
Douglas County School District is ready to start creating its road map for the next 3-5 years and we want to hear from families and community members from across our school district about what priorities and endeavors should be included in our plan.

Please help us make sure that the Acres Green Elementary School voice is well represented at one of these upcoming community conversations. No RSVP is required. However, it is so important for our community members to provide input and insight into this plan. I strongly encourage you to attend!

Help us determine the next steps necessary to ensure that each and every student in Douglas County School District is ready for a successful life after high school, and beyond.

If you have any questions about the DCSD strategic plan, or these community conversations, please reach out to me.

Thank you,
Gina Smith
Principal
HIGHLANDS RANCH
Thursday, March 14
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Mountain Vista High School
10585 Mountain Vista Ridge, Highlands Ranch
No RSVP required
For questions or additional information, contact tammy.whipple@dcsdk12.org or 303-387-9500

From DCSO--Don't forget to RSVP for our upcoming YESS Parent Event.

Have a conversation with our Y.E.S.S. Instructors to learn about what we are teaching students, trends we see and have a chance to ask questions!

This is a great time for parents to learn about the “outside” influencers that can be effecting their kids.
Topics include: Trends in vaping and other substances, social behaviors such as bullying and dating violence, as well as how you can help your child be smarter and safer on line. The digital intelligence topic even discusses how to help your teens realize that what they do on social media now, can effect their future. Fascinating Information!

Location: DCSO Highlands Ranch Substation, Community Room 9250 Zotos Drive, Highlands Ranch
March 15th 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Refreshments are provided by Rotary of Castle Pines and Denver Springs

Please RSVP to pharvey@dcsheriff.net

To all 6th Grade Families:

Hexathlon tryouts for the Sixth Grade will be on the following days before school from 7:45-8:25 on Tuesday March 26th, Wednesday March 27th, and Thursday March 28th. The event will take place on May 16th at Echo Park (The old Sports Authority Stadium in Parker) from 9am to 2pm, where we will compete against 8 other Douglas County Elementary Schools.

To improve your chances of making the team, we recommend that students train over spring break. Find a local track and run 400 meters (one time around) at a time with a break in between. Keep doing this distance to improve endurance and times.

We are looking for great leaders to represent AGE that have the discipline, dedication, and desire to bring our team to their optimal level. We want our students to want to be apart of something special here at AGE. We want you to be dedicated and on time to each practice.

The events are as follows: 100 meter race, 4 x 400 meter relay, 4 x 100 relay, long jump, softball throw, and tug-of-war.
The team consists of nine boys and nine girls (one alternate for each). For those who make the team, mandatory practices will be conducted on the following dates: 4/2, 4/4, 4/9, 4/11, 4/14 (weekend), 4/16, 4/18, 4/23, 4/25, 4/28 (weekend), 4/30, 5/2, 5/5 (weekend), 5/7, 5/9, and 5/14 on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:45am-8:25am.

There will be 3 weekend practice dates on April 14th, April 28th, and May 5th, our practices will be held at Cresthill Middle School. It is important that you make these practice dates to familiarize yourself with the track. We will also show you where to stand on specific parts of the 4x100 and 4x400 meter relays. These are our most important practices.

Sincerely,

Coach Mulready and Mrs. O’Neill

Check out this [LINK](#) to AGE Book Fair information.
Calling all artists!  

We are looking for your help!  Our annual Run 4 Funds T-shirt design contest is here.  Please make your design in black and while on a regular sized piece of paper (81/2x11).  Write your name in pencil on the back.  You design should include Acres Green, Run 4 Funds and the date of the event, May 3, 2019.

Winning design will be used for promotion of the event and printed on all T-shirts!  Please turn into the office by March 13th.
AGE families,

March Book Madness is underway, and you'll want your child to participate in this great opportunity! Some really great prizes are up for grabs when students cast votes for a favorite book!

This is a wonderful way to get your child even more excited about reading and talking about books!!! The link that I'm sharing has all the details, but don't hesitate to contact me if you have further questions. A lot of the books are on Sora, so they can be accessed from home.

The first bracket of voting for a favorite book by grade level is February 22nd.

Get reading and get voting and have fun!!

Kirsten Braun

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CLICK ON LINK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION- March Book Madness!!!
Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS)
April 8th - 26th

If you would like more information, please visit the Parent Tab on our School Website!
2 - Sign-up to paint the rock and make your child smile! $10 is all it takes!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080449a4a92aa3f58-paint1

The Annual PTO Online Auction ends TOMORROW, March 11th! A big thank you goes out to both all who have placed bids so far and all the local businesses, individuals and school staff who contributed auction items! There are still some great deals available on teacher adventures at all grade levels and several other priceless items! Please check it out here and place your final bids by noon tomorrow: www.32auctions.com/2019AGEPTO.

The PTO is always looking for additional volunteers— for big and small opportunities. Some of the upcoming opportunities include helping with the Run 4 Funds fun run and Staff Appreciation in early May. Please reach out to the PTO (acresgreenpto@gmail.com) to offer your support. If your child is interested in providing the artwork for the Run 4 Funds T-shirt, see the information in this newsletter and remind them to submit their artwork by March 13th.

Reminders:

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.

You can always provide donations directly to the PTO through our Colorado Gives Page Here: http://coloradogives.org/AGE2018
We hope all families enjoy time together over Spring Break March 18-22. Be on the lookout for a PTO-sponsored restaurant night in the week right after Spring Break.

Come support
Acres Green Elementary PTO at

Chick-fil-A
Park Meadows

THURSDAY, MARCH 28
5pm – 10pm

Chick-fil-A will donate 15% of all A.G.E. sales back to the school. Just mention the school name to participate!
(No flyer required and offer only good at Chick-fil-A Park Meadows)

Chick-fil-A Park Meadows
9091 Westview Rd.
Lone Tree, CO 80124
303-706-9595
(Off County Line Rd., next to Red Lobster)
UPCOMING DATES

• March 11-14, Scholastic Book Fair, Learning Commons
  - Monday, 9am-5pm
  - Tuesday, 9am-8am
  - Wednesday, 9am-5pm
  - Thursday, 9am-8pm

• March 12 and 14-Student Led Conferences, 3:45-8:00pm, AGE

• March 18-22-NO SCHOOL, Spring Break

• March 28-PTO Restaurant Night, Chick-fil-a, 5-10pm

• March 28-2nd grade musical

• April 3-Science Fair, 6:30pm

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