



# Ripley Central School

*"Home of the Eagles"*

Learn today. Lead tomorrow!

1/11/24

Dear RCS Families,

I extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our families for your flexibility during Tuesday's dismissal. We made the prudent decision at 2:15 PM to cancel the afternoon bus runs due to unsafe conditions caused by the high winds and especially considering multiple tractor-trailers overturned in Ripley. By 3:15 PM all students were either on their way home with parents or in district suburbans. Your continued support is immensely appreciated as we persist in prioritizing student safety. Following dismissal, we met to debrief and enhance our procedures for future situations, ensuring a smoother process.

Our school experienced an eventful week beginning with the Ripley Novice Wrestling Tourney on Sunday. Congratulations to the outstanding performance of RCS students Roland Bird, Leonatta, Oliver, and Theo Johnston. Additionally, kudos to the participants in the Battle at the Wolfs Den in Kane, Pennsylvania: Emmett Burgess, Finn Rowe, and Kaleb Woodruff. It's great to see our novice wrestlers beginning their journey with the sport at home and our more seasoned athletes traveling to compete.

Students will have an extended weekend and reading is a wonderful way to pass the time. I encourage each of you to continue to have your children read daily. Developing a reading habit is one of the best gift students can receive in elementary school. This habit will lead to future academic success!

Be sure to glance at the right-hand column for an overview of the multitude of extracurricular activities happening this month. This column will serve as your handy tool to stay informed and engaged.

**A reminder that there will be no school tomorrow due to a Teacher In-Service Day.** Teachers and Teaching Assistants will be engaged in a Capturing Kids' Hearts training, a program that has significantly impacted our school's culture and learning environment.

Another reminder that the school will be closed this coming Monday in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. We eagerly anticipate students returning on Tuesday, 1/16/24, rested and ready to engage in learning.

Wishing you a wonderful long weekend!

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## Upcoming Events

### **Friday, January 12**

No School

In-Service Day

### **Monday, January 15**

School Closed

MLK Day

### **Tuesday, January 16**

Maker Faire ASP 5:30 pm

Ski Club

### **Wednesday, January 17**

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Basketball Practice 4:30 pm

### **Thursday, January 18**

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Basketball Practice 4:30 pm

### **Friday, January 19**

Grs. 3-6 Progress Reports  
Distributed

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

### **Monday, January 22**

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Maker Faire ASP 5:30 pm

### **Tuesday, January 23**

Maker Faire ASP 5:30 pm

Ski Club

### **Wednesday, January 24**

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Basketball Practice 4:30 pm

### **Thursday, January 25**

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Basketball Practice 4:30 pm

### **Friday, January 26**

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

*"The time is always right to do what is right." ~Martin Luther King Jr.*