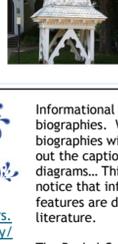


“If a child is to keep alive his inborn sense of wonder, he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement, and mystery of the world we live in.” Rachel Carson 1907-1964, often named the founder of environmental science.

Where have you seen this before? Where do you predict you will see it on campus in the fall?



August Greetings,

Over the summer we would like to stay in touch with you. The two previous summers we used a tool called Mail Chimp that was filled with suggestions to help your child continue to learn and keep those valuable skills they gained during the school year. We hope you are enjoying this new format. Please let us know how you like it.

Ms. Nalani and the CRSS Staff

**Prevent
“Summer
Slide”**

[Read on to find a few great tips from our CRSS staff...](#)



Informational text includes biographies. When reading biographies with your child point out the captions, headings, diagrams... This helps them to notice that informational text features are different from literature.

The Rachel Carson Council has a downloadable booklet that shares her story. There are also activities for families to do together.

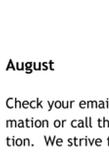
<http://www.rachelcarsoncouncil.org/index.php?page=kids-activities>



If the white building at the front entrance to our campus was brought to CRSS in 1965 and it was built in ca. 1875, how old is it? What is the red herring in this problem? What is a red herring?

Time yourself today on your grade levels required math facts. Start a chart and watch how practice makes you faster and more accurate.

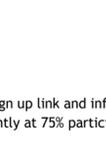
If you have favorite websites for practicing math please share with us.



The International Space Station is an interesting place. Want to know where it is today and what the astronauts are doing? You can even sign up for an email alert so you don't miss them as they pass overhead.

Check them out at this NASA website: <http://spotthestation.nasa.gov/>

STEM Day at the State Fair is August 21st from 9 to 5.



Visit the Minnesota Historical Society <http://www.mnhs.org/calendar>

Instead of a movie night maybe try a virtual field trip night. No need to pack the car or make reservations. After the trip decide what the pros and cons of really going to this destination would be. <http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/globaltrek/>

More details...
<http://www.eschoolnews.com/2013/04/07/ten-of-the-best-virtual-field-trips/2/>

Upcoming Events

August

Check your email for the Before School Conferences sign up link and information or call the office for assistance. We are currently at 75% participation. We strive for 100% participation!

21 Burger Fry @ Knights of Columbus Hall (5–7:30 pm)
Tickets are \$6.50 and are available at the door as well as at our office. The basket includes your choice of hamburger, cheeseburger or chicken strips and french fries. CRSS staff will be cooking and serving these delicious basket meals.

29 Family Workday (8-1 am)
Our Family Workday is a school wide community event. Family members are invited to come out and spend as much or little time as they have helping each other get the campus ready for the students to return in September. These are just a few of the jobs that could happen in preparation for the students to return:

- Assemble classroom tables
- Vacuum and placing carpet strips
- Relocate a large whiteboard
- Mulching Goat Rock
- Wipe down cubbies and lockers
- Scrubbing classroom tables
- Secure lockers to the wall

September

2 & 3 Before School Conferences

8 First day of 2015-2016 school year

Questions or comments? E-mail us at info@cannonriverstemschool.org or call 507-331- (STEM)7836

News and Notes:

Welcome to the new teaching staff.
Stephanie Ennis-2nd grade
Sheila Sawyer-4th grade
Tony Seidl-6th grade
Susan Williams-Special Education
Adam Bahr-Promise Fellow

Please look for CRSS library books in backpacks and under beds as you get ready to head back to school.

School supply lists are on the website. Remember to reuse and recycle!