

Principal's Letter

Steeple Is Thankful!

It's good to be a Super Star!



The month of November gives us the opportunity to reflect and give thanks for all we have as a school community. In the picture above our students participated in a ribbon cutting ceremony for our new Little Library. This Little Library is emblematic of our building's and district's greater commitment to literacy. We recognize that for students it is often a small contribution or opportunity that can have a lasting impact. One of the many lessons our students teach us on a daily basis is that immeasurable possibility comes in small packages. The hope we have for this Little Library is that it might inspire the love of reading in a generation of our students.

We are thankful for Dr. Paula Helberg who has served the Steeple Community for over 20 years and organized the grant that made our Little Library possible. As a reading specialist, Paula has had the opportunity to impact countless students directly and indirectly. Paula's impact is evidenced through this Little Library and through the passion and professionalism she demonstrates each day.

On Friday, November 10th we will come together as a school community to honor those who have served in our Armed Forces. During this time we will welcome many of the family members who served in the Armed Forces and through a small ceremony honor their service. Later this month, November 22nd-24th, we will break for our Thanksgiving holiday. On behalf of Steeple Run we wish you and your family a month full of thanksgiving!

A LOOK BACK OCTOBER'S EVENTS



Steeple Run Volunteers

The strength of our Steeple community was again on display as we came together to support our Fall Parties and Parade. On this special day students were able to dress up and embrace their creativity through games and in many cases their own costumes. In order to make our Fall Parties possible Home & School organized over 140 volunteers who provided students with fun and engaging activities throughout the afternoon. A parade through the hundreds of families that lined the blacktop outside was a fitting end to a great month at Steeple Run. Thank you for providing our students a truly special experience as they walked through cheering crowds of our Steeple Community.

Little Free Library

As you may have suspected after reading about our Little Library ribbon cutting the Little Library is a bit hit! When you are cleaning off your bookcases at home, please consider a donation of gently-used books to our Little Free Library. Send all donations to school to the attention of Mrs. Helberg. For those of you who have already sent a donation of books, thanks so much!

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” –Helen Keller

Each month as I sit to write this letter, I look back at the previous month and am amazed at all of the activities that are supported by **your** Home & School and all of the volunteers who help make them possible! I am filled with gratitude for our school community, teachers and staff and all of the things we've accomplished so far this year and the many exciting events yet to come!

Steeple Run was filled with smiles and laughter during our annual Fall Festival. Thank you to Erika Long, Kim Clarke, Jaime Pozzi, Sara Snyder and the many, many parents who helped out with the parties and/or with capturing yearbook picture moments. Your creativity, time and efforts made for an amazing day of fall fun!

Thank you to Tara Homan for getting our 5th grade students excited about literacy and organizing the 5th grade book grabbers.

The Third, Fourth and Fifth graders had a blast with their first climbing wall session during P.E. Thank you to all of the volunteers who came to assist our kids! We also appreciate all of the photographers who captured great shots for the yearbook!

The LC was transformed into a book store for our annual Book Fair during our parent/teacher conference week thanks to Leslie Monahan and her amazing team of helpers!

One of the ways Home & School gives back to our amazing teachers is by treating them to dinner before the evening parent/teacher conferences. The money we raise at our different events helps fund this meal and allows us to say THANK YOU to our amazing school staff. A special thank you to Jenna Person, Kelly Capen, and Maureen Fariello who also provided delicious desserts for the teachers to enjoy with their fall conference meal!

Thank you to Jessica Zelinski for her organization and collection of our Fall Box Tops drive. Stay tuned to find out the winner of the grade level pajama day and keep clipping those Box Tops!!

There were plenty of Super Stars who came out to our October benefit night at Colonial Cafe. Thank you to Meghan Sciortino and Tiffany Tyson for organizing a fun night out and to all of the families who took the time to support our Home & School. The event raised \$216.64 and we are grateful for your support!

Speaking of baked goods, thank you to Bina Trivedi and Karoline Goodnick for bringing some treats to our October Connecting Over Coffee meeting. They were appreciated by everyone!

Please join us for our next Connecting Over Coffee meeting of the year on November 15th at 8:30AM in the Multi-Purpose room. This is a great opportunity to meet other Steeple Run parents, spend time with Mr. Louis and Mrs. Cummings and learn more about what's going on at Steeple Run! We will have a guest speaker from Kids Matter to share information on their parent resources for our community.

For more information and updates on current and upcoming events, please “like” Steeple Run Home & School on Facebook.

Please call or email our Executive Board with any questions or comments about the activities and programs supported by your Home & School!

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Event Calendar

Friday, November 03	-school hours-	3 th Grade Fieldtrip: Legoland
Thursday, November 09	-school hours-	Vision and Hearing Screening
Friday, November 10	8:30 - 9:15 AM	Veteran's Day Assembly
Tuesday, November 14	-school hours-	4 th Grade Fieldtrip: Naper Settlement
Tuesday, November 14	7:30 -8:30 PM	Elementary Orchestra Concert (Jefferson Jr. High School)
Wednesday, November 15	8:30 AM	H&S Connecting Over Coffee (Multi-Purpose Room)
Thursday, November 16	2:30 - 3:30 PM	Inside Out Club
Thursday, November 16	6:30 PM	2 nd Grade Music Program
Friday, November 17		Student Report Cards Available on Infinite Campus
Wednesday - Friday November 22-24	-school hours-	Thanksgiving Break No School
Thursday, November 30	-school hours-	Vision and Hearing Re-Screening



Save the Date



For: The Holiday Shop

When: Saturday, December 9th 9am-12pm

Where: Steeple Run Elementary: Multi-Purpose Room

* This is a wonderful opportunity for children to shop and pick out that special gift for a parent, sibling, or loved one at kid-friendly prices.

It's time once again for the **Steeple Run Book Exchange!**



Gently used books will be accepted for donation on **Wednesday, December 6th**.
The following day each student will be able to choose a book to bring home.

Students who participate in donating books for the exchange will be allowed to choose up to two additional books to bring home.

Please make every effort to donate books appropriate to your student's grade level.

Parents will have an opportunity to volunteer through Sign Up Genius.

For more information, please contact Sabrina Malano cookiemom79@gmail.com

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**Thursday, November 16th
4:45-9 p.m.**

**Steeple Run Home & School will
receive up to \$5 back per jumper**
(visit www.Nap.SkyHighSports.com for rates and specials)

EVERY JUMPER MUST TURN IN A FLYER TO RECEIVE CREDIT

additional copies of the flyer are available at
<http://www.naperville203.org/steeplerun>

Children should be accompanied by an adult.

All jumpers under the age of 18 will need a waiver completed by their parent prior to jumping.

Those over the age of 18 will need to complete their own waiver and show a valid photo I.D.

Waivers can be found at www.Nap.SkyHighSports.com

All jumpers must purchase Sky High's grip socks for \$3/pair

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**Jueves, 16 de noviembre
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**Steeple Run Home & School recibirá
Hasta \$5 de regreso por participante**
(visite www.Nap.SkyHighSports.com para precios y especiales)

**CADA PARTICIPANTE TENDRA QUE PRESENTAR UN VOLANTE PARA
RECIBIR CREDITO**

Copias adicionales pueden ser encontradas en
<http://www.naperville203.org/steeplerun>

Los niños deberán ser acompañados de un adulto.

Los participantes menores de 18 años deben presentar un permiso firmado por los padres antes de participar.

Los mayores de 18 años necesitaran su propio permiso y presentar una foto valida.

Los permisos se pueden encontrar en www.Nap.SkyHighSports.com

Todos los participantes deben comprar calcetines en Sky High's por 3 dólares el par.

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Se puede comunicar con Meghan Sciorlino si tiene alguna pregunta a megmcksci@gmail.com

SIMPLE WAY TO EARN FOR HOME & SCHOOL

There are many ways that Home & School (H&S) can receive funds to be used for H&S sponsored programs. The Benefit App is one of these simple ways; purchase gift cards directly from the app and a portion of the gift card purchase is automatically sent to H&S. I tested this app myself over the summer and it was convenient and easy! Purchase and redeem the gift cards directly from your phone, no more lost or forgotten gift cards. For more information, go to www.benefit-mobile.com. If you have any questions regarding this program, please email Becky Obermeier at steeplerunhands@gmail.com.

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With each transaction a donation is made!