Stevenson Families,

It has been a great week at school! We welcomed our Kindergarten students and families, had a very successful Open House, and made it through rainy day dismissals. This is just the beginning of the wonderful school year ahead.

Our Read-a-Thon is doing amazing so far. Mrs. Vanderpool will begin handing out prizes next week for those that have earned a specific level. If you haven't done so already, please visit the site to begin. Family Login Page | Pledgestar

Our Parent Fundraising Group will be holding the first PALs meeting of the year next Friday the 26th at 9:05 am in the cafeteria. Please join us for this informative volunteer meeting. Also, the first Out of Uniform fundraiser takes place on Friday the 26th. The theme is "Tacky Tourist". We can't wait to see those outfits. Remember today is the deadline to order your spirit shirts. If you haven't done so already, please click the link to place your order. https://rlstevenson-volunteer-fundraising-group-2.square.site.

The first round of state FAST (Florida Assessment of Student Thinking) testing will take place September 7 & 8 for grades K-2 and September 13 & 14 for grades 3-6. Please make sure your child is on time to school and has had a restful night. We look forward to experiencing this new testing and the information it will provide.

As we now have the first week of car loop completed, I have a few reminders that will assist with keeping everyone safe and help to move the process along efficiently.

- 1. Please locate the car seat on the passenger side (it is unsafe to load/unload on the driver side of the vehicle as that is the exit lane for all traffic).
- 2. Please teach your child how to buckle/unbuckle their own car seat and open the door (we do not always have safety patrols available to open doors).
- 3. If your child is not able to buckle their car seat in the afternoons, we will load them into the car and you can pull around the corner of the school where you can pull over and buckle your child.
- 4. Please do not ever get out of your vehicle in the car loop.
- 5. Please pull forward so there isn't any gap between vehicles in the car loop.
- 6. If you plan to get out of your car to walk your child up to the school at arrival time, which is not recommended, either park in the designated parking lot at the front of the school and use the cross walk located by the red book box on the east side OR park at Kelly Park and walk with your child across the boardwalk and to the front gate by our Crossing Guard.
- 7. No cell phone usage in the car loop (In Florida Statutes Section 316.306, it is prohibited to hold in your hand a wireless device, in a work or school zone. You may not operate a vehicle and use your device manually in an active work zone, construction zone, school zone, or designated school crossing.) Warnings and possibly citations may be issued if you violate this law.

We received several questions regarding how families can purchase the new DriFit Blue Uniform shirts. They are available for purchase online only through our uniform vendor All Uniform Wear. Click the link if you wish to purchase these for your child. All Uniform Wear #15 - (auwschools.net)

That's it for this week. I hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Fleeger