



RIVERMONT COLLEGIATE

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Headlines



Dear Rivermont community,

Welcome back to everyone! This year's holiday break got an early start with a snow day on the last day of the semester. Fortunately, many of the "end of semester" and "pre-holiday" activities were held the previous day. Upper School students however did have to return to a "blended" day as they completed final exams for first semester and began classes for second semester. For a brief time, Rivermont straddled the space-time continuum. By mid-week however, everything was back to normal.

The main focus for the next few weeks will be the final preparations for our Academic Fair on Thursday, February 12. Students (and parents?) in Grades 2- 11 will be busy finishing projects, testing inventions, preparing PowerPoints and memorizing scripts. We will keep our fingers crossed that the weather will cooperate with our schedule of events.

Next week is the much anticipated "Spirit Week." Each day features a special theme that builds to a frenzy for the Homecoming Basketball game on Thursday evening. This game is always an overflow crowd of Rivermont fans with spectators literally hanging from the rafters. This year, the Lions will play the Bettendorf JV Bulldogs Thursday, January 15 at 6:00 PM. A 2:45 PM Pep Rally will be sure to excite and prepare Lion fans for a great turnout. Hope to see you all there in your Red & White!

Spirit Week Themes

Monday – Inside-out Day (all School)

Tuesday – Twin Day (MS & US)

Wednesday – Kids' Pajama Day (MS & US)

Thursday – Red & White Day (all School)

Friday – Cartoon Character Day (MS & US)

GO LIONS!

Rick St. Laurent, Headmaster

From the Environmental Club:

The Environmental Club would like to help you recycle your **clean, Iowa Deposit** aluminum cans and glass bottles. For your convenience, Club members will have barrels near the student drop off sites in the circle and on the backside of Becherer Hall on Friday mornings each week. Drop off your children and then drop off those stacks of cans and bottles piling up in the garage.

Thank you for your support. Any questions, contact Linda Hampton or an Environmental Club member.

Lower School

The Happy Reader Club

Lower School students are starting the New Year READING by participating in the Happy Reader Club sponsored by Happy Joe's. Teachers and students will set individual reading goals for January, February and March. When a student meets his monthly goal, he/she will earn a certificate for a free Little Joe pizza.

To qualify for a Little Joe pizza the reading must be at or above the student's reading level. The following books will not count toward a reading goal: comic or cartoon books, and choose your own ending books.



Boy Scouts

Calling all boys in grades 1 through 5. Rivermont's Boy Scout Pack plans to hold a recruitment meeting on Thursday, February 5 at 6:30 P.M. in the auditorium. Boy Scout representative Mike Meadows will

discuss the scouting program and share enrollment information.

Special Guests in 3rd Grade

The third grade had a visit from two professors, who also happen to be fathers of two of our students. Klaus Storl-Desmond's father, Professor Desmond and Sophia Xiao's father, Professor Xiao came to



talk to the class about Pablo Picasso. They brought in various works by Picasso and other artists and talked about Cubism, the Blue Period, the Rose Period, and perspective in artwork. The students were able to ask questions about the artists and about the art. Our special guests also showed artwork on the Promethean board. The students enjoyed their special art lesson.

1780 comes to 5th grade

Marta Storl Desmond's dad, a professor at Augustana, taught the 5th graders history through music by playing songs on his fiddle and guitar from the Revolutionary War Era. Professor Desmond was a professional frailing banjo musician before Marta was born and will be back to visit the class during the Civil War era with banjo music from that Era.



Thanks to Bill Desmond and Peter Xiao for sharing their talents with our students!

Upcoming Events
Mark Your Calendar!

January

- 10** **Saturday Basketball, 9-11 AM**
Varsity Basketball vs. Springville, 4 PM
- 12-16 Spirit Week
- 13** **Varsity Basketball vs. Fulton Unity Christian, 6:30 PM**
- 14** **Parents' Council Meeting, 8:30 AM**
- 15 Homecoming Pep Rally, 2:45 PM
Basketball vs. Bettendorf JV, 6:00 PM
- 16 Homecoming Dance
- 17** **Saturday Basketball, 9-11 AM**
- 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day –No School
- 22** **Lower School Family Math Night, 6:00 – 7:30 PM**
- 23** **Varsity Basketball vs. Scattergood, 6:30 PM**
- 24** **BEST**
Saturday Basketball, 9-11 AM
- 26 Chinese New Year – Year of the Ox
- 28 Upper School Day of Caring
- 29** **Varsity Basketball at Morning Star, 7 PM**
- 30** **Mad Science Day**
Open Tour, 8:30 – 10:00 AM
Young Scholars Open House, 10-11 AM
WinterFest, 3:30 PM
- 31** **Saturday Basketball, 9-11 AM**
Varsity Basketball at Springville, 2 PM

Parent events are in bold & Early Dismissals are underlined.

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2009 Rivermont Homecoming Game



Rivermont Lions
vs.
Bettendorf JV Bulldog



Thursday, January 15, 6:00 PM

Come Support Rivermont!
Red & White Day

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*where there are no spectators,
only participants!*

Contact Admission Director
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