

LONDON ELEMENTARY

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A Note From Mrs. Malin....

We do our very best to communicate with you in multiple ways in order to meet everyone's needs! Below is a list of the ways we will communicate with you this year...

- **London Elementary Facebook Page:** Like us, give us a rating, and help spread the word about our school!
- **London Elementary Instagram Page**
- **School website:** london.russellvilleschools.net
- Our **school district app** for smartphones: Search for RSD.
- **Texts and phone calls** through our school messaging system.
- Communication through your **child's folder** and **Class Dojo**
- **Email**—We are using **Peachjar** to send home community based flyers and notes home. Last week I sent home a flyer regarding the importance of attendance. If you got this email, then we have your email address on file! If you did not get that, please call the office to update your email address with us. You can find a link at the bottom of our school website with all flyers that have been sent home!

We are excited and look forward to one of the best school years ever as we carry out our school mission...

London Elementary...Excelling Every Day in Every Way!



Outstanding Attendance Brag Tags!

This year we are **changing from Perfect Attendance awards to Outstanding Attendance awards!**

Your child will have the opportunity to earn monthly awards as well as quarterly awards! Beginning in September, **monthly brag tags** will be given at the end of each month to students who **only miss 1 or less day that month**. Each month will have a different brag tag! **Quarterly awards** will be given at each awards assembly for students who **only miss 2 or less days during the nine weeks**.

Missing school, regardless of the reason, negatively impacts your child's success. When they are absent, they are missing critical instruction!

Your child should **be at school by 7:55. Wait until 3:15 to pick up your child.** We have **bell to bell instruction**. Being late causes them to miss the start of the day. Checking out early causes them to miss the end of the day, including club time.

If your child has **an appointment that cannot be scheduled after school hours, check them out** when it is time for the appointment and **bring them back** after the appointment.



Our New Tiger Staff

We had new staff members join our London family this year!

- Charity Tallon is our new first grade teacher.
- Aimee Dixon is our new 4th grade teacher for our second fourth grade classroom.
- Kelby Taylor is our new music teacher.
- Janice Peeler is our new Pre-K teacher.
- Ashtyn Hern is our new Pre-K assistant.
- Teri Mitchell is our new GT teacher.



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Home Connection Tip

Get a sense of your child's life at school by asking questions that elicit more than a one-word response. Here are questions to ask instead of "How was your day?"

- What was the best thing that happened today?
- What made you smile today?
- What was the hardest thing you had to do today?
- How did you help someone today?
- What did you do during reading today?
- What did you do during math today?
- What did you do during science today?
- Who did you play with/hang out with today? What did you do?
- What's the biggest difference between this year and last year?
- Who did you sit with at lunch? What did you all talk about?
- Can you show me something you learned or did today?



Important Dates for 1st 9 Weeks

- * **August 31**—London Night at Cyclone Stadium
- * **September 3**—No School: Labor Day
- * **September 10**—Club Time begins!
- * **September 11**—4th Grade Parent Night 6:00 p.m.
- * **September 13**—Cub Scout Informational Meeting 6pm
- * **September 14**—5 Weeks Progress Reports sent home
- * **September 20**—Fall Individual Picture Day
- * **September 20**—PTA Meeting 3:45 in the library
- * **September 27**—K-4 students will go to the Center for the Arts to see Charlie Brown...This is for students and staff only.
- * **October 10**—End of the 1st Quarter



****BICYCLE RODEO HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 3RD TO WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17TH. ****

Friday, October 19—3rd Grade Kickball Tournament

Monday, October 22nd:

Parent/Teacher Conferences 1pm-7pm

Monday, October 22 and Tuesday, October 23:

No school for students/Professional

Development for Teachers

Friday, October 26th: London Fun Fair 5:30 p.m.