



# Ranger Roars

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## Thank You Staff !!!

I would like to take this opportunity during National Teacher Appreciation Week to thank our outstanding staff. The work-ethic, professionalism, and dedication they exhibit each and every day is unmatched. The preparation and planning that they do and professional development that they participate in provides our students with numerous educational opportunities. Their voluntary participation in building, system, and state committees and initiatives often goes unrecognized but is indicative of their desire to continue to make our school highly effective. My thanks go out not only as the building principal, but also as a Tiverton resident and grandparent, who appreciates and sees daily examples of the great educational experience students receive at Ranger.

## Grade 3 & 4 -RICAS Math - May 17th & 18th

## Hello from the Ranger PTO!

Welcome to the magnificent month of May where there is fun and excitement around every corner at Ranger School!! We're kicking things off with our monthly PTO Meeting on Thursday, May 4 th at 6:30pm at Ranger School in the teacher's breakroom where we'll be highlighting all of our upcoming events including; Staff Appreciation Week! Though we appreciate all of our Ranger faculty daily, we always look forward to the opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge all of their hard work throughout the year. We'll also be discussing our very special Spring Scholastic Book Fair which will feature the return of a Parent Shop Night under our newly installed sunshade in the back courtyard of the school. We can't wait to see you there!!

Monday 5/1-Principal Appreciation Day

Thursday 5/4-PTO Meeting at Ranger School @ 6:30pm

Friday 5/5 - School Lunch Hero Day

Week of 5/8 -5/12-Teacher Appreciation Week

Wednesday 5/10-School Nurse Appreciation Day

Friday 5/19 Tiger Pride Day

Monday 5/22-Wednesday 5/24 Scholastic Book Fair

\*Please note that this month's PTO Meeting will be held in The Teacher's Breakroom at Ranger School due to an event at The Tiverton Library\*

# Grade 3 & 4 -RICAS Math - May 17th & 18th

## RICAS Assessments

The Rhode Island Comprehensive Assessment System (RICAS) is a high quality assessment of English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics given to Rhode Island students in grades 3-8.



### Why is RICAS Important?

The RICAS gives teachers, students, and families information about student progress, school performance, and how to improve teaching and learning.



### When will my child take the RICAS?

The **RICAS ELA** assessment window is **March 28 - April 29, 2022**.  
The **RICAS mathematics** assessment window is **April 27 - May 29, 2022**.

Each district and school will determine its own testing schedule within these overall state testing windows.



### How do I know how my child performed on the 2021 RICAS assessment?

Each student who takes the RICAS assessment in English language arts and mathematics had a Student Score Report sent to their school district for them to share with the family. Further information about the Student Score Report can be found at [www.ride.ri.gov/Assessment-Results](http://www.ride.ri.gov/Assessment-Results).



### How long are RICAS assessments?

Total testing time varies by subject.  
Students complete sessions over several days or weeks.

ELA	Mathematics
2 sessions	2 sessions
Suggested testing time per session: 1) 120-150 minutes 2) 90-120 minutes	Suggested testing time per session: 90 minutes

### What types of questions will my child be asked?



Students will answer different types of questions to measure understanding in ELA and mathematics, including multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, "technology enhanced" questions like drag-and-drop, and written responses.

If you are interested in learning more about the types of questions on the assessment, check out the RICAS Released Items and Practice Tests at [RICAS.PearsonSupport.com/Student](http://RICAS.PearsonSupport.com/Student).

For more information: [RICAS.PearsonSupport.com](http://RICAS.PearsonSupport.com) and [www.ride.ri.gov/Families](http://www.ride.ri.gov/Families)



# Reading Week At Ranger

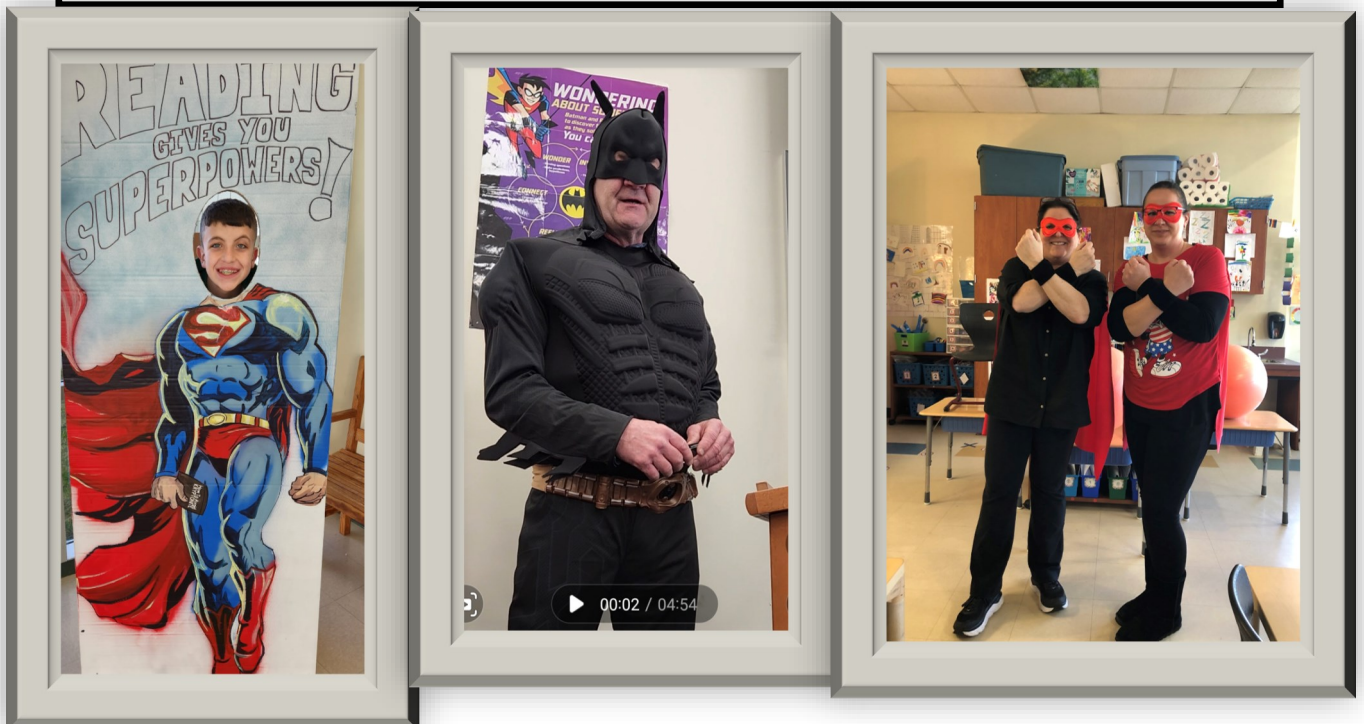
Ranger School celebrated Reading Week the week of April 3rd with the theme “Be a Reading Super Hero!” On Monday, all were encouraged to wear super hero clothing or red, white, and blue. Tuesday was Buddy Reading Day where older students read with younger students. The “Magic of Books” assembly with Tommy James was a huge hit on Wednesday. All enjoyed D.E.A.R. on Thursday where students were able to read and relax for extended periods of time. Some children got quite comfortable!

During the week, students had opportunities to win books. Grades Kindergarten - Grade 2 played Bingo with their “Trick Words.” The winner of each round was awarded a book! Sometimes it is difficult to pick your next book. Grades 3 and 4 participated in Book Tasting. Each child ‘tasted’ (read) at least 6 books for more than a minute each, in hopes that he/she found one that he/she wished to continue reading. Happily, several children found new books to read. Books were awarded to children who happen to be holding a particular book.

Raffle tickets were awarded to students if they were demonstrating positive personality traits such as friendliness, stick-to-itness, kindness, etc. Students put their tickets in cups of the books they hoped to win. Over 20 books were awarded!

Thank you to **Mr. Kane**, our Super Hero illustrator! Also, thank you to the P.T.O. for providing the funds for the books. Of course, thank you to the entire Ranger Community for supporting Reading Week at Ranger School! Remember to celebrate reading every day!

Please see the attached [slide show](#) (to open slide show, right click and go to open hyperlink) with highlights of our week!





## Science Fair 2023







This was a FUN opportunity to do a science project and present it to family and friends!





## **New TPS students can now register online!**

**Registration for the 2023-24 school year opened on February 1, 2023**

Pre-registration is for students who are new to Tiverton Public Schools only. All registrations are completed utilizing the **Online Registration Portal**. Registration information may be submitted at your convenience from a computer or Chromebook at home, or via a kiosk located at our administration office Monday-Friday. The Online Registration Portal will not work on a cell phone. **Please call 401-816-0466 to schedule access to the kiosk.**

**Kindergarten Registration:** Every child who has attained or will have attained five (5) years of age on or before September 1 of any school year shall be eligible to attend kindergarten during all the days that the kindergartens are in session during the school year.

**Go Tigers!**

## **Classroom Requests**

Requests for classroom placement for next year (23-24) should be sent to Mr. Cabral. Please be advised that there is no guarantee that children will be placed in a particular class based on these written requests. The make-up of classrooms is a difficult task that we go through each year. The sending and receiving teachers spend a great deal of time meeting and discussing what is in the best interest of all students. One of the main objectives is equity of students and classes. This, along with students transferring in and out, is one of the main reasons we do not release the lists until the week before school starts. Parent request must be submitted no later than **May 19th**.



# Sunshade Classroom opening Soon!!



# May Calendar of Events

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Elementary Instructional Leads – Supt's Office @ 3:45  
4<sup>th</sup> Evaluation Team Meeting @ 1:00  
Ad Council – Mr. Cabral @ 3:00  
PTO Meeting @ 6:30 at Ranger  
5<sup>th</sup> School Lunch Hero Day  
8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Teacher Appreciation Week  
8<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> STAR, SEL and DIBELS windows 'open'  
9<sup>th</sup> [Teacher Advisory Council @ 2:45](#)  
Faculty Meeting –Library - LETRS Training  
**School Committee Meeting @ 7:00**  
10<sup>th</sup> Teacher PD / DL  
12<sup>th</sup> Atwater & Donnelly Assembly – 9:30 to 10:30  
THS Buddy Reading – Grade 1
- 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> RICAS Testing – Math – Grades 3 & 4**
- 18<sup>th</sup> Evaluation Team Meeting @ 1:00  
Ad Council – Mr. Cabral @ 3:00  
22<sup>nd</sup> -5/26 Book Fair – (Book Fair Night – 5/26)  
23<sup>rd</sup> **School Committee Meeting @ 7:00**  
25<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Photo  
28<sup>th</sup> STAR, SEL & DIBELS Screening Ends  
29<sup>th</sup> **Memorial Day – No School**  
30<sup>th</sup> Aspen Gradebook Opens  
31<sup>st</sup> Retirement / Tenure Celebration – THS Auditorium @ 3:45

## **No Electronics or Toys in School**



This time of year our students tend to bring in some of their games, toys, etc. Unfortunately, problems often arise pertaining to the items. With this in mind, please be aware that **Ranger School students are not allowed to bring any type of electronic devices, games, or toys to school.** School personnel do not have the time to monitor this and the school will not be responsible for anything that is stolen, broken, lost, etc.

All students have access to our library and are strongly encouraged to utilize their time reading, not playing with toys. Computer programs, hands on activities, and additional reading materials are available during indoor recess.

Ample playground equipment is also provided by classroom teachers and the PTO. Your consideration and cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Please Note: Students are allowed to use electronic devices while traveling on buses and at some day cares. These students should leave their personal items in their backpacks during the school day.