



**HALLOWEEN PARADE  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2011  
1:00PM/BUS CIRCLE  
RES THEME...BOARD GAMES**



We're looking forward to another wonderful Halloween parade at RES this year and to make it even more exciting we will have two gigantic (1000 pounds!) pumpkins on loan from Russ DeGrazia, a longtime professional service provider to the schools. We're grateful for this generous loan and hope that these pumpkins will be great motivation to infuse fun learning activities as it relates to different curriculum topics.

As always, please remember to keep costumes age appropriate for an elementary school environment. We do not allow any weapons, no matter how clearly fake or masks that are too gory or bloody. This is often a judgment call for parents when children are begging in the Halloween store, so we ask for your support in keeping this fun event one for the whole family to enjoy.

**SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

**Wednesday Oct. 26**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra, 7:15am, Dr. Rodgers Classroom  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Chorus, 7:35-8:15am, Dr. Caldwell's Classroom, D2

**Thursday, Oct. 27**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus, 7:35-8:15am, Dr. Caldwell's Classroom, D2

**Friday, Oct. 28**

Gardening Club, 2:50-3:50pm, Meet in front of Main Office, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Graders only

**Monday, Oct. 31**

Grade 4 Math Club, 7:15-8:15am, Mrs. Coates Classroom  
Parenting Class with Leslie Cohen-Rubury, 9:00-10:30am/Teacher's Lounge  
HALLOWEEN PARADE, 1:00PM, Bus Circle

**Tuesday, Nov. 1**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus, 7:35-8:15am, Dr. Caldwell's Classroom, D2  
Grade 3 Math Club, 7:15-8:15am, Mrs. Coates Classroom  
Tuesday Zone, at RES, Pick-up is 5:00pm

**Wednesday, Nov. 2**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra, 7:15am, Dr. Rodgers Classroom  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Chorus, 7:35-8:15am, Dr. Caldwell's Classroom, D2

**Thursday, Nov. 3**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus, 7:35-8:15am, Dr. Caldwell's Classroom, D2

**Friday, Nov. 4**

Coffee with the Principal, 8:30am/Cafeteria  
PTA Meeting, 9:15am/Cafeteria  
Gardening Club, 2:50-3:50pm, Meet in front of Main Office



**DON'T FORGET!!!!**

**ALL KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS WILL  
STAY FOR A FULL DAY ON  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 31  
FOR OUR HALLOWEEN PARADE**



**PARENTING SKILLS GROUP LED BY  
Leslie Cohen-Rubury  
FALL SESSION**

9:00-10:30AM  
Monday, October 31  
Teacher's Lounge

**TOPIC:**  
Using Effective Discipline Strategies

The Evening Lecture Series of Parenting Skills with Leslie Cohen-Rubury scheduled for Wednesday, October 26, has been changed to Wednesday, November 9, 7:30-9:30pm in the Teacher's Lounge.

Please see attached flyer for more information

## LIFETOUCH PICTURE RETAKES ARE SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011

If you would like a re-take, please bring the original package with you and return it to the photographer. If this is the first time your child will be photographed, please pick up a picture order form from the front office or welcome desk.

## RES IS NOW UTILIZING A NEW MATH WEBSITE CALLED IXL

*A COMPREHENSIVE MATH PRACTICE SITE*

*The attached letter will give you more information on the IXL program and how to get started on your home computer.*

## *Kindness Klub*

*Will be starting in November. A confirmation letter will be sent home via your child's backpack by Monday, October 31 with notification of the Kindness Klub activities your child will be participating in.*

## NATIONAL DRUG TAKE BACK DAY



Saturday, October 29  
10:00am-2:00pm  
Redding Center Fire House  
Route 107

Across from the Police Department

Please see attached flyer for more information.

## STUFF A BUS FOR THE TROOPS

A campaign run by the Joel Barlow High School Achieving with Integrity Club.

Please see the attached letter for more information.



**Park and Recreation**  
**938-2551**

You can now register for ALL classes online!  
[www.townofreddingct.org](http://www.townofreddingct.org)

**No "Day Of" Registrations Are Allowed**

**Science Enrichment** – MONDAY, 11/14, Playing w/ Polymers, grades K-2, 3:15-4:15, grades 3-5, 4:15-5:15, fee \$20.00.

**Youth Basketball League**, grades 3-8, registration is underway! The forms are on the website and at the office. The fee is currently \$85.00.  
roster!

**Football Fun** – Thursday, 11/10-12/22, 3:10-4:10pm, \$45.00

**Radio City Christmas Spectacular**

Saturday, November 19  
Bus leaves RCC at 10:00am  
Cost: \$85.00

**Peter Pan**

Saturday, December 17  
Bus leaves the RCC at 9:00am  
for the 2:00pm show  
Cost: \$60.00

**TRICK OR TREAT STREET**  
**LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS OCTOBER 27**  
**\$15.00 PER CHILD**  
**LIMITED SPACE!!!**



## SAVE THE DATE

**Monday, October 31**

**Halloween Parade, 1:00pm**

**All Kindergarten students will stay for a full day of school.**

**Tuesday, November 8**

**Picture Retake Day**

**Wednesday, November 23**

**Minimum Day for Thanksgiving Recess**

**12:40pm Dismissal/No Lunch is Served**

**Kindergarten Students will eat lunch in their classrooms and will be dismissed at 12:40pm (not 1:00pm) for Thanksgiving Recess**

**Thursday, November 24**

**Thanksgiving Recess/No School**

**Friday, November 25**

**Thanksgiving Recess/No School**

**Tuesday, December 6**

**Wednesday, December 7**

**Thursday, December 8**

**Friday, December 9**

**Parent Teacher Conferences**

**Minimum Days/12:40pm Dismissal**

**No Lunch is Served**

**Kindergarten Students will eat lunch in their classrooms and will be dismissed at 12:40pm (not 1:00pm) during Parent/Teacher Conferences.**

# CHANGE OF DATE

## Join us for an Evening Lecture Series of Parenting Skills with **Leslie Cohen-Rubury, LCSW**

Get ready to spend a ***MORE*** enjoyable year with your children !! These classes will help with homework, social situations, everyday routines and those difficult times.

**The first lecture begins on Wednesday, November 9th**

Mark your calendars for the remainder of the series:  
December 7th, February 8<sup>th</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**7:30-9:30pm in the Teacher's Lounge**

Open to all RES parents – No registration necessary  
For more information: Call Leslie Cohen-Rubury @ 544-9652  
Or email Leslie at [cohen.rubury@gmail.com](mailto:cohen.rubury@gmail.com)

**SESSION 1:** Staying One Step Ahead of your Child  
**SESSION 2:** Understanding Effective Discipline  
**SESSION 3:** The danger of praise and Overprotection  
**SESSION 4:** The Pitfalls of getting baited INTO  
power struggles and Healthy communication to get  
you OUT of power struggles.



Dear Parent/Guardians,

I am pleased to tell you that we will be using a website called IXL this year. IXL is a comprehensive math practice site with an unlimited number of math practice questions in hundreds of skills — all of which are aligned to the CT state standards. One of the best things about IXL is that your child can access it from home, so you have a chance to see your child's progress!

To get your child started on your home computer, please follow these easy steps:

1. Go to [www.ixl.com/signin/redding](http://www.ixl.com/signin/redding), or you can click the link on the RES homepage.
2. Enter your child's username and password and click *Sign in*.  
(Note: Every child is issued a username and password. Contact your child's teacher or Laura Coates if you do not have this information)
3. Navigate to your child's grade level or one grade level below your child's current grade level...
4. Find a skill to practice by doing one of the following:
  - Select a specific skill to practice from the list of skills. You can place your mouse over any skill to see a sample question and click on the link to begin. Or
  - Click on the *Awards* tab. Each grade level has an embedded game board with challenges for your child to conquer and virtual prizes to be uncovered. Place your mouse over any challenge to begin.

In addition to making math practice exciting, IXL is designed to help your child learn at their own pace. The website is adaptive and will adjust to your child's demonstrated ability level. The site also records all of your child's results, so you can monitor your child's progress anytime by clicking on the *Reports* tab.

I hope you'll encourage your son or daughter to use IXL daily. Here's to a year of working together to make math fun for your child!

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Laura Coates

RES Math Specialist

**Saturday - October 29<sup>th</sup>**

10am – 2pm

# Got **Drugs?**

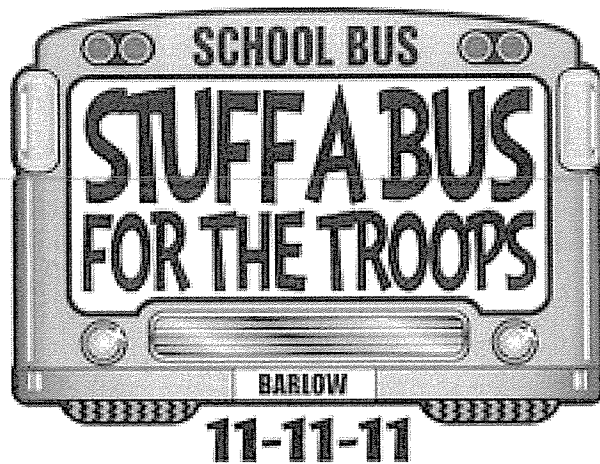
Turn in your unused or expired  
medication for safe disposal  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>



**LIVING DRUG FREE** **RED RIBBON WEEK**  
October 23 - 31

For more information,  
please visit  
[www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov)

**REDDING CENTER FIRE HOUSE**  
**ROUTE 107 ACROSS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



**Dear Elementary/Middle School Parents,**

Over the course of the last few months, the Achieving With Integrity Club at Joel Barlow High School has been working extremely hard to create a campaign that encompasses all of the 'support our troops' programs at Barlow and around the community. Thanks to our club members' time and effort, that idea is a reality, but it cannot be a success without your help.

Stuff a Bus for the Troops, an umbrella theme for all JBHS programs that support our men and women in uniform, aims to set a new standard for participation in outreach programs at the high school and throughout the community. Our hope is that through a joint effort between Barlow's community service clubs and the participation of other local schools and organizations, we can collect enough items in support of our troops to fill a school bus. The bus serves only as a goal for all of the participating groups, looking to show the huge difference we can make if we work together for a common cause.

From now until November 10, 2011, donation boxes will be stationed at the high school, the middle schools, the elementary schools, and several other locations, such as the community centers and libraries in both Easton and Redding. On Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> (Veterans Day) at 2:30 PM, the campaign will conclude with a celebration at Barlow, with those who donated having the opportunity to put the items inside the bus itself. Because different clubs at Barlow will be running fundraisers for different charities, their items will be later taken off the bus and donated as necessary. Any donated goods brought to the middle or elementary schools and community organizations will stay on the bus and be taken to the Fairfield Police Department, as we (The Achieving With Integrity Club) are facilitating these specific collections.

If you would like to donate, there are several priority items which would be most appreciated. This list includes, but is not limited to: beef jerky/Slim Jims, coffee, baby wipes, hand sanitizer, batteries, video games, and cotton T-shirts. For a complete list, visit [www.give2thetroops.org/items.htm](http://www.give2thetroops.org/items.htm). Please note that food in cans, homemade food and several other types of items cannot be accepted.

If you have any questions, feel free to email us: [awicxperiod@gmail.com](mailto:awicxperiod@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

The JBHS Achieving With Integrity Club