

Roosevelt School  
Family Newsletter  
September 30, 2011

State & National School of Character 2010-2011  
National Promising Practice Award Winner 2008-2009  
Oakland Press Educational Excellence 2nd Place Award  
Winner 2009  
National Promising Practice Award Winner 2007-2008  
Michigan Education Excellence Award Winner 2007-2008

## Important Dates:

- **October 5, Count Day.** This is a very important day for all students to be on time and in school.
- **October 11—18, 3rd graders take the MEAP (State assessment)**
- **October 27, Family Fun Night, 6-7pm**

A monthly calendar is located on our school website!

Picture retake day is November 1, 2011 for students that were absent. If you forgot to order, there is still time to order by calling Kaiser Studios 248.619.9119 or visit the website at [www.kaiserstudio.com](http://www.kaiserstudio.com) to place an order.

**Quote of the Week:**  
Happiness springs from doing good and helping others.

Plato

# Important School News

## Principal's Points

Thank you to all the parents who attended Open House & Curriculum Night. Being a partner in your child's education is so important and makes a lasting difference.

Please remember in November we will be holding individual parent/teacher conferences. We do expect and want 100% parent participation.

Did you know the most important homework each night is spending time with your child, reading 20 minutes with your child and making sure he/she gets 10-12 hours a sleep nightly?

## Safe School

In order to maintain a safe, secure environment as we dismiss our students at the end of the day. We ask that you read over this carefully and work with us and follow our dismissal procedures for car riders.

- **Wait in the car circle line. Children will be on the front porch and Mr. Terrell will help them into your car safely.**
- **Park in a designated parking space and pick up your child from the front porch. You may wait outside on the sidewalk for your child to walk onto the front porch. Parents are no longer able to come inside and wait outside your child's classroom.**
- **Children are not able to cross the parking lot without a parent/guardian with them.**

School dismissal is 3:16 pm. At that time all car riders are dismissed to the front porch. Parents are to wait outside for your children to come to the front porch. The bus side of the school is for bus riders only. All car riders will exit from the front door only.

## Brain Based Information

Conscious Discipline has 7 basic skills that adults need to use to constructively focus on behavior, discipline & natural occurring conflicts. The skills promote a peaceful inner state in children. The first skill is Composure. Composure helps children learn no one can make you angry without your permission. Composure assures adults are modeling the person you want children to be. The classroom structures we use to promote composure is the Safe Place, daily classroom meetings and breathing techniques to use. The value this provides is Integrity and its purpose is to help us remain calm & teach children how to behave as our brain functions optimally in a safe environment and anchors our daily learning!