

# ..... RED RIBBON WEEK .....

*Mary Volz School*

OCTOBER 23-27, 2023



Dear Parents,

The last week in October, the students and staff of the Runnemede School District, will be celebrating **Red Ribbon Week**. Every year America's schools celebrate Red Ribbon Week. Students know that Red Ribbon Week is about raising awareness about the dangers of substance abuse.

We will be making anti-drug announcements daily and your child will be able to log onto Red Ribbon Week Google slides to click on and explore videos, games, activities, coloring pages and lots of useful information regarding why we celebrate this week. Each grade level will have age appropriate activities for students to learn from and celebrate this year during their character education time. Our overall Volz theme is **"Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Drug Free!"** Students will be awarded stars by teachers if they are showing kindness, friendship, caring and role modeling exceptional student behavior throughout the week. These stars will be placed on the wall in the cafeteria to be added to our Red Ribbon Week display. Their name will be entered into a special raffle and the winners will be announced on 10/27/23. On Monday, pictures will be taken of your child's homeroom while they are wearing red. These pictures will also be displayed in the cafeteria. There will be daily raffles for students to pick out Red Ribbon Week themed prizes. Your student will also receive a Red Ribbon to wear, a pencil, stickers, a bookmark, a sweet treat and more! Students will also have the opportunity to sign their name on our Volz sign pledging to choose to live a healthy life!

We will be partnering with the *American Red Cross* this year and highlighting our theme of "Being Kind" by collecting for our local Camden County chapter. As you know the American Red Cross provides for our community by bringing together people to care for their neighbors, train people in life-saving skills, collect blood from generous donors and respond to disasters nearly every day. We are asking our students and staff to **donate \$1.00 each**. Our goal is to raise at least \$500 for the American Red Cross.

Each day there will be a theme with a message that students can participate in. **Please see the Red Ribbon Week Theme Day chart below.** Thanks to the Runnemede Municipal Alliance, for their continued support and the reason students can enjoy and learn during this awareness week. Thank you for your support during this celebration!












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# Red Ribbon Week Theme Days 2023

Date	Theme Day Message	Remember to wear...
<b>Monday</b> October 23rd	<b>"Celebrate Red Ribbon Week!"</b> 	<b>Wear Red</b> 
<b>Tuesday</b> October 24th	<b>"Color My World...Drug Free!"</b> 	<b>Wear Bright or Neon Colors</b> 
<b>Wednesday</b> October 25th	<b>"Team Up Against Drugs!"</b> 	<b>Wear Your Favorite Team Jersey or T-shirt</b> 
<b>Thursday</b> October 26th	<b>"Hats off to being Drug Free!"</b> 	<b>Wear a baseball cap or any hat</b> 
<b>Friday</b> October 27th	<b>"Runnemedes goes Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness"</b> 	<b>Wear Pink</b> 