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From the Desk of Ms. Susan

It is hard to believe this is the last week of September, where has the time gone, and so quickly. The weather is defineatly changing. I had a bit of frost on my windows as I ventured out this morning. Please remember to send your children with layers to protect against the changing weather.

As always if you have questions or suggestions please feel free to call me on my cell at (970) 759-5869 or email me at susan.likes@kivacharter.org.

A Little Bit about Ms. RayLynne

My name is Ms. RayLynne, and I am the new Lower Elementary Teacher. I grew up in Texas but returned to my birth state of Colorado after I graduated from high school. I left Colorado shortly after to attend college at Brigham Young University where I studied History and Political Science teaching. I then moved back to Cortez where I taught at the middle school teaching 7th grade reading and 8th grade U.S. History. After 4 years I decided it was time to get a Master's degree, so I moved to Las Vegas, Nevada to attend UNLV where I received my Master's of Education degree with an elementary teaching endorsement. After receiving my Master's degree, I taught in Las Vegas for 10 years.

I met and married my husband in Vegas and that is also where our 3 children were born. We have a 5 year old daughter, a 2 year old son and an 8 week old son.

In August, I once again moved back to Cortez, this time with my family. We are enjoying living here in the community and being closer to family. I am so glad to be part of this school community, and to have the opportunity to work with your children.

Kiva's Week at a Glance

Monday, September 25th - CKMS Board Meeting, 7:00pm Beech Campus

Tuesday, September 26th - Kiva Cafe' 7:30-7:45am - Beech Campus

Wednesday, September 27th - Early Release 1:15pm

Thursday, September 28th - Kiva Cafe' 7:30 - 7:45 - Beech Campus

Friday, September 29th - Kiva Cafe' 7:30-7:45am - Beech Campus

Student Drop Off and Pick Up

Student Drop Off and Pick Up is designated at the Loading Zone in front of the glass shop on North Street. If you would like to park and bring your student in to school or pick them up, please be sure to park behind 18 N. Beech in the Visitor's parking lot.



Please be considerate of the businesses on North and Beech Streets by not parking on these streets during pickup and drop off. If you have questions please see Ms. Susan.

Reading Tips for Home

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Kiva Cafe' will be Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings at 7:30am. Our middle school students will once again be serving hot cocoa, tea, coffee and bottled water. This year, the Kiva Cafe' will be presenting their own take on Hot Cocoa. Be sure to support our Middle Schoolers as they begin their new business venture.

insure academic success is to read to kids at home, OFTEN.

This does several things:

Sends the message that reading is important (if parent stops busy schedule to read).

Sends the message that the child is important (see above). Lets the child hear the flow of language (which helps speech, reading, and writing).

Fosters a love of books by associating reading with quality parent time.