

Rocky Mountain Elementary Cub Reporter



Feb. 2, 2012



Calendar

February 7 – Tuesday
Family Night 6-7 PM

February 9 – Thursday
5th grade ski trip Red Lodge

February 23-24- Thurs/Fri
No School

FOR PARENTS

Just a reminder that you can access your student's lunch account and grades at this address:

ps.bgh1.k12.wy.us

The district website has access to each schools calendar, lunch menu, cub reporter, etc. The address is:

<http://www.bighorn1.com>

AR website for parents
<http://grizzread.bgh1.k12.wy.us>
[US](http://grizzread.bgh1.k12.wy.us)

Our mission statement: Equip all students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for success.

School News:

Principal's Corner: We have had a particularly difficult year when it comes to sickness. It seems that whatever is going around just keeps going around and around. Just when you think your child is better they get sick again. Students complain of headaches, diarrhea, stomach ache, and throwing up. Several people have asked if it is just them. No, it is not just you. Many families are dealing with it. We are trying to be more vigilant with the cleaning here at school. We wipe down desks, door handles, chairs, and any surface that is touched a lot. Teachers are also encouraging students to wash their hands. So, I just wanted you to know that we are trying to do what we can to stop the spreading of any illness that is hanging around.

Family Night: We will be having an all school family night on Tuesday, February 7 from 6:00-7:00. There will be several different activities to participate in. More information will be coming home soon. Please plan to attend and have a fun night with your children!

Little League Basketball: Little League basketball for grades 3-6 will be starting up soon. Cowley Recreation is looking for volunteer coaches. If you are interested please contact Pat Winland at the elementary school (548-2211), or Rod Winland at the middle school (548- 2723) as soon as possible. Practices and games will start in March and end in early April.

Found: A key ring with a memory stick on it were found on the front sidewalk earlier this week. If it is yours, please stop by and identify it.

P.E. News – Mr. Sponsel: During our health units we have been incorporating some fun and interesting health education applications through the use of our class Ipad. We have dedicated days to learning from it as well as playing games that help stimulate learning and make health units fun and interesting. On the same note of incorporating technology into the health and PE curriculums, I have recently purchased an X-Box kinect system with multiple age appropriate games to incorporate the use of technology into PE. With this system all students will get the opportunity to play these motion sensory games related to sport and fitness during allotted PE times. The standard PE curriculum will still be in place with class standards still being met and unaffected by the implement of the X-box.

Classroom News:

Preschool – Mrs. Richards: WOW! Thanks for all the cereal! We have enough to last us for quite awhile. I will let you know if we need more. The preschoolers are coming to the Preschool Snack Bar and ordering their food. Mrs. Peck and I have been modeling how to take orders and serve food. The kids have had fun cooking, cutting and serving lots of food. We are reviewing letters and learning to count by tens up to 100! Mark your calendars for the next **Family Night on February 7th**. It will be in the elementary with the entire school. It will be a great way for your child to see the school and the teachers. It should be lots of fun. Please call if you have any questions.

Snack notes went home for next week. Here is a reminder.

1 package of Napkins: None

1 package 8 oz cups: Hayden, Rebekah, and Quinn

Kindergarten –Mrs. Clark- Mr. Honeyman: In reading this week the new Alpha friend was Queenie Queen. The letters “h” and “l” were reviewed. The reading strategy that we worked on was “evaluate”. This required that the students determine what they liked best about the stories we read. They practiced reading sentences with the high-frequency words “is” and “here.” On Tuesday, Feb. 7th, the class will be taking a reading test! In math the students continued finding the tens in teens. They also identified shapes in objects. They made up and solved math story problems. Monday we celebrated our 100th day of school. Monday the 6th there will be a math test on unit 3.

1st Grade – Mrs. Banks and Mrs. Townsend: February.....the month of love! We will be getting ready by combining President’s Day and Valentine’s Day. Abraham Lincoln kept his important papers in his stovepipe hat so we will be making hats for our special Valentine’s. We will be sending home a note with party details and a list of names of our classmates so your student can address envelopes. Thank you for sharing your children with us, we love working with them☺

2nd Grade – Mrs. Sanders:

2nd Grade - Mrs. Jolley: Our field trip to watch the play “Sylvester and the Magic Pebble” was a lot of fun. Thank you to the chaperones who were able to help. On Tuesday we had our Citizenship party for those students who have been following the rules and keeping our classroom a friendly place to learn. We played Kick Ball and then had Vanilla Sundaes. I really appreciate this great group of students; they work hard and are respectful of each other. In reading we are beginning a new selection called The Great Ball Game. In math the students are working with telling time. Please continue to work on basic math facts with your student. For writing the students have written a descriptive paragraph about our field trip.

3rd Grade – Mrs. Kliewer & Mrs. Zwemer: Telling time is taking up our ‘time’ in math.

3rd graders need to know time to the nearest minute. Parents, you can work with your children and help them practice understanding the hour hand from the minute hand. It is a tough concept for some 3rd graders. Every day they are getting better. Seal Surfer is our new story in reading. We have learned lots of vocabulary having to do with the ocean. It’s fun reading about places far away from Wyoming. Mrs. Zwemer is back teaching mornings. Her class is happy to see her!

4th Grade - Mrs. Troutman & Ms. Merz: This week the Daughters of the Pioneers came to visit and talk to the students about the settlement of this area. Mrs. Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Bridges brought with them items that represented the life of a homesteader. They talked about the hardships of putting in the Sidon Canal System and getting the ground ready to farm. Mr. Bridges showed the students how to make a button toy and then gave them the sting and button to make it. By the end of the hour the students were getting pretty good at getting the buttons to dance. Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Bridges gave us homemade bread with honey butter to eat at the end of their presentation. It was delicious! Thanks again for sharing with us.

5th Grade – Mrs. Crosby: January Book Report Project was so much fun! I loved seeing what artifacts each child brought to describe their book! All of the artifacts were thoughtful and represented well something from their book. Our Ski Trip to Red Lodge is next Thursday! Remember to dress warm and to pack a sack lunch!!! We are looking forward to our Valentine’s Day Party on the 14th as well. Be sure to bring a Valentine for each child in our class as well as a Valentine Box! A note with everyone’s name went home last Friday.

5th Grade - Mr. Winland: Great job on the “Bag of Artifacts” book reports. They were enjoyable to listen to. For this month’s book report, you will make a timeline of 12 major events that happened in your book. You will need to illustrate at least 3 of those events above or around the timeline. Since you are only doing 3 illustrations, they should be your very best work. Remember, an illustration is NOT finding a picture on the internet or clip-art and printing! This is due the first school day in March. Good luck!

Daughters of the Pioneers Presentation to 4th Grade Classes

