JEROME PRAIRIE

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FEBRUARY EVENTS

- 1 Evening Conferences
- 2 Conference Day No classes
- 3 No School
- 6 & 21 Kid's Smile Dental Program
- PTA Meeting (Carnival) 1:00 Staff Rm.
 PTA Meeting 2:10 Library
 PTA Carnival Meeting 5:30 Library
- 14 Valentine's Day Parties No Good News
- 10 Field Trip Mr. Harrington's class goes Tree Planting
- 15 Field Trip Ms. Coppes' class goes to Science Works
- 20 President's Day No School
- 22 District Science Fair Judging District Office
- 24 Open House for District Science Fair District Office 1 – 7:00 PM
- 24 PBIS Assembly @ 8:00 AM
- 28 Spring Photos
- 29 Site Council Meeting @ 2:10

MARCH EVENTS

- 3 Field Trip Ms. Kenney's class goes to Science Works
- 9 End of Trimester
- 12 No School Clerical Day
- 14 PTA Meeting @ 2:10 Library
- 21 Site Council
- 23 PBIS Assembly 8:00 AM
- 26 thru 30 Spring Break



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I am excited to share with you that we have purchased ten new computers for our aging computer lab. We still have a number of computers in the lab that are over six years old, but our budget is stretched to the max this year. It is Lise Van Brunt, Principal Jan Castillo, Office Manager Julie Rauch, Office Clerk Phone: 541 476 2802

Message from the Principal continued:

my goal to replace the remaining computers next year if at all possible. Technology is an increasing tool in the world for everyone and it is our children's future!

Survey coming up in the next few months. We tried doing an online parent survey earlier this year, but we were not quite up to the task at that time. We hope to try again before the end of the school year. When dates are chosen, we will be asking parents to access a link on a computer either at home or at Jerome Prairie so we can get needed feedback regarding our school and how we are serving our students and families.

Parents who don't have access to a computer or the internet will have two weeks to come in and fill out a survey online here. When the time comes, please make sure one adult from your household completed the survey. We will have the survey window open for two weeks so everyone has a good amount of time to get this done. Thanks for helping us grow by providing your feedback on the survey!

Our PTA is working hard already to prepare for our biggest fund raising event of the year our Jerome Prairie carnival. They will really need many willing hands to carry this off and make it a fun family event as well as a successful fund raiser for our school. Please note the carnival planning meetings and our PTA meeting times and dates listed on our event calendar. The PTA really needs more folks than normally attends those meetings. We need folks to set up, run parts of the event and help clean up and put away. Please plan for the future and set aside some time to be a parent volunteer for this great event on April 13th. Some Prep will occur on the 12th. You can contact Cassie Bare at the Carnival Meeting to sign up for the appropriate job for you!

AFTER SCHOOL MATH PROGRAM

Mrs. Jackie Mills-Price is conducting an after school math program for selected 5th graders.

A snack will be provided as sessions begin at 2:00 PM and ends at 3:00 PM. Students will wait by the cafeteria at 3:00 PM for pick up. First day for the program is February 6th with the last day being March 13th.

If your student comes home with a permission slip to participate in the after school math program, please be sure to sign, date and return to Mrs. Mills-Price.

PBIS AWARDS FOR JANUARY

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

Brisa Bedolla, Sean Barnes, Delaney Skinner, Tyler Long, Curtis Humphrey and Clarissa Burns PATIENCE:

Tyler Burt, Matthew Torres, Ellie Gutierrez, Elijah Haley, Alesha Brown and Zayne Teer Congratulations! Great job!



SCIENCE WORKS

On February 15th, Ms. Coppes' class will be going to Science Works in Ashland.

These students, through exploration and team investigation, will get hands-on science reinforcement. They will be introduced to states of matter, chemical reactions and weather through "Bubble-ology". Students will also participate in a live science show that explores the nano through an entertaining and interactive presentation.



RENAISSANCE HOME CONNECT

Jerome Prairie Elementary school uses a software program called Renaissance Place at school. This program has a special feature called Renaissance Home Connect, which your student and you can access outside of school from any computer with an Internet connection. Renaissance Home Connect is fun and easy to use. It allows the teacher, you and your student to share information about your student's progress in Accelerated Reader.

You can view Renaissance Home Connect from any computer with an Internet connection using these browsers:

- Internet Explorer[®] 6.02 or later
- Firefox[®] 2.x or later
- Safari[™] 2.0.3 or later

To log in to Renaissance Home Connect Website: https://Hosted58.renlearn.com/293424/HomeCon nect

User Name: (your student)

Password: (your student's password)

If you would like to receive emails showing your student's test results, click the Email Setup link in Renaissance Home Connect and follow the directions.

To be sure these emails reach your inbox, add <u>homeconnctautodelivery@renlearnrp.com</u> to your address box.



GET AMERICA SINGING AGAIN!

Practice is well under way for Mr. Harrington and Mrs. Richardson's classes to join the Rogue Valley Harmonizers for the "Get America Singing Again" campaign.

The sing along will be held on April 24, 2012, at the Grants Pass High School Performing Arts Center. Our kids will sing along to favorite patriotic and historical songs of America. The song list is as follows: <u>Battle Hymn of the Republic, Danny Boy, She'll be Coming 'Round the Mountain, Home on the Range, Shenandoah, Puff the Magic Dragon, Blue Skies, Oh, What a Beautiful Morning, God Bless the USA, and The Star Spangled Banner. Please mark your calendars.</u>

FIELD TRIP

On Friday, February 10th, the 4th graders in Mr. Harrington's class will be taking a field trip to Elk Lane to participate in a community service based tree planting activity. The students will be learning about the various types of trees found in Southern Oregon. Students will be put into small groups and work with an adult chaperone. They will plant either fir or pine tree seedlings. Buses leave school at 8:00 AM and return by 11:30 AM.



COOL SCHOOLS

On January 10th, Cate Cauguiran, from Channel 10 KTVL, visited our school to film for "Cool Schools". She interviewed several students who were chosen to help represent our school. They also visited several classrooms. The segment will air on February 22 at 5:45 AM and 6:45 AM.

Votes can be registered by going to "KTVL News 10" on Facebook, "Like" the page and go to the questions section on their page. There are two polls. Find the one for Jerome Prairie and then vote. Tell your friends and family about "Cool Schools" and ask them to vote for Jerome Prairie. We are hoping for 1,000 votes, so get busy Jerome Prairie community show your love and support by voting!



VOTE FOR JEROME PRAIRIE ELEMENTARY



"KIDS SMILE" DENTAL PREVENTION PROGRAM

This oral health program is available to 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} grade students. Slips giving permission for treatment were sent home with students in those grades.

Dental screenings with an application of fluoride will be done on February 6th. The Care Van will be here on Tuesday, February 21, to complete any remaining screenings and sealant placements for eligible students.



OUR FAMILY ADVOCACY'S SUPPLY OF SHOES IS VERY LOW. DONATIONS OF NEW/USED SHOES WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU.

February 20 – Presidents' Day

