

Homedale Elementary School Memo



To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
 From: Terri Vasquez, Principal
 Date: October 10, 2016
 Re: Report to Board of Trustees

ENROLLMENT: 448

AM Kindergarten: 41 (1 SPDC)	1 st : 71 (5 SPDC)
PM Kindergarten: 39	2 nd : 96 (4 SPDC)
ELL Immersion AM: 13	3 rd : 95 (2 SPDC)
SPDC (Special Day): 14	4 th : 86 (2 SPDC)
Pre-1 st : 9	

MAP DATA: FALL 2016

<u>READING:</u> (students at 50 th Percentile or higher)	<u>AREA of WEAKNESS / AREA of STRENGTH</u>
Kindergarten: 35%	Foundational Skills / Vocab usage and functions
Pre-First: 44%	Vocab usage and functions / Foundational skills
First Grade: 17%	Foundational Skills / Vocab usage and functions
Second Grade: 37%	Informational Text / Literature
Third Grade: 44%	Vocab acquisition and use / Literature
Fourth Grade: 54%	Vocab acquisition and use / Literature
<u>LANGUAGE:</u> (students at 50 th Percentile or higher)	
Second Grade: 33%	Writing: plan, organize, develop, revise, research / Understand, edit for grammar/usage
Third Grade: 41%	Writing: plan, organize, develop, revise, research / Understand, edit for grammar/usage
Fourth Grade: 46%	Understand/edit mechanics / Understand, edit for grammar/usage
<u>MATH:</u> (students at 50 th Percentile or higher)	
Kindergarten: 31%	Operations/Algebraic Thinking / Measurement and Data
Pre-First: 0%	Measurement/Data/Number and Operations / Geometry/ Operations and Algebraic Thinking
First Grade: 29%	Geometry / Operations and Algebraic Thinking
Second Grade: 25%	Numbers and Operations / Operations and Algebraic Thinking
Third Grade: 35%	Number/Operations, Operations and Algebraic Thinking / Measurement and Data
Fourth Grade: 47%	Number and Operations / Operations and Algebraic Thinking

PTO MYSTERY DAY:

September 13th was the very first PTO Mystery Day. The Homedale Trojan mascot visited the students and cheers were heard throughout the school and all over campus. All students received a red “Homedale Trojans” bracelet! Thanks, PTO and Homedale Trojan! You made the day so much fun for our students!



KEEP IT UP PARTY:

There were 48 students who maintained or bettered their Spring IRI score on the Fall IRI test. These students were surprised with root beer floats and an extra-long recess with fun equipment loaned to us by Coach Long. This was a great motivator and they want to better their score every month!

SUMMER SLIDE:

This is the best year HES has had in terms of “summer slide”. The percentages show the amount lost (or decline in proficiency) over the summer on the Idaho Reading Indicator assessments.

	Spring - Fall 2012	Spring - Fall 2013	Spring - Fall 2014	Spring - Fall 2015	Spring - Fall 2016
Kinder to 1 st	42%	26%	24%	24%	4%
1 st to 2 nd	37%	37%	23%	27%	9%
2 nd to 3 rd	40%	27%	28%	8%	10%
3 rd to 4 th	30%	35%	36%	31%	15%

WAGONS HO!

Wagons Ho was held for the 4th grade students on September 28th on the East Playground. This hands-on “field trip at school” gives students a chance to experience what life was like on the frontier. The students experience things like exploring a covered wagon, roping, washing clothes on a washboard, leather work, games, making buttons from wood, and creating a campfire. Stations were set up around the playground to show the different aspects of pioneer living. It is a museum that has come to life. Parent chaperones helped at each station. The students made a beautiful wood-burned sign for our school.



MAYOR'S WALKING CHALLENGE – WALK-TOBER:

Students will be joining Mayor Gheen Christoffersen for the Mayor's Walking Challenge. This is the second year we have participated and are hoping to win our division again! Last year we won \$2,000 and this year's cash prize is \$3,000! We could also win an additional \$2,000 for the highest average miles walker per student. Mr. Long led a Kick-Off Event on Monday, October 3rd with Mayor Christoffersen. Students will walk during PE times, their recess times when Mr. Long schedules "Walking Club", and whenever their teacher takes them out. Miles will be logged through Monday, October 31st.



DICTIONARIES FOR 3RD GRADE

The Caldwell Rotary delivered dictionaries for every third grade student on October 4th. We certainly appreciate their support.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 10-13 – Fire Prevention Week
- Oct. 13 – Scratch for Schools
- Oct. 20 – Picture Retakes
- Oct. 23-31 – Red Ribbon Week
- Oct. 26-27 – Conferences
- Oct. 31 – Halloween Parties