

Homedale Elementary School Memo



To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
From: Terri Vasquez, Principal
Date: April 10, 2017
Re: Report to Board of Trustees

ENROLLMENT:

AM Kindergarten: 43 (+2 Spec. Day)	1 st Grade: 73 (+4 Spec Day)
ELL Kindergarten (AM): 13	2 nd Grade: 96 (+4 Spec Day)
PM Kindergarten: 38	3 rd Grade: 96 (+2 Spec Day)
Pre-First: 13	4 th Grade: 89 (+2 Spec Day)
	Special Day (COSSA): 14

CONFERENCES: We had 86% attendance to our Spring Conferences in March.

BOOK FAIR: The PTO held a book fair during conferences. They made \$5,613 (\$3,702 in book credit) which is the most money they have ever earned. The PTO went with a local book fair company out of Meridian and received 60% back instead of the standard 50% from Scholastic. Teachers made a “wish list” for parents to buy books and for the teachers to receive new books for their classrooms. We certainly appreciate the parents and PTO for their support!

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART: Mr. Long held a week-long Jump Rope for Heart event during his PE classes. Students secured pledges from family and friends. The students raised around \$500 for the American Heart Association.

FIRST GRADE NEXT YEAR: With 81 Kindergarten students plus the 13 Pre-First students, there would be 94 possible First Grade students for the 2017-2018 school year. With a possible 12-13 students going to Pre-First, there would still be 27 students per classroom with only 3 First Grade teachers. That number is unacceptable in a primary classroom. My options are to have Mrs. Harper teach First Grade again and do away with the Pre-First program, or discuss hiring another First Grade teacher.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 6-20 -- 3rd Grade to Caldwell YMCA for “Make A Splash”
April 10 – DWA Assessments begin
April 11 – Kindergarten Screening 1:00-7:00 pm
April 14 – Staff Inservice
April 19 – Boise Art Museum 2nd Grade
April 24 – ISAT Begins
April 24 – 1st Grade to Zoo
April 26 – 2nd Grade to Boise Watershed & Foothills Learning Center
May 1-5 – Teacher Appreciation Week