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# Panther Pride News

February 2015

## News from the Principal

Dear Families,

February has arrived! Hopefully you received your child's report card which was sent home on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher. We look forward to conferencing with you again in April.

As with all other areas of your child's education, we will continue to ask you for your support in making this year a success. Attendance plays a significant role in academic success. Please make every effort to have your child at school every day. The flu bug has hit Fruitdale. We are doing our best to encourage students to wash their hands as much as possible. It is also important for students to arrive to school on time. Please remember, our bell rings at 7:35am.

We are looking forward to our annual Science Night. Heather Richter has been organizing this opportunity since the beginning of the year and I believe it is going to be even bigger than before. Fruitdale families are invited to an exciting night full of hands-on science activities. Please mark your calendars for February 19, 2015. The event will begin at 6:00pm.

On behalf of the staff of Fruitdale Elementary School, thank you for all of your efforts. We are looking forward to continuing a great year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.

Sincerely,

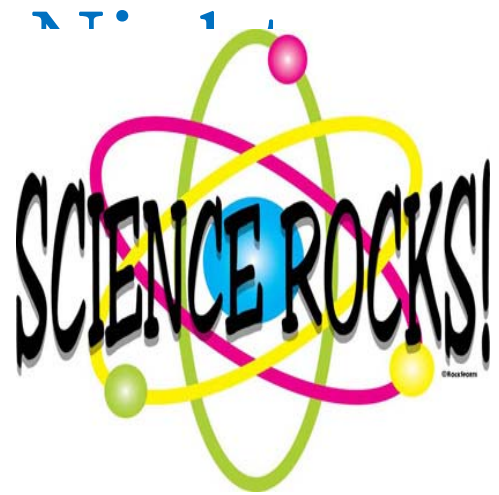
Heather Yount

## Immunizations

It's that time of year that students must be up-to-date with their immunizations. The exclusion date is fast approaching. If your child is not up-to-date we will notify you. If your child is in need of a vaccine please take care of it as soon as possible.



Fruitdale's **Family Science** night is coming. We will have several different activities going on. We will have OMSI here from Portland, and several other activities from our surrounding areas. We will have a food and activity booth put on by the Parent Panther Pack. Help is needed for set up, clean up, and working the booths; there is a sign-up sheet in the office. So save the date: February 19th at 6:00pm. Please plan on attending! It's going to be FUN!



## Students of the Month

Our PBIS team ask our students to follow the Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be Responsible rules. The Month of January the out standing students from each class are... from Mrs. Eames Jayden Saul, Mrs. McKee Tayvon Nieto, Mrs. Lomica

Markus Ray, Mrs. Duke Weston Berg, Mrs. Garcia Ean Hope, Miss Hollenbeck

Amberlyn Blendell, Mr. Christensen Nevaeh Morse, Mrs. Duewel Coral Holbrook, Mrs. Bohannon Cooper McCord, Mrs. Pugsley

Katelyn Quezada, Mr. Haynes Deanna Dice, Mrs. Sheehan Alberto Lita & Mrs. Ross Alesana Noga. Congratulations and keep up the good work!

## Panther Pack News

We are in need of a few good volunteers! We have some great events coming up and are needing some extra helping hands to make them run smoothly.

Science Night is next month on February 19th and we need parents to sign up for 30 minute sessions to help oversee our Activity and Food Booths! We will need help assembling the snack bags and setting up the activity booth after school on the 19th, as well

as running the booths in the evening. The library is also needing assistance with the upcoming Book Fair. Sign up sheets are in the front office. Any and all help is greatly appreciated! Please spread the word to other parents as well.

Also, we would LOVE to open up the PBIS Store on a regular schedule again! We are looking for parent volunteers to help during lunch times on Fridays! The kids would love to redeem their hard earned Panther Paws

for fun rewards at the student store!

Please contact the PTO if you have any questions! Thank you all for your support in these great events for our kids!!

\*\*Our next meeting will be after school February 4th! Mark your calendars!\*\*

Best Wishes,  
*Melissa Bailey*

Panther Pack PTO

# Dates to Remember

4th grade planting trees.....	2/6
Class Parties.....	2/13
No School (holiday).....	2/16
Science Night 6pm.....	2/19
Site Council meeting.....	2/26
Science Fair.....	2/26
Spring Break .....	3/23 ~ 3/27

## Fruitdale



Hello Fruitdale families. We are doing some awesome reading this year. As of mid-January you checked out a total of 17,192 books, 6,642 of which were non-fiction! Thanks to your participation in our fundraising endeavors (*Box Tops*, *Smencils*, *Japanese Erasers* and *Scholastic Book Fairs*), I have been able to purchase and process nearly 1200 new books.

Get ready for the SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR! Our fair is scheduled for the week of February 16 and will be open during Science Night on February 19. We will, again, participate in the One For Books program that helps our school library and buys up to one million books for charity and literacy programs. Please consider a generous donation. Scholastic is offering a great new book fair option called the ONLINE BOOK FAIR!!! This exciting program will allow families to order online. The inventory online will include series, sets, classics and many books not available during our fair. The online book fair will be available before, during and after the book fair. You can find it by visiting our homepage @ <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/fruitdale> . The homepage will help you volunteer and find a preview. I can always use help with the fair.

There are still some outstanding books and fines from last year and from the Summer Library Program. Please help your student to learn RESPECT and RESPONSIBILITY by returning books and paying fines. It is very hard for me to have to deny a child access to library books because of a few dollars. I am happy to create a payment plan and will take as little as a few cents at a time toward fines.

Don't forget that parents and siblings are welcome to check out books from our library and I strongly encourage you to participate in programs offered by the Josephine Community Libraries. Library cards are free, although donations are needed and appreciated, and include access to thousands of digital books and resources through *Learning Express Library* (offers online practice tests, tutorials and career advancement tools) and *Library2Go*.



## We Recycle !!

If you have any used print cartridges that you would like to get rid of Fruitdale will take them! Please send the Cartridges with your child to the front office. Thank you for your support

## We collect Box Tops

If you have any box tops please send them to the Fruitdale office, we collect them!! This is a good way to purchase different items for the school. If you have any questions please contact the school at 541-467-



## Book Fair

The Book Fair is coming! It will be in the Library from Thursday, February 12th thru Friday, February 20th. Parents are needed to help kids with checking out during school lunch hours and during Science Night February 19th. Signup sheets are in the front office.

## STUDENT STORE (PANTHER DEN)

**Help** us to open the Student Store! We are asking for volunteers to run the Panther Den on Fridays during the lunch hours from 11:00am-12:30pm. The kids are eager to redeem their hard earned Panther Paws for fun prizes! Signup sheets are in the front office.

