JEROME PRAIRIE MARCH 2012



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**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
- 15 PBIS Assembly Scott Perry
- 21 Crazy Hat/Hair Day!
- 21 Site Council Meeting
- 21 23 Book Fair
- 22 Wear Jammies to School Day!
- 22 Reading Night 6:00 8:00 PM
- 23 Wear a Pirate Costume Day!
- 23 PBIS Assembly 8:00 AM

26 thru 30 - Spring Break

#### **APRIL EVENTS**

- 11 PTA Meeting @ 2:10 Library
- 13 Carnival @ 5:00 PM
- 25 Site Council Meeting

## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Well, Spring is about ready to be sprung! Kids are already thinking about our spring break and before we know it school will be finishing up for the year. Many classes will be going on field trips in the near future. It is important that parents remind students that field trips are a privilege to do extra learning outside of the school. Students who have behavior issues at school may not get to go on a field trip. Frequent trips to the Ed Lab for behavior, referrals and or bus citations could cause a child to be removed from a field trip. Mrs. Van Brunt will make those decisions for individual students if needed. Safe, respectful and responsible behavior at school will be the ticket to be able to go along!

We sincerely hope that all kids will earn those privileges.

Reading at JP for the Month of March:

The PTA is holding the annual READ-A-THON during the month of March. We will be celebrating reading and encourage school spirit at Jerome Prairie the week of March 19-23<sup>rd</sup>. Wednesday, the 21<sup>st</sup>, all students and staff may wear their craziest hat/hair day. March 22<sup>nd</sup> will be Pajama Day. All students and staff are invited to wear their most fun, school appropriate jammies to school that day. We will be having a book fair complete with a Hawaiian theme. The evening of March 22<sup>nd</sup>, all students and their parents will be invited to a special Reading Event at school from 6:00-8:00p.m. Students and at least one adult are invited to wear their jammies and bring their favorite books to share. Bring your favorite blankies and pillows so we can snuggle up and read, read, READ! Reading will take place in Rm. 10. A fun movie will be shown in the gym during this time. Kids and adults who attend will also be treated to free cookies and milk! Mrs. Van Brunt will be there in her favorite jammies and slippers too! The book fair will be open in the library for parents and kids to buy at the same time. Parents must supervise their children during this event. There will be limited school staff that evening. COME ONE, COME All!

Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> will be dress as a Pirate Day! The book fair will be open at lunch recesses and after school that day. Costumes must be school appropriate and comfortable to wear. No toy weapons are allowed. Each class will choose their best pirate costume winner for special recognition. YO HO Pirates!

## PBIS ASSEMBLY WELCOMES SCOTT PERRY

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, Scott Perry will perform at 10:00 AM during our PBIS Assembly.

Students will be able to attend this concert if they have one or less referrals, or one or less bus citations and no more than three visits to Ed Lab per month.

Scott Perry is a songwriter and performer. He uses puppetry to teach about bullying issues.

### PBIS AWARDS FOR FEBRUARY

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: John Edmondson, Quade Crume, Ellie Gutierrez, Whitney Harris, Hailee Campbell and David Countiss

COMPASSION: Junior Ruiz-Kirk, Lauren Nieves, Aiden Crowley, Desire Harp, Leah Staten and Quinton Hyde



#### **UPDATED CHAPERONE REQUIREMENTS**

regarding Requirements volunteering changed. If you intend to volunteer at school or as a chaperone for a day field trip, a "Volunteer" form must be completed and a character reference check will be done prior to volunteering and/or participating in the field trip. For those that plan on being a chaperone on an overnight field trip you must, at least seven days prior to the trip (if you have not done so) complete volunteer forms and turn it into the office together with a copy of driver's license and social security number. A background check is completed by our District Office and chaperones must be cleared prior to the overnighter. There is no cost to chaperones for the background check. Thank you for volunteering at our school.



#### **REMINDERS**

 UPDATING YOUR INFORMATION - If your telephone number or email address has changed since completing the Enrollment Form, please provide the office with the new information. Synrevoice will call or email to the contact information in our system to inform parents/guardians of late starts, snow days, emergency information, etc.



- AFTERSCHOOL PLANS Many parents have been providing written notes to the office regarding any change in after school plans for their students and that is greatly appreciated. This is just a friendly reminder, for the safety of your child, to send a signed note to school with your student if plans are different from the normal. Sometimes there are emergency situations that arise and a phone call as early in the day as possible is best.
- If a student has not been picked up in a timely manner, he/she will be at the office.
  Please come to the office to pick up your student. Students must be accompanied by an adult when crossing the street to the parking area.
- Tardy please walk with your student to the office to get a tardy slip.

## **NEW STAFF MEMBERS**

- Denise Williams, Educational Assistant (Ms. Coppes and Mrs. Lovell)
- Megan Beck, Educational Assistant (Mrs. Lovell)
- Judy Standley, Educational Assistant (Ms. Kenney and Mrs. Lovell)

## **SCIENCE FAIR**

Mr. Harrington worked with students participating in Three Rivers District's Science Fair.

Students, together with chaperones, Stacy Countiss and Megan Beck, boarded a bus on Wednesday, February 22, for the District office at 8:10 AM to set up their projects. Students remained by their projects until two judges had the opportunity to judge their entries.

Ribbons and category awards were placed on the winning projects on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, during Open House. Projects remained on display until 7:00 PM Friday evening.

Results of the Science Fair are as follows:

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<u>Name</u>	Title of Entry	<u>Award</u>	
Brenna Bare	Baking Soda Test	Participation	
Daniel Beachy	Comparing Strength	Bronze	
	Of Homemade Glue Recipes		
Clarissa Burns	My Telescope	Participation	
<b>David Countiss</b>	<b>Temperature Tasting</b>	Participation	
Rachel Polster	Good Mood Food	Bronze	
Annika Sellke	Guinea Pig Test	Participation	
Lily Sloan	Our Eroding Earth	Bronze and	
	ŀ	Hon. Mention	
Hailey Williams	Comparing Laundry	Bronze	

Claire Wood Eye Movement Test Participation Congratulations to everyone and special thanks to Mr. Harrington.

Detergents



## **GIRLS ROCK**

Free, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual **Girls Rock** will be held on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at South Middle School (350 W. Harbeck Road, Grants Pass). This is a fun-filled event for girls ages 9 – 13 accompanied by a parent or adult. Doors open at 8:30 AM. Workshops begin at 9:00 AM and ends with lunch at 1:00 PM. Some of the workshops are: FlashMob, Self Defense, Imagineering, Tanagrams, Burs R Us, Improvisation and more. For more information, call 541 479 6421.

### **PTA NEWS**

Our PTA is diligently organizing and planning for the Winter Carnival scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup>. One of the items they are working on is the "Silent Auction" baskets with themes as follows:

- Gardening gloves, bulbs, etc.
- Health & Beauty salon gift certificates, curling iron, lotions, candles, etc.
- Games (indoor & outdoor) cards, horse shoes, etc.
- Sweets, Teas & Coffee candy, hot chocolate, mugs, etc.
- Italian pasta, sauces, herbs, olive oil, etc.
- Horse bits, grooming supplies, gift certificates to Grange Co-op/Farmers, etc.
- Scrapbooking acid free paper, photo albums, adhesives, stickers, etc.

Items are needed to fill these baskets. Donations of items and/or money will help immensely and would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to those of you who have already brought in donations.



# **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

March 21 – 23 Book Fair

March 21 - Crazy Hat/Hair Day

March 22 – Wear Jammies to School

March 22 – Reading Night 6:00 – 8:00 PM

March 23 – Wear a Pirate Costume Day!

March 23 - PBIS Assembly @ 8:00 AM (Gym)

SPRING BREAK March 26 - 30

