Elementary School Board Report April 15, 2019 Mrs. Shepard Respect. Integrity. Excellence.

TROJAN PRIDE - BE RESPECTFUL, BE RESPONSIBLE, BE SAFE

Claire Gorder, Serenity Howe, Landon Lee, Honesty Winrow, Edy Schwendinger, Annabelle Rivers

Trojan Pride Table- Maggie Young, Johanna Oian, Ella Timm, Adalyn Colbenson, Claire Shepard, Cambria Bauer

2018 - 2019 Reading Year Bike Winners:

Teigen Johnson - Preschool, Emily Johnson, Ryder Messenger - 1st grade, Becky Lind, Emily Helgemoe - 3rd grade, Jade Pelzl, Henry Meyer - 3rd grade, Hannah Pape, Ben Ryan - 3rd grade, Sydney Huntley, Morgan Rye - 4th grade, Jon Theuer

Top Readers Per Class:

Tearne Smith - Preschool, Courtney Fricke, Brayden Engler - Preschool, Emily Johnson – AM, Liam Peterson - Preschool, Emily Johnson – PM, Adeline Johnson - Preschool, Alison Kjos, Claire Gorder - Kindergarten, Lacey Drinkall, Bently Engler - Kindergarten, Krissy Kelly, Hudson Lee - 1st grade, Becky Lind, Jack Rislove - 1st grade, Jessica Burt, Ella Timm - 2nd grade, Fay Himlie, Isaak Michel - 2nd grade, Patty McAllister, Kyle Britson - 3rd grade, Sydney Huntley, Camdyn Rye - 3rd grade, Hannah Pape, Kenzie Rasmussen - 3rd grade, Jade Pelzl, Sophie Meyer - 4th grade, Meredith Johnson, Cole Timm - 4th grade, Jon Theuer, Emilee Peterson - 4th grade, Mary Wolter, Kayla Magin - 5th grade, Emily Charlebois, Cambria Bauer - 5th grade, Chris Drinkall, Shelby Tesch - 5th grade, Dave Lind

Class with Most Minutes Read: Mrs. Burt's 1st Grade with 57,878 minutes.

Total Minutes Read Combined Pre - 5th: 414, 830 minutes

Student with Most Minutes Read: Sophie Meyer - 4th grade, Meredith Johnson, with 9,173 minutes'

Celebration of the Young Musician Festival- April 5th took place at Lanesboro Public Schools. Mr. George took 9 students leaving at 1:15pm and get picked up @ 7:45pm from Rushford.

<u>4th Grade</u> Destiny Corcoran, Anna Schwanke, Ariana Bettinger, Nevaeh Kniseley, Dorothy Halder, Emiliee Peterson, Hunter Lee, Ryker Dahl, Layne Peterson, Bradley Volker

<u>5th Grade</u>Kaitlyn Bunke, Lillian West, Brenda Medley, Treyten Hegland, Annabelle Rivers, Alexa Smith, Shelby Tesch, Kennedy Diepenbrock, Megan Rislove

The **Booster Club** board approved to cover the Eagle Bluff field trip again this year at \$2,346.00. Thank you for your support!

Field Trip Dates—Kindergarten-May 22nd - International Owl Center

1st- May 23rd - Children's Museum

2nd- May 15th - Eagle Center

3rd - May 22 Slide into Safety Day

4th - May 10th - Forestville & Mystery Cave

- May 21 - Tesmer Farm Safety Day Camp

5th - May 1,2,3 - Eagle Bluff

The initial results of the **Sumdog SE Minnesota Contest**. Congratulations to Jessica Burt's class on being the daily winner for Friday, as well as to all of you that are participating for the great job that your students are doing! Not only does R-P have 6 students currently in the top 10 of the contest (out of 332 students), but the overall Top 10 class rankings are filled with R-P classes: #1 - Mrs. Burt #3 - Mrs. Johnson #5 – Mr. Drinkall #6 - Mr. Lind #7 - Mrs. Charlebois #9 - Mrs. Wolter

Elementary Classroom Updates-

Kindergarten- We are excited to begin their life cycles units. Last week the kindergarten classes received live tadpoles and Painted Lady Caterpillars. The students will get to watch them grow and change into frogs and butterflies. The students will also plant seeds for the plant life cycle and learn about the life cycle of a chicken.

1st **Grade-** We have really enjoyed learning about shapes in our two and three-dimensional geometry unit. In language arts, we have been focusing on vowel digraphs, consonant patterns, compound words, suffixes, and adjectives. We are very excited about spring; therefore, students have been writing about the various activities they can do in the spring!

2nd Grade-We completed a unit on measurement. The children are enjoying the times when they are able to read a book. Everyone was excited for spring weather!

3rd Grade- We has been busy preparing for our MCA reading and math test these last few weeks and are happy with how hard our students have been working. We have moved on to geometry in math and have continued to talk about physical and chemical changes in science. We are looking forward to some warmer weather to enjoy some more outdoor activities!

4th Grade- We will be planting trees at 9:30 on Friday April 26th with city workers (Arbor Day) We've planned our pen pal lunch for Thursday, May 2

5th Grade-We are preparing for their Math, Science, and Reading MCA tests which will take place in the next few weeks. We are also getting ready for our 3 day, 2-night trip to Eagle Bluff. The students are very excited for the opportunity to stay overnight with classmates and be involved in many activities dealing with nature, hiking, and animals in the wilderness.

EL- English Language Learners completed their ACCESS tests. We usually get results from those tests during the summer. Currently, R-P serves 9 ELs and will potentially have 2 more starting in Kindergarten next year. I attended a training called Talk, Read, Talk, Write and have been trying the strategy in my EL classroom. I am excited to bring this forward to staff!

Title 1 and Intervention programs, along with funding from the Foundation for R-P Schools, and the R-P Booster Club, sponsored screenings of the documentary Screenagers, for the R-P community and students in grades 4-12. The viewing was well received by students and adults, and it started a very important conversation about the struggles families are having over social media, video games, and academics. It discussed some of the research that has been done to better understand the effects that all this screen time is having on our children's development and academic achievement, as well as offered solutions on how we can help our children navigate the digital world. Approximately 50 parents and grandparents attended the public viewing event.