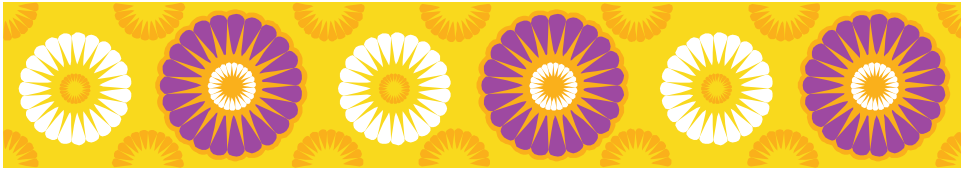


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MAY EVENTS

- 2 Farm to Market (9:00 to Noon)
- 3 Conference Day 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
(No School)
- 4 Furlough Day (No School)
- 7 Smokey the Bear 8:00 AM – Mrs. Tocher
- 7 thru 11 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 8 & 9 5th Grade Overnight Field Trip at Siskiyou Institute
- 9 Fire Station Field Trip – Mrs. Lovell and Ms. McKee
- 9 Kindergarten Round Up – Noon to 2:00 PM
- 16 Table Rock Hike – Mr. Harrington and Mrs. Richardson
- 18 & 19 PTA Rummage Sale
- 18 Staff Development Day (No School)
- 23 Volunteer Tea at 12:30 PM Library
- 23 Site Council Meeting – 2:05 Library
- 25 PBIS Assembly 8:00 AM Gym
- 28 Memorial Day Holiday (No School)

JUNE EVENTS

- 1 5th Grade Jet Boat Trip/Bowling
- 8 "Moving On"
- 11 All Awards Assembly 8:00 AM Gym
- 12 Last Day of School
Field Day/BBQ



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

As our year begins to draw to a close, I want to thank each of you for taking the time to read this message. Your child's education is so important and sometimes this is our only means of communicating a variety of important information to each of you!

Message cont'd. Clothing reminders:

As our weather warms up, please remind your child about appropriate school dress:

- No spaghetti straps or tank tops with low cut necks or under arms.
- No backless or bare midriff tops. Belly buttons should not show. Pants also need to be cut high enough for modesty both in the front and back.
- No flip flops or other strapless shoes. Shoes need to have a strap around the back of the foot as well as across the top in order to protect feet. Closed toes are best for playground safety.
- Students who have inappropriate shoes may not be allowed to participate in outside recesses or other P.E. type activities for their safety.
- Shorts should be fingertip length or longer.
- No see through fabrics or those with multiple holes unless another shirt is underneath for modesty.
- No clothes with large or gaping holes that expose skin.

Student behavior:

Remember that student behavior tends to change in ways that aren't always positive as the weather warms and the end of the year nears. It is important that you follow up on any concerns voiced by the teacher, the bus driver, or the office. We want each child to make safe and appropriate choices while at school or on the bus right up to the end! We appreciate your efforts to help us with that issue. **Some students who have repeated or serious referrals will not be allowed to attend field trips or participate in other fun events.**

PBIS AWARDS FOR APRIL

On Friday, April 27, the following students were recognized:

LIFE SKILL OF FAIRNESS:

Lovell -	Dane DeSoto
Tocher -	Cheyenne Smith
Kenney -	Tanner York
Richardson -	Seth Williamson
Harrington -	Annabell Brown
Katz -	Hannah Crites

STUDENT OF THE MONTH:

Lovell -	Sasha Gutierrez
Tocher -	Chloe Larsen
Kenney -	JD Dean
Richardson -	Justin Kelly
Harrington -	Matthew Rush
Katz -	Claire Wood

ROTARY STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Rotary Club honored Rachel Polster as Jerome Prairie's Student of the Year at a luncheon on April 11. Rachel enjoyed pizza and salad at Wild River Pub with her parents, Kevin and Jodi Polster, Mrs. Van Brunt and approximately 70 Rotarians.

After being introduced by Mrs. Van Brunt, Rachel gave a speech sharing a little bit about her activities. She expressed her appreciation to her family, friends, teachers and coaches for their support.

Rotary Club presented Rachel with a framed "Student of the Year" certificate and some wonderful gifts. Rachel enjoyed the experience and feels honored to have been chosen as Jerome Prairie's Student of the Year.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

Round Up is scheduled for May 9th from Noon to 2:00 PM.

Please be sure to bring your child's birth certificate and immunization record. Remember that your child must be five years old by September 1, 2012, to be eligible to attend kindergarten.

If your child turns five years old between September 2nd and November 15, you may apply for early entry by contacting the District Office at 541 862 3111 for an application. There is an application fee of \$50.00.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Jerome Prairie would like to extend a giant "Thank You" to our 2012 Battle of the Books contestants.

Team One was made up of third grade students and Team Two was made up of fourth grade and fifth grade students. Each team was responsible for reading ten books and remembering minute details for the battle.

Team One Members: Weston Flow, Aileen Poynter and Noel Sandeen competed against eight schools in our district and won **FIRST PLACE**.

Team Two Members: Daniel Beachy, David Countiss, Annika Sellke and Lily Sloan competed against nine schools in our district and won **SECOND PLACE**.

This a major wind for our school and we are very proud of our participants. We must also express our appreciation to Alicia Beachy and Stacy Countiss for devoting their time and energy to prepare our students for the competition and for their support during the battle.

Jerome Prairie's victory is a direct result of the hard work of our coaches and our contestants.



PTA CORNER

Carnival: The carnival was a huge success due to the efforts of so many people. PTA sends a special "thank you" to Cassie Bare, Carnival Chair, and to those many volunteers who devoted their time, energy and creativity ensuring that this Carnival was enjoyed by all participants.

Megan Beck, Stacy Countiss and Kathy Luna did a lot of the leg work and provided their experience from past carnivals. Coordinating decorations and staffing our booths were our room moms: Tammie Campbell, Rachel Sandeen, Emily Meade, Bobbie Crowley, Kristin Hale, Cassie Bare and Stacy Countiss.

This was an enormous undertaking and the staff and students of Jerome Prairie appreciate the efforts of everyone who helped make it successful.

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Read-a-Thon: Thanks to all that participated in our Jerome Prairie PTA Read-a-Thon fundraiser. A little over \$1,500.00 was earned that will be spent on enrichment activities for our students.

The PTA would like to recognize our grade level medal winners for the most minutes read. Recognized are the following:

GOLD:

Carter Campbell, Junior Ruiz-Kirk

Max Sloan

Weston Flow

Lily Sloan

Kaelyn Sharp

SILVER:

Rylan Wilhelm

Brisa Bedolla

Leah Beachy

Aileen Poynter

Daniel Beachy

Jaden Mikits

BRONZE:

Shay Duncan

Cody Rommes

Drew Selke

Whitney Harris

Annika Selke

Adam Parris

All participants will have an extra recess. Students that raised \$100.00 or more and the top readers from every classroom will be invited to a special activity party that will be held the last hour of school in the latter part of May.

Yard Sale:

The yard sale will be held May 18th and 19th on school grounds. Please consider donating your time and/or your clean, gently used items to help raise money for our kids. Watch for more information regarding the yard sale coming home with your student.



PTA ELECTIONS

Election for two officer positions will be held in May. The two positions are for Secretary and Vice-President. There are also numerous committee chair positions such as yearbook and room parent chair. Ballots will be coming home in the next couple of weeks for this election.

Our PTA is instrumental in providing enrichment activities, making it possible to obtain certain supplies for our school and supporting classroom instruction.

Please consider being an active member of our PTA. You can make a difference for your child and for all the students at Jerome Prairie.

FIFTH GRADE OVERNIGHT CAMPING FIELD TRIP

On Tuesday, May 8, Mrs. Katz's 5th grade class will be adventuring into the wilderness at Siskiyou Field Institute in Selma on an overnight field trip. This will be an educational trip with hikes, lessons on birds and their habitats, games, a scavenger hunt and other activities.

Students will participate in Songbirds, Science & Outdoor School a program presented in conjunction with the Klamath Bird Observatory. Students and chaperones will be sleeping heated yurts on bunk beds (separate yurts for boys and girls).

Bus will depart school at 10:00 AM on Tuesday and return by 2:00 on Wednesday, May 9th. Parent chaperones will be preparing meals on site to be enjoyed in the *al fresco* dining pavilion. Parents are invited to visit on Tuesday afternoon (scavenger hunt, hiking, games, free time) or evening (dinner, skits, campfire songs & stories, night walk) and on Wednesday morning (birding, poster making) to share in this great experience.



PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR 2012-13

A parent letter and input form will be coming soon regarding placement of students for next year. Please be looking for that in the next week. We value your ideas and concerns.

FARM TO MARKET

On Wednesday, May 2, Michael Morris, together with Sodexo (our food service company), presented "Farm to Market".

The gym and café were transformed to a fair-like atmosphere with presenters promoting good nutrition and healthy living.

Participants included:

- Oregon State Dairy Princess
- Farmer/Rancher
- OSU agriculture expert
- Nutritionist
- Future Farmers of America – Illinois Valley High School

Booths were set up with the following themes:

- Oregon State Whole Grains
- OSU – Agriculture in the Classroom
- Kids can Cook
- Farmer's Produce Stand
- Color Your Plate with 5-A-Day (visit with a Registered Dietician)
- FFA

Students received a packet of nutrition information as well as a bag with fun reminders of their learning experience at Farm to Market.

Some of the animals that visited were chickens, ducks, guinea pig, miniature goat, mini horse and five week old foal, a kitten, puppies and even a piglet.

Lunch was an A to Z Salad Bar. There was a huge selection of fresh vegetables, dried and fresh fruits together with meats, cheese, fresh rolls and milk. This was a complimentary lunch to all students, staff and visitors.

Thank you to all the participants who donated their time, the food service staff and Michael Morris who coordinated everything.



A to Z Salad Bar



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