March 2017

Another adventure begins at Frederic Elementary School. Ranger Jim, Smokey the Bear and Ranger Branda, helped us kickoff the adventure. Branda worked with our students all day on becoming Junior Rangers so all will have that honor. The National Parks we will be studying are: The Grand Canyon, Hawaii Volcano's, Everglades, Yellowstone, Denali, Petrified Forest, Badlands, Grand Tetons, Mount Rushmore, Yosemite, Carlsbad Caverns, Sequoia & Glacier Bay. Our hallways look amazing and will take us to these places right when you walk in the door. There are numerous activities and units of study that will take place throughout the adventure with a culminating field trip to Crystal Cave in April for the whole school. We also hope to visit The St. Croix National Scenic Riverway and will try to have students work on the Ice Age Trail during our adventure.

Stop in and look at the scenery!



The Staff Rangers heading out on the Adventure!



Standards Based Report Card Work, which addresses Frederic's Core Values of Growth & Learning.

The elementary is working hard to shift to a new way to evaluate students and report out what skills students have mastered and ones that they are still working on.

It is called Standards Based Report Cards. Below is a short video of what SBR cards are all about.

https://youtu.be/E7m4762pjH8

February In-service was devoted to working on developing essential standards. Teachers used their I Can statements, had a couple sample report cards and their knowledge of the standards. They viewed the above video and went to work on decoding the essentials in each discipline. This work is just the beginning of the task to switch over to this type of report card. This is a whole new way to teach, grade and report out to parents on skills learned.

There is a lot more work to be done!

Math Night – March 14^{th} – 5:00 – 6:00 –Dinner 6:00-6:30 A chance for parents to come in, work with students and staff on math skills. The gym will be filled with math stations that will be run by the teachers.

*March 20th - Jump Rope for Heart Kickoff at 1:00 *March 20th – PTO is sponsoring Tom Pease at 1:45 – A singer, songwriter with an interactive program. There is also an family evening program at 6:15 that night.

*Summer School Planning is Underway.



Kindergarten Challenge Bowling in Mr. Billing's Room. They had to figure out how to knock down the pin. Very exciting, It took them 5 trials and on the 6th - Mission Accomplished!





