

Homedale Elementary School Memo



To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
From: Terri Vasquez, Principal
Date: April 13, 2015
Re: Report to Board of Trustees

ENROLLMENT:

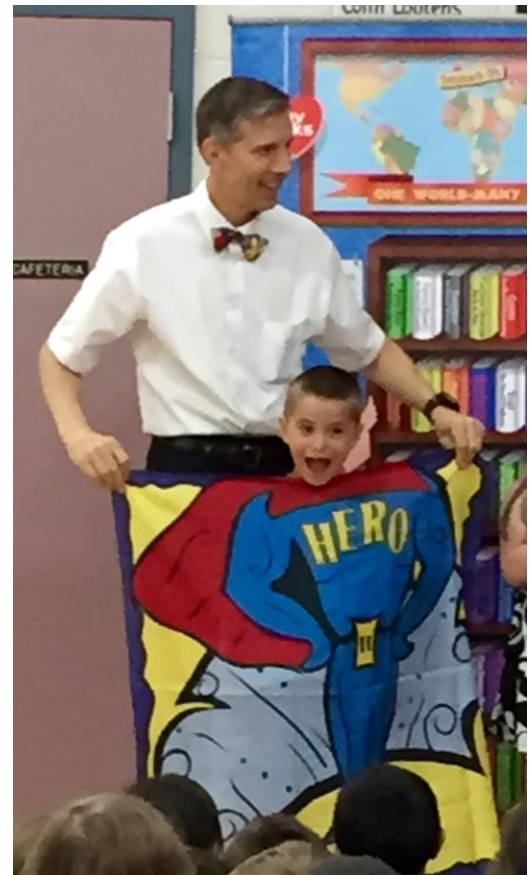
AM Kindergarten: 64	2 nd Grade: 79
ELL Kindergarten (AM): 13	3 rd Grade: 102
PM Kindergarten: 38	4 th Grade: 92
1 st Grade: 98	Special Day (COSSA): 13

CONFERENCES: We had 92% attendance to our Spring Conferences in March.

BOOK FAIR: The PTO held a book fair during conferences. They made \$5,000 (\$2,900 "Scholastic Bucks") to put toward purchasing new books for the library. We now have a total of \$8,000 for new books that will be purchased this year.

NO-BULLY ZONE ASSEMBLY: The students attended an assembly about bullying. Magic Man Brad presented ways to identify bullying, understand the negative effects of bullying, learn the 5 common characteristics of bullying, how to prevent bullying, and how to build friendships and work together.

ASSESSMENTS: We have started our ISAT 2.0 tests and anticipate we will complete these assessment by April 29th. We will begin our IRI and benchmark testing on April 27.



IDAHO MENTOR OF THE YEAR: Leslie Parker was chosen as an "Idaho Mentor of the Year" and was honored at the BSU Stueckle Sky Center on April 7. Leslie began her career at Homedale Elementary in 1981 and has taken many new teachers under her wing during her career, as well as mentoring experienced teachers and staff members. She is an enthusiastic, passionate educator who shares her gift for how to live a balanced life with those around her. We are very excited that she has received this well-deserved honor.

FOURTH GRADE FIELD TRIP: The Fourth Grade students went to the Basque Museum and State Capitol. Our students represented Homedale Elementary well and learned so much. They are still raving about the rotunda at the Capitol and playing handball at the museum.



PTO: With funds from Santa Brunch, Book Fairs, and Box Tops, the PTO will fund part of the communication system for the district, buy books for the library, a new flag for the front of the elementary, a slide to replace the burned slide on the West playground, two Bright Links for the Kindergarten classrooms, donation for the 4th grade field trip transportation, donation for Jump Rope for Heart prizes, and pay for part of an electronic reader board to replace the old reader board at the elementary.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 27 – 1st Grade to Zoo
- April 29 – 2nd Grade to Aquarium
- May 4-18 – 3rd Grade to Y for “Make A Splash”
- May 4-8 – Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 5 – Kindergarten Screening
- May 7 – Ag Expo at Owyhee County Fairgrounds