

Roscoe Elementary School Newsletter

Make a Difference

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The Principal's Piece

Six weeks assessments will continue next week. The third six weeks assessments are the same assessments that the students took as pretests when school started. The assessments are cumulative and should reflect whether or not your student has learned the first semester material and skills. Please encourage your students to slow down, use good strategies, and do their very best work!

The Christmas Store has been a huge hit! The last day to shop will be tomorrow from 2:30 – 3:30.

The Christmas Band Concert will be on the afternoon of Sunday, December 16th at 2:30. The concert will kick off with the 6th grade band followed by 4th grade music, the 7th grade band, and 5th grade music. That will be followed by the High School Band performance. Come out and enjoy a wonderful afternoon of music.

First Grade Christmas Play – Our yearly tradition in Roscoe is to enjoy a Christmas play performed by the first grade class. Our music teacher, Sonda McGowen, has been preparing our first grade students for what is sure to be an exciting production. She has asked all students to work on **memorizing their parts** and start **getting costumes ready!** The first grade Christmas play will begin at 9:00 on the morning of December 19. Everyone is invited!

December 17, 18, and 19 will be early release days. The *Montessori* will release at 12:30. There will be **NO EXTENDED DAY**. ***First-Fifth*** grade will dismiss at **12:55**, and ***Sixth-Twelfth*** grade will dismiss at **1:00**. Please plan accordingly.

Happy Birthday

Dec 8: Chelsea Rangel - Pk
Dec 8: Wyatt Dodson – 3rd
Dec 9: Avery Lewis – 1st
Dec 10: Kaden Collins - K

Dec 10: Tristen Collins - K
Dec 10: Kaycee Presley - Pk
Dec 10: Rose Lopez – 4th
Dec 12: John Bugarin – 2nd

Reminders

- **BOX TOPS – Due December 14th for Totals.**
- **School Dismisses at 3:10 on Fridays!**
- **Circle Drive: Thank you for not parking in the No Parking areas. Let's keep the left side clear so traffic can keep flowing.**
- **Please, NO TOYS at school, No EXCEPTIONS**

Montessori Memo

We have started growing seeds in our classrooms for the Tower Garden in the entry way! We are growing lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, and basil. We are studying holidays around the world; this week we focused on Hanukkah and Christmas. We are using this theme in all areas of our curriculum. For example, the children are learning to wrap presents in the practical life area, are working on Christmas carols in music, and are doing holiday-themed language work, among other things.

1st-5th Grade

First Grade will be working on skip counting in Math and force and motion in Science. Reading classes will be working on compound words, contractions, and digraphs. In Social Studies they will be reviewing maps and landforms. Second Grade math students are learning all about three-dimensional solids. Students are learning how to name, sort, and classify these shapes based on their attributes. In Science, students are studying Earth and its natural resources. In reading, students are studying the three Rs of poetry: rhythm, rhyme, and repetition. In Third Grade reading students are working on summaries and character traits. In math, students are digging into fractions. They will see examples and non-examples of fractions, match fractions to a model, and use fractions on a number line. In Science, students will finish up with different types of energy and begin studying forces of motion. In Social Studies, students are finishing up with the study of Earth's resources, interacting with the environment, and reviewing map skills. Fifth Grade math finished up Unit 10 and tested this week. Be sure to study the reviews for next week's posttests. In reading, your student will continue reading *Touching Spirit Bear*. They will be working on identifying theme, comparing, and contrasting circle justice and traditional justice. In Science, students are studying alternative energy, modeling landforms, weathering, and deposition.

WORD OF THE WEEK → **primary (adj)** – of most importance; principal, main, first, prime, key; *Our primary reason for coming to school is to learn. The primary reason for his success is hard work! Customer service is the store's primary concern.*

4-H News

4-H Something For Everyone

- Nolan County 4-H Web Site: <http://nolan.agrilife.org/4-h-youth/>

Counselor's Corner

9 Strategies for Building Coping Skills in Children with Anxiety
Learn how to manage the symptoms of anxiety in children with these simple tips for helping your child cope with their anxiety. This QR Code will take you there!



Upcoming Events

- **Dec 3-7:** Christmas Store
- **Dec 10-14:** Six Weeks tests
- **Dec 13:** UIL Academic Meet in Hawley
- **Dec 16:** 4th-12th Grade Christmas Program 2:30 pm in the Special Events Center
- **Dec 17-19:** Early Dismissal Days for All Campuses
- **Dec 19:** 1st Grade Christmas play 9:00 am
- **Dec 20-Jan 2:** Christmas Break
- **Jan 2:** Teachers return to school
- **Jan 3:** Students return to school

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