

Roscoe Elementary School Newsletter

Make a Difference

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The Principal's Piece

February is American Heart month. Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women in the United States. Heart disease can often be prevented when people make good healthy choices like eating right and making physical activity a part of your everyday routine. How can you and your family make a change to improve heart health? As part of our Make a Difference theme, help us support the American Heart Association by participating in **Hat Day**. Students may bring a dollar and wear a hat each Friday during the month of February. For fun students will also be able to put their dollar into a jar voting for a teacher. At the end of the month, the teacher with the most votes (money) will get a "pie in the face."



Literacy Night – What is this, you ask? It is a night full of books and reading! Your teachers will dress up and share their favorite children's books. We may even have a few guest readers. Students will be able to take AR tests if they choose. Families are welcome to come rotate through the school visiting various classrooms of your choice listening to your teachers share books. At the end of the evening, students will receive a **free book** and have **milk and cookies!** You can't beat that! So, put *March 21st* on your calendar and join us for an evening of fun! We are so excited to share this time with you!

Happy Birthday

Feb 7: Hadleigh Myers- Pk
Feb 9: Nataly Hernandez - Pk
Feb 9: Yesenia Gonzalez – 4th
Feb 10: Joshua Blain – 3rd
Feb 10: Aubrey Glisson – 2nd

Feb 11: Kamden Clark - K
Feb 11: Kalum Underwood – 5th
Feb 12: Christian Gonzalez - Pk
Feb 12: Kason Gunter - K
Feb 12: Makayla Saavedra - Pk

Reminders

- **BOX TOPS** – *Keep collecting. Boxtops due February 22nd*
- **School Dismisses at 3:10 on Fridays!**
- **Montessori** – **NO** aftercare 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.*

Montessori Memo

This week the kindergarteners are studying the letter V. They celebrated Chinese New Year on Tuesday and are beginning to study Europe, birds, plant stems, and Black History month. In music, they are working on high and low sounds and were able to play the Boomwhackers to try out different sounds. They are looking forward to a great turnout at the Montessori Parent Night tonight. Students have been working hard and are excited to show you what they have been learning. Come join us! Cookies will be served!!

1st-5th Grade

In music, all grades have been working on Freedom songs from the Underground Railroad and discussing how music played a part in the escape from slavery. The 5th graders have tried four different instruments to see which is their favorite for band next year. We still have more to try to see which is the best fit. First grade will be learning about graphs and 2-dimensional figures in Math. Science classes will be learning about pollution. In Reading, students will be learning about informational tests, summarizing, and author's purpose. In Social Studies, they are learning about presidents and patriots. Second grade math students are beginning to work on telling time using analog and digital clocks. In Science, students will learn about the solar system. They are reading *Grandpa's Corner Store* and making personal and community connections. In third grade, students are learning about procedural writing. No spelling test this week. In math, students are moving on to multiplying 2-digit numbers and division. Students have homework every night that is due on Fridays. In Science and Social Studies students continue learning about the branches of the government while reviewing map skills and graphing skills. Please remember that graded papers are sent home each night, and folders need to be signed each night. In 4th grade reading classes, students are learning close reading strategies while reading an article titled "Spider Skills." They are using the writing process to write a persuasive essay or letter. In Science, students are finishing the water cycle. In Social Studies, students will explain events that led to the annexation of Texas to the United States. Reminder: Alamo Projects are due February 12th through the 15th! Students are encouraged to use natural materials and keep the project the size of a shoe box, tissue box, or ½ the size of a poster board. In 5th grade Math, we are reviewing fractions with word problems and will soon be moving on to classifying triangles and quadrilaterals. Students will continue to read "Out of the Dust" and learn the causes and effects of the Depression and Dust Bowl. Fifth graders will also continue to work on timelines. In Science, they will be working on finishing STAAR Vocabulary Cards. These will be kept in their binders to study not only at school but also at home. In Social Studies, students will be working on the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl.

WORD OF THE WEEK →

4-H News

4-H Something For Everyone

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

Counselor's Corner

Friendships are so important in our children's lives.

Guide Your Kids to Choose the Right Friends & Be a Good Friend Themselves
(to read more about this, scan the QR code)



Upcoming Events

- **Feb 7:** Montessori ECC Parent Night 6:00-7:30 pm
- **Feb 11-15:** Six Weeks Tests
- **Feb 14:** 3rd Grade Safety City Trip
- **Feb 19:** Report Cards go home
- **Feb 21:** Celebrate Success Assembly 1st & 2nd @ 3:25
- **Feb 22:** Celebrate Success Assembly 3rd, 4th, & 5th @2:25
- **Mar 4-8:** Spring Book Fair
- **Mar 8:** AR Celebration @2:25
- **Mar 11-15:** Spring Break
- **Mar 21:** Literacy Night 6:00-7:30 pm

CHOOSE KINDNESS



connect (verb) – to join, link, or fasten together; unite or bind; *These two parts connect at the sides. The two cities were connected by a bridge. To make a successful hit, shot, or throw; The batter connected for a homerun. To place or establish in relationship; Their stories are closely connected.*