

Roscoe Elementary School Newsletter

Make a Difference

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The Principal's Piece

OUR SPRING BOOK FAIR was this week. We had a great turn out at **Family Night** on Monday. The Book Fair closes Friday at noon.

Read Across America – The National Reading Association's Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on March 2, the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss. The purpose of Read Across America is motivating children to read. Motivation is an important factor in student achievement and creating lifelong successful readers. Research has shown that children who are motivated and spend more time reading do better in school. We will be celebrating Read Across America this week with a variety of activities including reading as many books as possible and making a paper chain, buddy reading with the Early Childhood students, the book fair, sharing a favorite book, and more. Continue to encourage your child to read.

Literacy Night – What is this, you ask? It is a night full of books and reading! Book characters will be present!! 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 their choice listening to 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 family fun! We are so excited to share this time with you! Our teachers have picked some great books so far!

Keys to Success for your Students: Many of you have a very busy household this spring running kids from practice to church to 4H to ballgames and back home to get homework done, kids fed, and all in bed by a decent hour. It can be very overwhelming! With all this activity, a routine at home will help you and your child to get through it all. Have your kids do their homework as soon as they get home from school. Keep the same bedtime each night. The key is to be purposeful about creating a few good routines of your own and sticking to them.

Happy Birthday

Mar 7: Fernando Ramirez – 5th

Mar 11: Breydin Tinkler – 2nd

Mar 10: Michelle Woodard – Pk

Mar 18: Maggie Morris – 2nd

Mar 10: Axel Munoz – 1st

Mar 11: Jose Rodriguez – 2nd

Reminders

- **BOX TOPS** – Keep collecting. *Boxtops due March 29th.*
- **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.

Montessori Memo

This week, we are studying the combination qu. We are starting a month of studying Asia. We celebrated Mardi Gras/Carnival on Tuesday. In music, students are still working on high and low sounds and the Kindergarten students are using xylophones to experiment with high and low sounds.

1st-5th Grade

In music, 1st-3rd graders are about to learn the instrument families and how all of the different instruments sound along with starting to study Mozart. The 4th-5th graders are still practicing reading note names, learning recorders, and learning new rhythms every week. In 1st grade, students are learning time to the hour. Science classes are learning about seasons. In reading, students will be reviewing vowel digraphs and learning about combinations. They will be learning more about ABC order as well. In Social Studies, they continue to learn about American leaders and symbols. In 2nd grade math, students are learning about measuring in centimeters, decimeters, and meters. In science, students are learning about environments for living things. In reading, students are making a lapbook to present information on rattlesnakes. Third grade math students continue to compare fractions. ELAR classes are reviewing fiction, story elements, theme, character traits, and parts of speech. Remember that Reading Logs are due Fridays! On Monday in Science, students presented their Solar System projects to the class. Great Job!! They will now be focusing on meeting needs and wants and budgeting money. In 4th grade, students will continue their study of the *BFG* while examining vocabulary, sensory language, and plot elements. They will begin a new writing project – an expository essay. They will use the writing process to complete the essay. In Science, students are studying the movement of the Earth, the sun, stars, and moon phases. In Social Studies, they are studying the New Era in Texas and how Texas joins a divided nation. Math students are revisiting data analysis by looking back at frequency tables, dot plots, and stem-and-leaf plots. Fifth graders are reading a new novel, *Bud, Not Buddy*. They will focus on idioms and irony this week. Please remind your students to keep up with their assignments. In Science, students are working on Ecosystem Plays. In Social Studies, they are reading *Fly Girl*, a novel about the WASP pilots. They are also looking at The New Deal and WWII. In math, students are finishing up their study of classifying 2-dimensional shapes into sets and subsets as they get ready for the unit test on Thursday.

WORD OF THE WEEK →

Upcoming Events

- **Mar 4-8:** Spring Book Fair
- **Mar 7:** Progress Reports go home
- **Mar 8:** AR Celebration @2:25
- **Mar 11-15:** Spring Break
- **Mar 21:** Spring Pictures at the ECC
- **Mar 21:** Literacy Night 6:00-7:30 pm
- **Mar 22:** Spring Pictures at the Elementary
- **Mar 23:** GEAR trial run
- **Mar 29:** Box Tops due

CHOOSE KINDNESS

distract (verb) – prevent from giving full attention to something, divert one's attention from something unpleasant by doing something different; *Don't allow noise to distract you from your work. I tried to distract myself from my tooth pain by playing a video game.*

4-H News

4-H Something For Everyone

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

Counselor's Corner

Emotional Freedom Technique / Tapping is a way to relieve anxiety, stress, and physical pain in the body. This QR code takes you to a Quick Start Guide that gives lots of information about this subject. Check it out! How to videos will come in the next newsletter! I would love to hear your feedback!

