



# Roosevelt Elementary



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## P.B.I.S.

Word of the month:  
**Responsibility**



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## March 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22 JA Y night 5:30-7:30 pm/ 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Songfest @ 2 pm
25 Spring break - No school	26 Spring break - No school	27 Spring break - No school	28 Spring break - No school	29 Spring break -No school
				



*Preparing All Students for a Successful Tomorrow*

# CLASSROOM NEWS



## **Pre K:**

In preschool we continue to work on our listening skills and keeping our body calm during circle time and small group work times. We have been doing a lot of retelling of the stories we have read in class. We do this by drawing pictures about the story, describing what happened in the story, answering questions about the story, and being able to put the events that happened in the story in the correct order. We encourage you to read stories with your child everyday at home!

## **Kindergarten:**

Hello families! Thank you for attending conferences in February. We appreciate the time you take to support your child at school as well as at home. In reading, we will be focusing on comparing and contrasting experiences of characters in familiar stories. In math, we will continue to compose and decompose numbers to 10.



## **1st Grade:**

In reading we will describe characters, settings, and events, as well as asking and answering questions. We are focusing heavily on reading with fluency these next few months, too. Please continue having your child do their reading homework every night. In writing we will write how-to pieces in which the students explain the steps to do something. In math we are finishing up our unit on place value and then starting our unit on shapes.

## **2nd Grade:**

In reading, we will be learning how to figure out the theme of a fiction story. We can find the theme by looking for clues about what the character says and does in the story. Themes we will be discussing include Cooperation, Acceptance, Honesty, Perseverance and Friendship. Also, we will be writing a fictional narrative. Your child will be choosing the characters, setting, and writing the events of the story. In math, we will be learning about multiplication and division. We will use equal groups, math drawings, arrays, and repeated addition to understand how to multiply and divide numbers. As we "think spring," we will be learning about plants in science and maps in social studies. Please continue to read with your child. We appreciate your support!

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### **3rd Grade:**

Hello from the 3rd grade! In Math we will be studying Geometry and Measurement Word Problems all month. We will begin with one and two step problems using all four methods of operation. The lessons will be heavy on modeling and reasoning to come up with different solution paths. The students will also be studying polygons and quadrilaterals and exploring their properties and attributes. Additionally, they will work with tangrams and tetrominoes to compose and decompose shapes.

In Reading, we will be studying cause and effect, comparison, and sequencing. They will explore and describe the logical connection between sentences and paragraphs in a text. Students will also work on determining the main idea of a text, recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea. The students are becoming very proficient at Independent Reading, where they are reading for thirty minutes straight!



### **4th Grade:**

Fourth grade has been keeping very busy! In math, we will be working through Module 4, angles and lines, and Module 6, decimals. We will be beginning our informational text unit and will be talking about pirates. We will be writing a pirate narrative. In social studies, we will continue to study the different regions of the United States. We have been continuing to recognize students who are showing STAR behavior. Have a great March!!

### **5th Grade:**

5th grade has been moving right along since we've gotten back from winter break! We have been working very hard on adding, subtracting and multiplying fractions in real world settings. We have also started delving into two-dimensional and three-dimensional shapes to find their perimeter, area, and volume. In reading we have spent time in poetry, figurative language, main idea of informational texts, and themes in stories and poems. Looking forward to the rest of spring, we will be working more on data analysis and algebra in math. In reading we will be working through stories about the water supplies in our world and finding the text structures, main ideas, and themes!

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## Media:

Welcome to March! Let's hope spring is on the way!

This month in library our reading challenge is focusing around activities (music, sports, 4-H etc.) that our students participate in. We will be doing some fun activities that highlight their talents and gifts, so have your student swing by the library for a challenge sheet! We have different prizes for them every month if they complete the challenge!

## Music:

### *GRADES 2-3 SONGFEST*

Along with March comes our first Roosevelt Songfest. We don't know if we dare call it a SPRING songfest but we will be bright and cheery! The theme for this performance is "FRIENDSHIP!" All of our songs will focus on what a friend is, what friends do and how to make friends keeping in mind that every person deserves to have good friends. Singing, movement and instruments will all be part of what we share. Knowing we have such diversity of friends within our walls we are excited to be singing one song in not only English, but also Spanish and for our first time ever in Somali. Family and friends are all invited to attend our performance on Friday, March 22nd at 2:00 pm in the Roosevelt Gym. We hope you can attend!

## EL:

Here are a couple tips on how to help students read during their time away from school. Read together. Look at books together and either you read, siblings, or one child read to the family. If you have books online, listen to the book together. Talk about the book. Share what you enjoyed about the story or what connections you made. Tell stories. Share stories from your childhood or even makeup fun stories together. They can be shared in any language. Also spend time talking about the story just like you would with a book.



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**STEM:**

3rd Grade: We will finish up the Sound Unit and continuing with the Light Unit for third grade.

4th Grade: It's HOT and ELECTRIC...We will finish up the Heat Unit and start Electricity

5th Grade: We will be starting Animal Adaptations and how they survive just like we are trying to survive winter here in MN!

**PE:**

Roosevelt's Kids Heart Challenge Awards:



Top 10 students who collected the most donations for Kids Heart Challenge at Roosevelt School are:

Levi Spencer	\$500	2nd Grade	Mrs. Jahraus
Riley Laumer	\$410	4th Grade	Ms. Raske
Anthony Buzzeo	\$400	5th Grade	Mr. Kuehn
Cody Raasch	\$300	5th Grade	Mr. Tiernan
Briggs Baumgarn	\$300	2nd Grade	Mrs. Jahraus
Kylie Kowalczyk	\$250	4th Grade	Ms. Hultberg
Jacob Ellingson	\$200	3rd Grade	Mr. Molacek
Jordan Ellingson	\$200	5th Grade	Mr. Kuehn
Emma Rosendahl	\$180	3rd Grade	Ms. Gustofson
Nathan Duninck	\$175	2nd Grade	Mrs. Aasen

**Jump Rope for Heart \$4,879.24**

2nd Grade	Jahraus	\$825	POPCORN PARTY WINNER
3rd Grade	Molacek	\$302	POPCORN PARTY WINNER
4th Grade	Raske	\$450	POPCORN PARTY WINNER
5th Grade	Kuehn	\$735	POPCORN PARTY WINNER



**Nurse:**

To get all the nutrients needed for growth and health, children need to eat lots of fruits and vegetables - or we call it 'Eating a Rainbow'. Different colored fruits and vegetables have different nutrients in them, and therefore, different health benefits. Try something new with your family today!

Here are some ideas and their health benefits...

Red: Promotes a healthy heart, aids in memory, and promotes urinary tract health

Examples: strawberries, apples, cherries, grapes, red peppers and tomatoes

Orange/Yellow: Promotes healthy eyesight, skin, and a healthy immune system

Examples: oranges, clementines, peaches, pineapples, bananas, carrots, corn, squash

Green: Promotes healthy eyesight, blood pressure, and a healthy immune system

Examples: apples, grapes, kiwi, cabbage, green beans, lettuce, zucchini, cucumber, spinach, broccoli

Blue/purple: Promotes healthy bones & teeth, supports digestion, and improves circulation

Examples: blueberries, plums, purple grapes, eggplant, red cabbage



**Full-Time and Substitute Paraprofessionals Needed**

Would you like the opportunity to make a difference in education while earning competitive pay? If you have a minimum of High school diploma then you may already be qualified to be a full-time or substitute Special Education Paraprofessional!

Full-time positions starting at \$14.90/hour and substitutes \$12.00/hour. Substitutes may decide where and when to work by creating your own schedule!

If interested, please call Mary LaRue at 320-231-8542 or apply online at Willmar Public Schools > Career Opportunities.

## Happy March Roosevelt Friends and Family

**Thank you for attending Parent Teacher Conferences!** It is such an important event to share the awesome things your children are doing here at school everyday. Again, it is a partnership, when we work together, communicate and share ideas we can guarantee your children, our students flourish at school.

**Weather:** Our weather fluctuates so thank you for being sure your children come to school with proper clothing. It has been extremely cold lately and we are holding students in for indoor recess but even at dismissal we want to be sure they have boots, hats, mittens, jackets and snow pants. If we can help supply you with these items please call us. There has been no talk of 'make up' days but once our Superintendent and Board makes a decision it will be communicated.

**Emergency Drills:** We are required by law to hold 5 fire drills, 5 lockdowns and 1 tornado drill a year and as of now these drills are known and communicated ahead of time to the teachers. We'd like to evolve and begin to practice unannounced drills. The reality of a real life situation will be unannounced so we want our staff and students to be able to respond.

**Math Tip:** Math has evolved from the computation we most likely experienced in math class to an emphasis on problem solving. Computation is still important, but it is used to solve real-life problems. Our emphasis is to enable your child to learn multiple strategies to become a proficient problem solver when 'attacking' a math story problem. Please model the importance of math in the real world and encourage your child to help when you do everyday tasks at home like the following:

Balance your checkbook

Pay bills

Estimate the cost of the groceries in your cart

Determine how much food to buy for a party

Double a recipe or cut a recipe in half

Figure the cost of lunch at a restaurant

Calculate the cost of school lunch for the week or month

Determine how much allowance is needed to buy a football

Determine the number of miles driven in X hours

Determine how long it will take to drive home going X mph

Figure the cost of X number of minutes of cell phone use if you pay X cents/minutes

Determine how many gallons of gas you can buy with X dollars

Determine how many chocolate chips are needed if X number of cookies each has 3 chocolate chips





**Reading Tip:** Please be interested and curious about what your children are reading. Spend time allowing them to read to you and be sure to question them about what they read. Here are some sample questions you can ask:

"What is this story about?"

"Where did it take place and when?"

"What does the main character want?"

"Will she/he get it?" "If so, how?"

"Why did the author end the paragraph (or chapter, or book) in this way?"

"What was the author's purpose in writing this?"

If there is ever a concern, question or idea for us please never hesitate to call the office or email me at [lockhartl@willmar.k12.mn.us](mailto:lockhartl@willmar.k12.mn.us)

Lori Lockhart, Principal



**PTSA:**

We would like to thank the following volunteers who donated to our Winter Teacher Conference Meal on 2/21/2019:

Arfon Mohamud  
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Bingo for Books March 1st 6:30-8pm at Roosevelt Elementary

Bring the whole family to celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday with cake and bingo for books! This is a free event for all Roosevelt students and their families. Bring your used books for the book exchange. See you on Friday, March 1st!



**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY  
DR. SEUSS!**

Sponsored by District 347 PTSA

Juegos de Bingo por libros- el 1 de Marzo de las 6:30 a las 8:00pm en Primaria Roosevelt

¡Traiga a toda la familia a celebrar el cumpleaños de Dr. Seuss (autor de libros infantiles populares) con pastel y juegos de bingo por libros! Este evento es gratuito para todos los estudiantes de Roosevelt y sus familias.

¡Traiga sus libros usados para hacer un intercambio de libros! ¡Los esperamos el viernes, 1 de Marzo!

Buugaag ayaa bakhtiyansiib lagu bixinayo oo kadhacayo Dugsiga Hoose  
Roosevelt March 1 6:30-8pm galabnimo

Keen qoyskaada oo dhan si aan ugu dabaal dagno dhalashada Dr. Seuss waxaana la qeybin doona doolsho iyo bakhtiyansiib buugaag! Tani waa dhacdo bilaash u ah Ardeyda iyo qoysaska Dugsiga Roosevelt. La imow buugaagtadii hore si aad ugu badalato kuwa kale. Waxaan is arkeynaa Jimacada, March 1!

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## MARCH NEWS AND EVENTS!!!!!!

### MEETINGS

Roosevelt's Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) has many fun events planned during the school year for our Roosevelt students & families. This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14 at 6:30pm. Follow us on our Facebook page: Roosevelt Elementary PTSA Willmar, MN. for the latest information and updates. We are always looking for fresh, new members and ideas so we look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!

Our LAST Box Tops classroom competition wrapped up in February. We are now counting those that were turned in & will announce our winning classrooms SOON! THANKS for supporting PTSA and Roosevelt School!!!!



### VOLUNTEERS

Send us an email TODAY at:

[willmarrooseveltpsa@gmail.com](mailto:willmarrooseveltpsa@gmail.com)

We will add you to our NEW volunteer list for this school year. Mention your cell number to receive text reminders via the Remind App before all of our events and volunteer opportunities.

### UPCOMING DATES

#### March 1 (Friday):

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!!

Bingo for Books - 6:30-8:00

\*A family fun night of bingo, free books, birthday cake & milk!\*

#### First Week of May:

Teacher Appreciation Lunch  
(date to be announced)

#### May 30:

End of the Year Dance at  
Lakeland and BOGO  
Scholastic Bookfair

#### Did you know?

**Willmar District PTSA - Roosevelt pays for busing when students go on school supported field trips. The money used for busing comes from our Cherrydale fall fundraiser.**

#### Wanted!!

Parent involvement is needed for PTSA activities to continue next year. Do you enjoy Movie Night, Turkey Bingo or Bingo for Books? Get involved today by volunteering & attending monthly meetings.