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# ON THE PRAIRIE

*Prairie View Elementary School Newsletter*



## *From the Principal*

**MR. HEINOLD**

Happy New Year!

We are excited to welcome back our students and staff to a new calendar year and the second semester of our school year. There are a lot of things to look forward to over the next few months, from sports to field trips and special events to standardized testing. If organization was one of your resolutions, this is a great way to get in extra practice! We will continue to do our best to provide updates through our school website and on our PTO Facebook Group.

With the coming of winter also comes the possibility of school delays and e-learning days. However, I would like to remind all students and families to continue to charge their iPads every night for the next day. This will help with our Prairie View B.E.S.T. skill of Being Prepared. Thank you!

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out. Go Bobcats!  
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### **Important Dates to Know:**

1/6 - STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL

1/10 - PTO MEETING (PV LIBRARY) @ 3:30-4:30PM

1/17 - MLK JR. DAY - NO SCHOOL

1/19 - MOBILE DENTIST VISIT

1/19 - IMOMS MORNING BREAKFAST @ 7:30AM

1/26 - PVE SPELLING BEE @ 1:30PM

1/27 - GIRLS BASKETBALL @ RPE

1/29 - PTO WINTER CARNIVAL @ NPMS

1/31 - FLEX/E-LEARNING DAY

# Information from Around the Prairie

## From the PTO

The PTO is making preparations for its Winter Carnival to be held at New Prairie Middle School on Saturday, January 29th. There will be so many fun opportunities during this event! More information will be coming out as plans are finalized.

The PTO is still looking for volunteers to contribute for upcoming events. Be sure to join us at the next meeting for more information. You may always contact the PTO Board at PTOPEVE@gmail.com for more information.

## Spelling Bee Information

This month, students will be participating in the spelling bee to identify the top spellers in each classroom. A word list will be provided to students. On Wednesday, January 26th, these top spellers will compete in the school spelling bee to determine who will move on to the next level of the competition.

Invitations will be sent to families the week prior for students participating in the school spelling bee on January 26th.



Above: Mrs. Harenza's class working through adding and subtracting fractions.

## Outside Recess

With the cold weather upon us, I want to encourage families in sending weather-appropriate clothing for students in the event that we still have outdoor recess. Winter coats, hats, gloves, snow pants, and boots are necessary.

We will have indoor recess if the temperature or wind chill is below 15 degrees or the condition of the playground is unsuitable. Otherwise, we look forward to giving students the opportunity for some fresh air and exercise!

## Flex/E-learning Days

Please be aware of the revised school calendar for the second semester. This information can be found on the district's website. It includes the use of four Flex/E-Learning days that are spread out over the next five months. Our first Flex Day will be on Monday, January 31st. If a student is identified as needing to come in person to school on that day, families will be notified in advance. Otherwise, all students will participate in learning opportunities virtually that day.

Right: Fifth grade students at StarBase practicing their coding skills to move a LEGO robot.

