

MARCH 2022

# ON THE PRAIRIE

*Prairie View Elementary School Newsletter*



## *From the Principal*

### **Important Dates to Know:**

3/1-3/18 - SPRING NWEA WINDOW FOR GRADES 3-5

3/3 - GIRLS BASKETBALL @ 4:00PM (ROLLING PRAIRIE)

3/7-3/18- IREAD-3 TESTING WINDOW

3/7 - PTO MEETING @ 3:30PM (PV LIBRARY)

3/9 - STUDENT COUNCIL @ 7:30AM

3/10 - YOUNG ASTRONAUTS @ 3:15PM

3/14 - FLEX DAY

3/16 - IMOMS MORNING @ 7:30AM

3/16 - KINDERGARTEN ROUND @ 5:00PM

3/23 - STUDENT COUNCIL @ 7:30AM

3/24 - YOUNG ASTRONAUTS @ 3:15PM

4/2-4/10 - SPRING BREAK

### **MR. HEINOLD**

Maybe we've made it? January and February were certainly tough months for building consistency through an entire week. Thank you to our teachers and parents for helping to make the eLearning days a success. It certainly takes all of us to ensure that students are still able to continue with their education. With a glimpse of Spring coming ahead--warmer weather and longer days--I am hopeful that we will be hitting our full stride to end the school year strong!

Over these last few months, we will be engaging in some state standardized testing for many of our students. You will see information for IREAD-3 and ILEARN. Both of these state assessments help to measure the growth and achievement of our students, and they provide important data points to support the work that our teachers and students do every day.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out. Go Bobcats!  
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# Information from Around the Prairie

## From the PTO

This month, you should have already received information about the Reading for Education program going on. We encourage all of our families to check it out and consider supporting the teachers and their classrooms.

We will also be gearing up for our big Spring fundraiser, Popcornopolis/Jelly Belly. Be on the lookout for more information coming this month. This is our Bobcat chance to offer special programming and opportunities for students at Prairie View--opportunities that the students and families will be able to speak of for years to come!

Be sure to join us at the next meeting for more information and to be a part of the community that continues to seek ways to support and celebrate our students. You may always contact the PTO Board at PTOPE@gmail.com for more information.



Above: Kindergarten classes earned an incentive at Casey's Lanes in LaPorte for bringing in the most donations during our Thanksgiving food drive.

## Kindergarten Roundup

Kindergarten RoundUp is coming in March. Kindergarten registration will be open from March 14th - 18th, with the evening event happening on Wednesday, March 16th from 5:00pm-5:45pm CST. Information has been sent out, but if you have more questions, please contact the school office.

## IREAD-3

All of our 2nd and 3rd graders will be taking this Indiana assessment during the weeks of March 7th-March 18th.

This assessment will help us identify areas of strengths and focus for students in second grade as they progress to 3rd the following year. We will be encouraging all of our students to get plenty of rest, have a good breakfast, and be prepared to show us what they know!

## NWEA

Our Spring window for NWEA testing will be happening in March for grades 3-5. This assessment is given out three times a year (Fall, Winter, Spring). It provides additional growth data for students and teachers to see how students are making gains throughout the year. Grades K-2 will be taking their NWEA later in May.

Right: Students loaded up several buckets of items to donate during our Winter Drive spirit week. Thank you families!

