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### Prairie View Elementary School Newsletter





IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

3/3 - FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT @ 5-7PM

3/6-3/10 - IREAD-3 TESTING

3/13 - PTO MEETING @ 3:30PM (PV LIBRARY)

3/13-3/24 - GRADES 3-5 NWEA TESTING

3/14 - KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP @ 5-6PM (PV CAFETERIA)

3/15 - IMOMS BREAKFAST @ 7:30AM

3/15 - MOBILE DENTIST

3/17 - FLEX DAY

3/20 - SCHOOL IN SESSION

3/27 - SPRING MUSIC CONCERT (GRADES 1 & 3)

4/1-4/9 - SPRING BREAK: NO SCHOOL

### From the Principal

It's hard to believe that it is March already! We are getting close to reaching the end of the third quarter of this school year. I am very encouraged by the growth and achievement that all of our students have been making, academically, socially, and behaviorally! I feel lucky everyday to come to work alongside great staff and great students where we can all encourage one another to be out Bobcat BEST!

In the college sports arena, March is one of the most anticipated months of the basketball season--March Madness! While we aren't going through our own bracket challenge, we will be hosting a Prairie View Reading Challenge! Each student will receive a reading log where they can count up the numbers of minutes they read each night for the competition. For every 20 minutes a student reads, we will put up a book in the cafeteria for all to see. The staff will be in on the challenge too! Who will be the grade to read the most minutes in March? A special surprise awaits!



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## Information from Around the Prairie

### From the PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)

This past month, we had a lot of fun celebrating BINGO with our families. Thank you to the volunteers who made this event possible and to all of the families that joined us in the fun!

We will also be gearing up for our Spring fundraiser,
Sweet Revenge. Be on the lookout for more
information coming this month. This fundraiser will tie
directly into student accounts for our Spring
Scholastic Book Fair sale.

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 PTOPVE@gmail.com for more information.

#### **Testing Information**

Springtime in elementary education also means standardized testing is coming soon. Our 2nd graders and some third graders will start by taking the IREAD-3 test beginning March 7th.

Shortly after that, students in grades 3-5 will take their End of Year NWEA test to see how much they've grown since August! Later in April, students in grades 3 through 5 will take the state ILEARN assessment.

Finally, in May, our K-2 students will take their End of Year NWEA test to see their growth. We encourage all students to do their BEST, get plenty of rest, and eat a healthy breakfast to start each day!

#### **Kindergarten Roundup**

Kindergarten RoundUp is coming in March.

Kindergarten registration will be open from March 13th
- 17th, with the evening event happening on Tuesday,

March 14th from 5:00pm-5:45pm CST. Information has
been sent out, but if you have more questions, please
contact the school office.



