

APRIL 2023

# ON THE PRAIRIE

*Prairie View Elementary School Newsletter*



## IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

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

4/9 - YEARBOOK ORDERS DUE

4/10 - LIL FISH

4/11 - MATH BOWL  
COMPETITION @ WALKERTON  
ELEMENTARY

4/12 - PV SPRING PICTURE DAY

4/17 - PTO MEETING @ 3:30PM  
(PV LIBRARY)

4/17-5/12 - GRADES 3-5 ILEARN  
TESTING

4/19 - ALL PRO DADS  
BREAKFAST @ 7:30AM

4/24-5/5 - GRADES K-2 NWEA  
TESTING

## From the Principal

Happy Spring! I hope that each and every one of you can enjoy some time this Spring Break to rest and recharge for a strong finish to our 22-23 school year!

After we return from break, we will have a little bit of time before entering into the ILEARN testing window for our students in Grades 3-5 and the NWEA testing window for Grades K-2. It is important for students during this time to get plenty of rest, eat good meals, and get lots of encouragement to show what they know!

This goes along really well with the "B" from our Bobcat BEST -- Being Prepared. We have also been reminding students to be sure and charge their iPad each night to be ready for a full day of learning. Having a nightly routine and a centralized charging station will help students come prepared to be successful with their device at school.

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 (Parent Teacher Organization)**

The end of the school year is approaching rapidly! We have been able to provide so many great opportunities for our families and students, and we have a few more things lined up to end on a positive note.

Early in May, we will be celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week (May 8-May 12). Just as we have done in the past, we like to show our appreciation for the staff that works so hard to ensure high levels of learning for all of our students! Be on the lookout for information and opportunities to donate to this amazing Bobcat staff.

Also be sure to join us at the next meeting for more information, board nominations, 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](mailto:PTOPVE@gmail.com) for more information.



## **ILEARN and NWEA**

All of our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will be taking this Indiana assessment during the weeks of April 18th-May 13th. This assessment will help us identify areas of strengths and focus for 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!

Students in Grades K-2 will be finishing their NWEA assessments at the end of the month. NWEA is a great tool that helps us recognize both achievement *and* growth. As a staff, we can use this information to meet the individual needs of our students and to ensure high levels of learning for ALL!

## **Family Friendly Designation**

We are beyond thrilled as a staff and community to be recognized by the Indiana Department of Education as an Excelling Family Friendly School! This recognition is not given out to very many schools across the state, and Prairie View has really stepped up to provide many ways for parents/families/students to engage both inside the classroom and after school. We hope to see you at our next family event!

