

Fruitdale Elementary

Panther Pride News

JANUARY 2016



Celebrating 50's day on the 50th day of school in 2nd grade!!

NEWS FROM MRS. YOUNT

Dear Families,

January is finally here. While the year 2015 was great, we are looking forward to embracing the opportunities as well as challenges of 2016.

As with all other areas of your child's education, we will continue to ask you for your support in making this year a success. Attendance plays a significant role in academic success. Please make every effort to have your child at school every day. It is also important for students to arrive to school on time. Please remember, our bell rings at 7:35am.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parent volunteers. There has been a tremendous amount of support from our parents and community. We have many volunteers who spend a lot of time helping in our classrooms. This has a positive impact on the educational experience of our students. I believe that we have made even stronger connections between the students, staff, and families of Fruitdale.

An event we are looking forward to is our annual Science Night. I have been working with PTO to organize this opportunity and I believe it is going to be even bigger than before. Fruitdale families are invited to an exciting night full of hands-on science activities. Please mark your calendars for February 18, 2016.

On behalf of the staff of Fruitdale Elementary School, thank you for all of your efforts. We are looking forward to continuing a great year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Heather Yount
Principal, Fruitdale Elementary School



SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in volunteering in our school please make sure that you go on line and fill out the volunteer application. You can access the volunteer page by going to our school website, on the right side of the page under "School News" there is a link that says volunteer login. We also have a computer in our school office that you are welcome to use. If you were approved after March of last school year you will still need to fill out the form so that you are listed in our system. We are now requiring all volunteers to log in prior to helping in the classroom or going on a field trip. Thank you very much for your cooperation. If you have any questions please contact Sheri in the office at 541.476.2276.

Adverse Weather Conditions

In the event of adverse weather conditions parents are advised to tune in to Radio Stations KRWQ, KAJQ, KLDR, KBOY and TV Stations KOBI (5), KDRV (12), KTVL (10) or you can check the Three Rivers S.D. Web Page at (www.threerivers.k12.or.us) for information on school bus schedules, delays or closures.

Sometimes weather conditions leave some roads blocked or unsafe to travel but school is still being held. Under these circumstances "straight line routes" will be run. This is the information you will get on the web page or radio/TV stations.

If you live on one of the roads the buses cannot travel, you may need to bring your student to the nearest intersection of the main road traveled. This will also be the stop for the afternoon drop off.

Immunizations

It's that time of year that students must be up-to-date with their immunizations. The exclusion date is fast approaching. If your child is not up-to-date we will notify you. If your child is in need of a vaccine please take care of it as soon as possible.

School Website

If you want to know what is going on at Fruitdale please check out our new school website at threerivers.k12.or.us, go to schools and click on Fruitdale.

Fruitdale Library News

HAPPY NEW YEAR FRUITDALE READERS

Please take advantage of the resources offered through the *Library* tab on our school webpage. You can search our collection at the *Destiny* icon; find an AR level; access the World Book and National Geographic Online and explore everything from basic computer skill tutorials to practice test for AP courses, the GRE and the SAT at the *Learning Express Library*. *Learn 360* offers a multitude of resources for project-based learning and research. Access it at www.learn360.com - *username:* Fruitdale
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Thank You, Glenda!

We thank you Glenda the hat lady!

Every year Glenda graciously makes a hat for every student in our school! Our students always love their hats. If you would be interested in donating yarn to Glenda for next years hats , you may bring the yarn to Fruitdale and we will make sure that Glenda gets it. Please see pictures on the back page!!!

Dates to Remember

Martin Luther King Day (no school).....Jan.18
Clerical Day (no school).....Feb. 5
President's Day (no school).....Feb. 15
Science Night 5pm ~ 7pm.....Feb. 18



PARKING LOT SAFETY

Many of you drop off your student in the morning. I am sure you are well aware our parking lot is a very busy place. As a staff, we are making extra efforts to try and have it flow as smoothly as possible. We continue to need your help to make this happen.

When dropping off your student in the morning, please use extra precaution. Our student drop off is located in the front of the building. Please pull all the way forward. We have several parents who stop right at the curve in front of the office. This causes cars to have to pull around to navigate past the curve. If you pull all the way forward towards the fifth grade hallway, we are able to allow more students to be dropped off at one time.

If you need to escort your child in for any reason or you would like to drop something off in the office, please remember to park in a parking spot. Our student drop off area is not for parked cars. This will enable the smooth flow of cars in and out of our parking lot. Thank you for being extra cautious regarding this rule.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



Thank You!



Mrs. Bohannon's 3rd grade Class



Ms. Mckee's 1st grade class



Mrs. Pugsley's 4th grade



Mrs. Eames 2nd grade class



Ms. Hollenbeck 2nd grade class



Mrs. Ross' 5th grade class