

Stephensen Elementary Newsletter

February 2018



Here are a few other things of note for the month:

- Our Annual **Walkathon** will be held on Friday, Feb. 23rd. Our primary goal for this year's walkathon is to raise money for an electronic reader board to replace our aging marquee board outside. We are working on a few different funding options to be able to purchase the electronic board since this is not the type of purchase that can be completely funded through one source very easily.
 - Sponsoring information will be sent home with your students with more details.
 - The Walkathon has funded a number of projects over the years; most recently new playground equipment, activity room and STEM club activities, as well as art and science programs.
- Our **Spirit Day and Assembly** will be on Feb. 23rd. The theme will be Workout. This day is the same as our Walkathon; so let's see those workout outfits! Classes with the highest spirit day participation will win a merit badge. Also, the monthly classroom award winners will be given the opportunity to participate in the spirit activity and could win an additional merit badge for their classes.
- **Art help is needed.** If you are interested in helping with your child's art class (once every 2 weeks), please contact your child's teacher.
- The **Geography Bee** finals will be on Friday, Feb. 9 at 2:00 pm in the cafeteria. Students (3rd and 4th grade) will be competing individually instead of in teams as in previous years. The contestants will compete in a preliminary round to determine the students competing in the finals at 2:00 pm. More information will be sent out later.
- The **Book Fair** is coming Feb. 12-15 in the SES library. The online book fair is open now and runs through the 16th. Any books ordered through the link www.scholastic.com/BF/Stephensen counts for our school, supports our library and includes free shipping to our school.
 - To kick-off the book fair, we will have a dress up day (Friday, Feb. 9) to go with the book fair's theme "Paws to Read;" students are encouraged to dress up with a dog or cat "paws" theme. Classes can earn a bonus participation merit badge.
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences** are scheduled for Thursday, Feb 15. Students will be released at 1:30 pm. Teachers will be contacting you to schedule any conferences.



February dates to remember:

- 6 – PTT meeting in art room
- 8 – School Store at Lunchtime
- 9 – Geography Bee Finals – 2:00 in cafeteria
- 9 – Book Fair kick-off "Paws" dress up day
- 12-15 – Book Fair in library
- 14-15 – NO ½ Day Kindergarten
- 15 – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Students dismiss at 1:30 pm
- 16 – NO SCHOOL
- 19 – President's Day – NO SCHOOL
- 22 – School Store after school
- 22 – Popcorn money due
- 23 – Walkathon
- 23 – Spirit Day (Workout theme)
Assembly at 2:30
- 23 – Popcorn Day