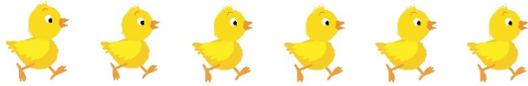


Union Elementary School News...



Lion's Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 13th, Union City Park at 2:40 PM. Please send an Easter basket with your KG - 3rd grade student.



First Grade

Is it Spring yet? When is it going to be warm so we can play outside? These have been common questions in First Grade and I'm sure at home as well. The students are anxious to get outside and run and play in the sunshine! But, aren't we all by now!! However, their focus has been amazing in the classroom during this LONG winter season. We have worked hard in our reading curriculum and I'm proud to say that each student, in their own journey has shown improvement. Math is beginning to move us towards double digit addition and subtraction which propels us nicely into 2nd grade learning!

I wanted to praise the 1st graders on their special awards the past couple of months. Our class earned the School Board Wise Owl award for showing recent improvements in academics, behavior, and overall kindness and thoughtfulness towards others. What a special recognition. We also earned, for the second time this year, the Music Award which is given by the music teacher, Mrs. Maxwell. Most recently our class was chosen as the most well behaved class in the lunchroom by our friendly cooks and lunchroom staff. These are all such wonderful accomplishments that make me very proud as their teacher! You should be proud of your kiddo too and all that he or she has achieved this year! The growth of this class is great!!



Third Grade

We've been learning so much in third grade, and we're excited for the rest of the year. We've been practicing our multiplication, learning about fractions, learning how to tell time, and we just started writing our own stories.

We're really enjoying our swim lessons at Veteran's Memorial Pool in La Grande. We're already almost halfway through the two week session.

As we wrap up the year, we will continue preparing for state testing, complete another research writing project, and many other fun activities!



Fourth Graders

The fourth grade has had a very productive winter! We have worked with adding and subtracting fractions, begun an investigation of electricity, studied the history of Oregon, and have worked with several different types of literature. This spring the fourth grade is looking forward to geometry, electrical experiments, learning about the Oregon Trail, Cove Play Day, and the Fourth Grade Field Trip!

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Wednesday
May 10th, 2016
6:00 to 7:00 PM



Kindergarten Classroom, Miller Building

6th Grade

This is a very exciting and busy time of the year! During the 4th quarter, Mr. Nowak's class will be transitioning from earth science into physical science. The students will be studying the physical and chemical properties of matter. To study density and buoyancy, the kids will need to design a boat using aluminum foil, and test it to see which design holds the most pennies. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. In addition, we will be investigating Newton's three laws of motion (Inertia, $F=ma$, & every action has an equal and opposite reaction). Students will test water rockets to determine the optimum amount of water to make the rockets soar the highest!

In math, students have just finished mastering ratios, proportions, and percentages. We are looking forward to delving into statistics, perimeter, area, circumference, volume, and integers this final quarter.

In writing, each student will be presenting a "How to....." speech to the class in which they teach the class a skill or hobby.

Finally, May is full of fieldtrips to Cove Play Day, Swim Day, Union Cemetery, and Union Museum.



Union High School Bands will be sponsoring EOSSMA (Eastern Oregon Small Schools Music Association) Band festival this year. It is Wednesday, April, 12th. We welcome everyone from the community to come and watch the bands perform. The concert will be at 2:15. This is a big deal to our students. April 26th is the spring concert. Elementary will be performing from 6:00 PM to 6:45. The High School and 6th grade band will be playing from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Please bring your children 15 minutes early. Finally, the band will be playing for graduation.

Thank you for all of your support throughout the year. Sarah Maxwell

Kindergarten News

Spring, spring, spring, spring, spring. We are celebrating spring! We have looked for signs of spring on our playground and in our neighborhood. We have found worms, flowers, buds, and bugs. Now, we are hatching eggs and learning about oviparous animals. In math, we celebrated the 100 days of school with lot of dress up fun! We are getting really great at knowing our teen numbers! In reading, we keep learning new vocabulary words. We are getting better and better at sounding out new words. Spring is here and we can't wait to keep learning new things!



Second Grade News

Third quarter was busy for 2nd grade. We spent a lot of time learning about heroes of lore and writing about our personal heroes. Time was of the essence as we learned to tell time on both analog and digital clocks. Money was also in the forefront as student counted coins and dollars.

Joining our class for 8 weeks is Mrs. Mandi Parsons. She is finishing her student teaching practicum, and we are thrilled to have her as part of our class.

Finally, there are chicken eggs about to hatch in our classroom. Once they hatch and are strong, children whose parents agreed will be adopting them and taking them home to their forever homes.

Only nine weeks left . . . where has the time gone!