



# PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> 2018

1:00 -7:00 PM

- Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> --½ Day for students
- Friday February 16<sup>th</sup>-- No school for students
- Monday February 19<sup>th</sup>-- Presidents Day- No school for students and staff



2nd Grade has been working hard! We are adding and subtracting three digit numbers. We are learning different ways to help us regroup. Our next unit we will add and subtract to 1,000. Please continue to work on this skill at home. In Reading we are finishing up our Read Aloud on Western Expansion. We have learned about heading west on the Oregon Trail, the Pony Express, the Transcontinental Railroad and much more!! We will work on Opinion writing next by writing a letter.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade news:

We are currently studying and learning how to retell stories, describe characters, and solve multi-step word problems. Please continue to work on multiplication and division facts. We look forward to seeing you on conference night



Library News!! We will have our Family Literacy Night on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 -7:30. Entertainment will be provided by Kevin Kidd who performs kid-friendly music that deals with building character & the NEED To READ!!! More information will be sent home regarding more details about this event at a later date. We will have our spring book fair March 5-9.

### MUSIC NEWS:

Looking forward to everyone coming out to support our annual South Elementary Black History Month Program. It will be held on February 23, 2018 at 9:00am in the South Elementary School gymnasium. Hope to see you there!

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### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade News:

In reading, we are working on the basics of literature and narratives. In math, students are multiplying and dividing fractions and visiting the concept of using line plots. In science, we are learning about the solar system. In social studies, we are about to begin our study on WW1. Please send in tissues and hand sanitizer.



Fourth grade is off to a good and busy start in 2018. We are working hard to prepare for the TN Ready test that will be given in a few months. Students are able to get on their I-Ready accounts at home to practice these skills as well. If you do not have their log-in information, please contact your child's homeroom teacher and we will be happy to send this information home. We have 4-H on February 15<sup>th</sup> for all 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. We have encouraged all students to choose at least one of the three projects to complete, but they can do all 3 if they choose to. Please remember to check your child's agenda or Class Dojo account for their daily behavior. We are having an overall issue in 4<sup>th</sup> grade with excessive talking in class and in the hallway. If your child is losing points or tickets for this behavior, please discuss with them that they miss important information in class if they are talking when they are not supposed to. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at Parent-Teacher conferences next week.



Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Matthews, and Mrs. Parker



# FEBRUARY



Dear South Elementary Parents,  
 January ushers in the beginning of a new year and a continued commitment at South Elementary for every child to be successful and to become life-long learners. It is our hope to help each child discover that education is the most powerful tool to improve the quality of their lives. Parents here are some tips that can help your child with academic success at school.

- Complement your child's work and success in school.
- Point out the accomplishments you are proud of and identify with your child one or two areas to improve.
- Provide a homework time and quiet study area for your child.
- Establish a regular bedtime hour to ensure your child gets adequate sleep.
- Read to and with your child, and have your child read to you.

Thank you for all that you do to prepare your child for school each day. Please read at least 20 minutes a day with your child



**It's the most important time of the day!**  
**Mr. Nelson**

## Kindergarten News:

We have thoroughly enjoyed studying "Native Americans" in Reading. We are looking forward to our new unit, "Kings and Queens." in Math, we have continued to learn about measurement (length, weight, volume, and capacity.) We are having fun practicing our phonics skills lessons in the afternoon, segmenting words, decoding, blending, and especially, **READING!** We have grown leaps and bounds, physically and academically... our sights are set on **FIRST GRADE**

First grade is a sweet place to be this February! We are working hard on informative and narrative writing. The students are doing well and we are so proud of them! We are beginning Module 3 in Math. We will be learning about measurement and data. Students will be using non-standard units such as paper clips and cubes to measure items. In reading, we will begin our domain on Animals and Habitats. The students will really LOVE this domain! Please remember to have your child read every night!

Pre-K is a great place to be. We are learning many new and exciting things. During the month of February we will complete our unit on transportation. We have enjoyed exploring many different means of transportation. This month we will begin to study about many different types of animals. In math, we will continue working on the numbers 6-10. We are enjoying solving math problems together and exploring many different math concepts through the use of manipulatives during our Math centers. In writing, we are discovering how to write about what we draw. We are becoming great authors and illustrators. We are looking forward to a great month of fun and learning.

**Mrs. Smith & Mrs. Tracy**



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## IMPORTANT

We want all children to be present at school each and every day. Good attendance is key to academic success. However, we are in the midst of cold and flu season. IF your child has fever or is vomiting they must be fever and/or vomit free for 24 hours to return to school. Please send a Dr. statement in with your child when they return to school. Thank you so much for your help in this matter.

