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Falcon Newsletter

I think every school year seems to go by faster and faster. For many of you that have 6th graders you probably feel like they were just in Kindergarten. We have finished up the IRI testing for the K-3 grades and we will be starting the ISAT testing in April. The next few months are going to fly by even though spring is not quite on its way. I hope that the school year has gone smoothly for you and your children. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact the school.

Speaker Systems

Your child may have come home and talked about a fancy microphone that their teacher is using. We are excited to be using a new system that has been installed in all of the classrooms. The district received stimulus money that was to be used for Special Education. Our District Special Education Director decided to put speaker systems in all of the classrooms because it would benefit the special education programs. Studies have shown that in classrooms that had systems similar to these, the students performed much better because they were more engaged and could hear the teacher. The teachers are really enjoying the system and the teachers are saying that it seems the students are paying more attention. It is also helping with the teachers voices and the students are able to use a microphone when they speak.

Important Dates to Remember

February 8: Monday Early -Release Day
No AM Kindergarten

February 15: No School Presidents' Day

PTO Update and Library

We will be having a Barnes and Noble Book Fair on February 10 and 11. It will be held at Barnes and Noble in the Grand Teton Mall. The Disney Princesses and a Jedi will be joining us at the book fair. Bring your camera and have your picture taken with a Disney Princess on Thursday night from 6:30 to 7:30. There will also be a variety of activities for your children to participate in and they will even get to hear their teachers read stories. We hope to see you all there.

Ski and Board Club

We have gone two times to Kelly Canyon and I feel the program so far has been a success. We had more sign up the second time and I am hoping the next two times in February will have even more students and family members sign up. It has been a great activity to take the family and spend some time together. The next two dates are February 12th and February 26th. If you are interested in going you can pick up the forms at the office or you can print them online at:

<http://www3.d93.k12.id.us/media/120193/ski%20trip.pdf>

From the Library

We had another AR assembly last week and every time I see the number of students joining the different clubs I am amazed. The students are reading and even more importantly, they are enjoying the reading.

So far this year, the students have read 26,089 books. They have also read 130,038,316 words from library books. We have a computer that calculates the numbers for us. 😊

Valentine's Day Reminder

With the upcoming Valentine's Day holiday, please be aware of the following school district policy:

"Bonneville Joint School District No. 93 will not permit latex balloons, gloves, or other materials known to contain latex, to be brought on any school premises or at any school sponsored activity, regardless of location."
(Policy 3515, second paragraph)

Accordingly, we cannot allow any latex products to enter the school, as it may be a danger to some students. Also, we would ask you not to have flowers or other items delivered to the school -- they cause distractions in the classroom, plus these items are not allowed on the bus.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

PTO Update

The PTO will be having a fundraiser coming up in the next couple of months. If you have any questions you can contact Mandi Stacey.

We will also be having a Science Fair in the Month of March.

5 Ways to Help Your Young Adolescents Succeed in School *Teach My Kid-I Dare You*

1. Encourage your child to make wise television choices.
2. Ask in a variety of ways about homework assignments.
3. Compare your child's progress to his or her ability, not to those of siblings or other children.
4. Praise your child when homework or responsibilities are completed.
5. Create a Homework Survival Kit (assignment notebook, pencil, paper, pencil sharpener, eraser, scissors, dictionary, calculator, ruler, flat surface).

Upcoming Events

- **Feb. 8:** Early Release Day **No AM Kindergarten**
- **Feb. 10:** School Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. at the District Office
- **Feb. 10:** Barnes and Noble Book Fair 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **Feb. 11:** Barnes and Noble Book Fair 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **Feb14:** Valentine's Day
- **Feb. 15:** Presidents' Day **No School**
- **Mar. 3:** 4th Grade Idaho History Program 7:00 p.m. at Fairview
- **Mar. 8:** Kindergarten Roundup