

# Idaho Hill Elementary Newsletter

March 2018

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Dear Parents.

A word from our principal.

The month of March is unique because we have 5 days of school every week until spring vacation, which begins for students on Friday, March 30th. Our staff and students are working hard to help students master their grade level learning targets both academically and socially. With your partnership, it is amazing to watch your kids grow!

Our school has received over \$12,000 in grants to incorporate more science, technology, engineering and math into our daily lessons. We have laptops, i-pads, 3-d pens, 3-d printer, lego robotics, lego simple machines kits and many other materials. In addition, our staff has been attending conferences and are applying for training sessions this summer to help us integrate more STEM into the curriculum. We are finding increasing student engagement and excitement as we move forward. I heard a student reporting the other day, "I love math!" They are learning essential skills and then applying them to solve real world problems.

At the end of this month our students in grades 3-6<sup>th</sup> will be participating in our district writing and math assessments. Students in grades 3-6 will demonstrate their knowledge by writing an essay and solving a real world math problem. We are excited to see the student growth in all subject areas this year . We continue to focus our instruction based upon each students' needs.

Socially, we have been re-teaching/teaching ways to be **safe**, **kind**, **respectful**, **and responsible** to each other! Our staff continually adjusts our instruction based on our observations in our school community. You may hear your child talk about specific lessons teaching them what it means to be safe, kind, respectful, and responsible. Student council has also taken a quarterly student survey! Please spend time discussing the above topics and their importance for our kids to be successful.

Our Bulldog Bookshelf has become a favorite place to find a just right book! We have more students reading than ever before....and they love books....Just ask your children who their favorite author is. Even though our book drive is over, we are always in need of books. You can bring any children's books any time of the year and we will add them to our collection.

Thanks to our many sponsors and volunteers; we have many wonderful activities coming up this spring. Please be sure to look through the newsletter and mark your calendars! You are always welcome to join our events.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Luckey

Breakfast, Books & Buddies Friday, March 2nd from 7:30—8:30

Come join our students for breakfast and read a book together celebrating Read Across

America
Day.

#### No School:

3/30/18—Teacher In-Service Day (No Students) 4/2/18—4/6/18—Spring Break

#### GRIT

Always doing your best, no matter how hard.

- Always do your best.
- 2. Work hard—don't give up.
- 3. Try, try, try again.
- 4. Diligence, dedication, persistence.

After School Club Monday & Wednesday 2:30-3:40 p.m.

See your student's teacher for more details.

Idaho Theater for Youth presents:

"Around the World in 80 days" 3/28/18 at 9 a.m.





#### Readers

Feb. 26-March 2nd

Special guests will be visiting all week to surprise students and read to the Classroom.

Extra forms and information are available in the office.

### After School Art

March 15th, 2:30-3:45 p.m.



Participation forms will be sent home soon.
Please remember, there is limited space
available so be sure and return your permission
slip right away.

## Silverwood Reading Is The Ticket

Reading logs are due March 9th.



Students must read 600 minutes (10 hrs.) to earn a free ticket to Silverwood Theme Park.

#### Calendar of Upcoming Events

Feb 26-Mar 2	Mystery Readers
March 2	Read Across America
	Breakfast, Books & Buddies
March 7	5th grade to NIC for Symphony
March 21	Board Meeting @ 6 p.m.
March 26	Preschool Library 12:30-1 p.m.
March 28	Idaho Theater for Youth 9 a.m.
March 29	End of 3rd Qtr
March 30	No School for Students/Teacher

Work day



#### 3rd Quarter

#### **Bulldog Reading Challenge**



Read 20 minutes a day for a minimum of 3 days to earn the weekly reward.

Forms must be signed and returned by Friday to be eligible to receive that week's Reading Reward.

6 out of 8 reading logs will earn a trip to our Reading Challenge Carnival 4 a free ice cream cone from Epic.

#### Preschool Library Time

Monday, 3/26/18 12:30-1 p.m.

Preschoolers and parents are invited to join us in the Library this month on Monday, 1/29/18 to check out books and meet some of our staff. We hope to see you there.

#### Parenting with Love & Logic

Wednesday's March 7, 14, 21 & 28.

5:30—7 p.m. at PRE

Contact Cherie Coldwell to register.

208-448-1211 ext. 6 or cheriecoldwell@sd83.org

#### **Adult Financial Education Workshop**

At PRLHS on Monday, 3/26/18 from 6-7 p.m.

STCU will present a workshop on Fraud & ID Theft Prevention. A light meal is provided by STCU. Advanced registration is required. Please contact Cherie Coldwell at 208-448-1211 ext. 6 or cheriecoldwell@sd83.org.

#### Parent & Teachers Together

Tuesday, March 13th

2:30 p.m. in the library

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Remember to keep turning in those box tops!