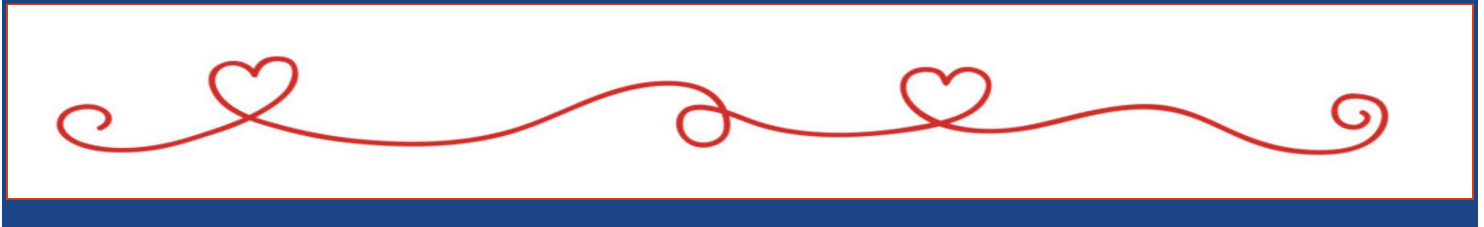


FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2022



Hello Panther Families!

Happy New Year! Can you believe we are already at the semester, and half way through the year?? With this, we are completing our mid-year assessment period so we can see the growth of our students and use this data to make the adjustments needed to ensure our students are getting the best education possible! We look forward to sharing your child's progress with you at our **Parent Teacher Conferences** on **February 15 & 17**. Please be sure to schedule a time with your child's teacher as we usually do - be looking for information being sent through Skyward! This is an excellent opportunity to connect with your child's teachers and continue the partnerships you have created this year. If you have any questions, concerns, or celebrations, please reach out to us!

From our music department - Please mark your calendar for the following dates:

Kindergarten: Tuesday, March 8th, **1st Grade:** Monday, March 7th,
2nd Grade: Tuesday, March 8th, **3rd Grade:** Monday, March 7th.

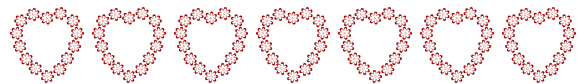
All concerts will be in the evening. Performance times will be announced as we get closer to the performance date, as we monitor the health levels in our community. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Our Parent Advisory and PTO groups are continuing to meet each month, 2nd Thursday - if you are interested, we are having some GREAT conversations! Please feel free to join us!

We are getting to the time of the year where the weather could be beautiful one day and not-so-beautiful the next! Please be sure to equip your child with all of the winter weather necessities: Coats, hats, gloves/mittens, scarves, boots, snow pants, face masks,....Please be sure all are labeled! Students will have outdoor recess unless the temperature is below a real feel temperature of zero degrees.

Tami Bagstad :) Principal

Just a reminder that students should have a change of clothing that is appropriate for the season at school especially for our lower grades. If you have borrowed clothing from the nurse's office, please wash and return it.



Please send snow pants, hats and mittens daily with your children. They will be outside if weather permits. Extra gloves and hats packed in a backpack is a great idea for those sloppy wet snowy days.





If anyone has any gently used pants (elastic waist band preferably) and/or underwear that their child has outgrown, we are in need of boys and girls sizes 5-8.
THANKS!



**Kindergarten
Registration
2022-2023**

If you have a student who will be five years old by September 1, 2022 and your child does not attend WSES 4K program, please contact the elementary school office at 608-786-1662 to pre-register.

**4K Registration
and Child
Development Days**



If you have a child who will be four years old by September 1, 2022 please pre-register your child for our 4K enrollment. Contact the elementary school office at 608-786-1662 or email Jane Frank at frank.jane@wsalem.k12.wi.us to pre-register.

Once registered you will receive an email in February with more registration information and the opportunity to sign up for an in-person screening. In-person screening sessions will be either Tuesday, March 1st or Thursday, March 3rd.

Please contact the elementary office at 608-786-1662 or email Jane Frank at frank.jane@wsalem.k12.wi.us to pre-register.

3-year-old Child Development Days

Thursday, Feb. 24, from 3:30-5:30PM OR
Friday, Feb. 25, from 9-11AM

As part of on-going Child-Find efforts our district will be hosting free developmental screening clinics at West Salem Elementary School. We will be using the Ages and Stages online questionnaire, paired with in person screening sessions. Early Childhood staff and a speech therapist will be available to interact with your child while looking for specific developmental milestones.

If you have a child who will be three years old by September 1, 2022 please contact Amber Clark at 608-786-1662 ext 3117 or clark.amber@wsalem.k12.wi.us in order to get a link for the online ASQ and to sign-up for a screening time. Please plan on the whole process taking approximately 30-45 minutes.

Hello Families,
If you are interested in cleaning out your closets and your children no longer play with the items listed we would love to take them off your hands!



Shopkins, LOL Dolls, Hatchables, Legos, etc... Thank you so much! We will put it to good use!

Mrs. Wagner's Kindergarten Class
Room 121



POP TOPS

Please continue to save POP TOPS to benefit the Ronald McDonald House of Madison! We will keep a container at the elementary school!

Mark your calendars!



February 9th -

Early Release
Day Students
are dismissed at 12:20pm

February 7th - February 18th - Book Fair

February 15th and/or February 17th - Parent/Teacher Conferences

February 18th - NO SCHOOL



SAVE THE DATES!

July 18-August 5
Monday - Friday
8:30 - 11:45

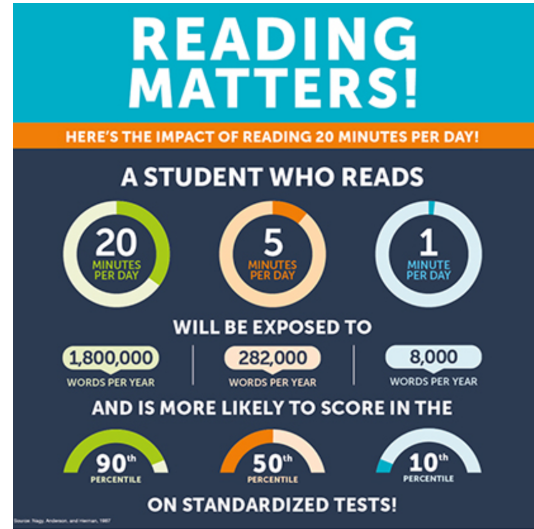
Watch for more information!

Elementary School Parents and Families:

Did you know? Reading just 20 minutes a day exposes your child to about **1.8 million words** per year.

Reading helps students develop a stronger vocabulary and students who read for pleasure average higher grades in English, mathematics, science, and history!

Encourage your child to read books for fun by attending our upcoming book fair. Allow your child to choose the books they want to read! It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level.



Elementary School Book Fair

February 7-11 and 14-17

During the 3rd and 4th grade recess from 1-1:45

February 15 and 17

During Parent Teacher Conferences
2:30-7:00 P.M.

We look forward to seeing you and your family! Remember, all purchases benefit our school. Thank you for supporting our readers!