



Hillside News

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A Look Back & Ahead!

Hillside Families,

It is so hard to believe that we have entered the month of March already. Spring weather seems to have visited us a bit early, and the Hillside students and staff are loving it! The students have been able to get out for fresh air during recess, and they are enjoying time with their friends.

All of our students from Preschool-Grade 4 have been focused on their learning. Our halls and classrooms are abuzz with conversations from students about the content they are studying. Our Hillside Staff remains committed to student achievement, and it is evident when I visit the classrooms.

We have Kindergarten Round Up around the bend for our incoming kindergarteners. We ask that all families visit the district website to register their child for kindergarten. K-Round Up will be held on March 6th, 7th, 9th, & 10th from 1:30-3:00. There will also be an evening session on March 8th from 6:00-8:00pm. Please bring all necessary paperwork with you when you come.

Jump Rope for Heart was a huge success. Hats off to all of our families for raising over \$11,000. A big thank you goes out to Ms. Ingham and our parent volunteers for helping to make this event a success. I am looking forward to getting soaked along with Ms. Ingham and Mrs. Betley. The next day that is 65 degrees and sunny we will be heading outside for the soaking. The entire school also was rewarded with extra recess. This will take place either on March 3rd or 10th pending the weather.

I have been having a wonderful time rewarding all of the classrooms who have earned the Star Spatula Awards from our Lunch Stars Program. All of the students have been doing a wonderful job working hard to follow the school and cafeteria rules. More popcorn, popsicle, and extra recess parties are in their future!

Best Regards,
Dr. Madden

Happenings for this Month

- March 1st & 2nd—Early Dismissal & Parent Teacher Conferences
- Read Across America Activities:
 - March 2nd--Cat in the Hat Visit
 - March 3rd--Dress Like Your Favorite Seuss Character or in Seuss Color & Drop Everything and Read
- March 3rd—One Book One School Mini Assemblies
- March 10th--Spirit Day- Wear Your Favorite Sport's Team Jersey and Hat
- March 9th--Spring Pictures
- March 16th (Professional Development Day)--Early Dismissal Day
- March 16th—Hillside Hoops
- March 20-24th --- Book Fair
- March 20th and 21st---PARCC Practice Tests

Nurse's Nook

The Commission for the Blind is coming to provide vision screenings for all of our Preschool and Kindergarten students on March 7, 2017.



ONE BOOK ONE SCHOOL

The Newhart family has graciously donated the funds to support our One Book One School in honor of their daughter, Tracy Newhart. Thank you to the Newhart family & the PTO for their help with providing the labels for the inside of the books.

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- Spring Teacher Luncheon—March 3rd
- Kids' Social---March 2nd
- Half Day Snacks---March 1st, 2nd, and 16th
- Read Across America---March 2nd
- Hillside Hoops---March 16th
- Book Fair----March 20-24th
- Book Fair Family Night---March 21st
- Bingo Night---March 21st
- Boy's Night Out Event---March 24th

Counselor's Corner SAVE THE DATE

PARCC Schedule:
Grades 3 & 4---Math April 3, 4, 5, & 6th
Grades 3 & 4---ELA April 7th, 12th, & 13th

Formal Letter from Hillside will be coming soon with more details☺