Afton Elementary Newsletter

May 2022

Principal Message

This has been a school year to remember! These past 8 months, we have continued to see the positive effects of remaining in school consistently. We have welcomed parent volunteers and community support into the school again this year which has been another great reminder that we have wonderful families and a strong community. Nelson Mandella once said; "History will judge us by the difference we make in the everyday lives of children." Our parents and teachers make positive differences in the lives of children every day and for that, I am grateful. Students are truly getting excited for summertime and I hope that in whatever your summer brings, that you enjoy it with your family! Speaking of summer, our architects and contractors are ready to begin our new classroom additions by the end of this month. We have had some time to plan with them and I am confident that with the safety barriers and other construction considerations in place, that we will be able to progress through a safe and efficient construction project. Thank you all for your support and work to make Afton Elementary a wonderful place to learn and work!

Principal Robinson

Breakfast and Lunch For Next Year

Next year, breakfast and lunch will <u>not</u> be free for everyone. However, there will still be a free and reduced lunch program for those that qualify. We encourage parents to sign up for free and reduced meals just before school starts.

Construction

The state has approved 8 new classrooms to be added to our building. Construction will begin on the addition during the middle of May. The area will be fenced off for the kids safety. Construction will last through the entirety of next year and possibly beyond.

Registration

Don't forget to re-register your students for next year at the following link. This needs to be done as soon as possible. We will be sending home the 2022/2023 teacher assignments on the last day of school if you have registered for next year.

Coming Events

May 2....Teacher Requests Due

May 4.....Kindergarten
Registration Night 5-7 PM

May 6.....Kindergarten Field Trip

May 6.....Color Fun Run

May 10....PTO Meeting 8 AM

May 13...No School

May 17....1st Grade Wyoming Reads

May 17.....2nd Grade Field Trip To Zoo

May 20....No School

May 23.....2nd Grade Play

May 24.....Kindergarten Field Trip

May 24.....1st Grade Field Trip

May 25.....Field Day

May 26.....Last Day of School Early Release 10:54 & 11:04

Learning Update

Kindergarten - The month of May is such an exciting time in kindergarten! In this month, we will have two field trips, a kindergarten celebration, and lots of end-of-the-year fun things. Our first field trip will be to Gardner's family farm to see the new, baby animals and view what is happening on a farm. This will be on the morning of May 6th. Our second trip will be to Grover Park. We will do some Earth Day activities and get a kickstart to the summer reading program. This will be on the afternoon of May 24th.

The kindergarten program for parents will be performed in two sections on May 19th. Watch for an upcoming letter for when your child's group will perform. We are excited to share with parents what we have learned!

We also have great things to do in math. We are working on becoming fluent on addition and subtraction with number problems to 10 using a variety of tools. Students will also explore different ways to make 10 with missing addends and pairing numbers. We will also review 2 and 3 dimensional shapes by naming and comparing, building, drawing and finding them in the environment.

In writing for this month, kindergarteners will practice writing personal stories and using writing conventions.

Last Friday, we celebrated our kindergarten sing. Lamont Johnson played the guitar while we sang some old favorite songs. Also, citizenship awards were given to kindergarteners. Earning the **Great Friend Award** was Donta Speth, Gracie Horsley, Jaxon Parsons, Tyric Putnam, Spencer Griffith, and Seth Stauffer. **Super Helper Award** was earned by Thomas Colvin, McCoy Stevens, Jack Frome, Liam Burgess, Eden Nielsen, Ruby Wolfley, and Unique Journey Hillstead. **Hard Worker Award** was given to Kaylee Call, Jayce Lilly, Trayson Humbert, Anson Huntsman, Abby Johnson, Ryder McCollum, and Ryker Dowling. **Bucket Filler Award** was given to Malakai Horrocks, Haiden Keehn, Hunter Bailey, Camiyah Bagley, Sophie Hunsaker, Addie Linford, and Tagert Steed. **Tidy Luncher Award** was earned by Declan Powers-Corsi, Portia Teichert, Cameron Wunderrlich, Koda Kennington, Kellen Pulhar, and Tripp Clark. Kindergarten rocks!

1st Grade - It's so hard to believe that it's May already! Where has the time gone? This month is action packed with academics as well as really fun activities planned. We will start off with district and building assessments the second week of May. District Reading and Writing will take place on the 9th and 10th of May. Math will take place the following week on May 17th. The AIMS assessments (the more important ones) will be on Wednesday and Thursday the 11th and 12th. Make sure your student gets good rest and eats a good breakfast on those days. The first grade Wyoming Reads celebration will be on Wednesday the 17th. This will be a fun day where our students get a free book from the state and will have hands-on learning opportunities that go along with their free book. In the middle of all of this, we get to host the Teton Raptor assembly for our first graders, enjoy a school wide color run, and have a fun field day. Our last field trip will be on May 24th. More information to come. Thank you for sharing your sweet children with us! They have worked hard and will be so excited for summer! Our goal is that they will keep reading all summer long so second grade will be more successful! Have a great summer!

2nd Grade - It is May! This year has flown by! During these last few weeks we will be busy testing and having some fun celebrating our successes. District end of year testing will take place May 9-16th. On May 17th, we will be going to the zoo in Idaho Falls.

On Monday, May 23rd, the second grade will be performing a play called "Over the Bridge". This amazing performance will be broadcast on SVI for those who cannot attend in person. Hopefully this will allow everyone who wants to see it the chance to do so.

Some of the classes are also hatching baby chicks! We are eagerly anticipating their successful arrival. If you have a chance, come in and see what's hatching.

As a second grade team, we have enjoyed teaching your children and watching them learn and grow. As you know, May 26th is the last day of school. Hopefully you will spend some time going on adventures and enjoying the warm weather. If you can, take some time to read and write about the things you are doing. It will help keep skills sharp for the fall. Have a great summer everyone!

3rd Grade - Wow! Here we are wrapping up Third Grade! Didn't we just start school last week? We have been doing a lot of work since Spring Break to review and prepare for our upcoming tests. May is a month of both testing and fun! We are currently taking our WYTopp tests. We also have district tests coming soon. One thing parents can do to help at home, is make sure kids are well rested and eat a good breakfast; not just on testing days, but all days. Remember, if there isn't time for breakfast at home, it is available at school as well. Also, remind your kids that while it's important to do their best, they are much more important than the test. We love your kids and know they are not a test score. Look for a note that will be coming home soon outlining all the fun things we will be doing to count down to 4th grade! Don't blink or the month of May will pass us by!

Honors Readers

The following students have earned their 1st honors:

Tommy Hensley, Grant McClure, Katelyn Myers, Abby Kucharek, Nova Dowling, Hope Sandoval, Rob Erickson, Brityn Linford, Beckham Schwab, Levi England, Braxton McPherson, London Statham, Harper Barrett, Santiago Pina-Perez, Kylie Anderson, Melanie Ayres, Luke Spencer, Grey Frome, and George Doulgerakis.

Earning 2nd honors is: Gunner Humpherys

Earning his 3rd honors is: Sid Clark

Congratulations to them for working so hard to earn this.

Math

The following students have passed off their math facts.

Addition: Jaeli Allred, Kanzis Bolinder, Luke Hale, Canon Trauntvein, and Charles Hale.

Subtraction: Kanzis Bolinder, Canon Trauntvein, Charles Hale, and Aizly Wolfley.

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Afton, Etna	Sausage Pancake Wrap or- Trix Cereal Bar YogurtServed With 100% Juice Variety Applesauce	10 Yogurt Parfait -or- Campfire S'mores Bar String CheeseServed With- 100% Juice Variety Tropical Fruit	17 Sausage Pancake Wrap -oror- Trix Cereal Bar YogurtServed With- 100% Juice Variety Applesauce	24 Yogurt Parfait -oror- String CheeseServed With- 100% Juice Variety Tropical Fruit	31
May 2022	Breakfast Pizza -0r -0r Cinnamon Toasters Cereal String Cheese	9 Mini Strawberry Bagel Chewy Maple Granola Bar YogurServed With 100% Juice Variety Dried Cranberries	16 Breakfast Pizza Oinnamon Toasters Cereal String CheeseServed With 100% Juice Variety Diced Peaches	23 Mini Strawberry Bagel Ohewy Maple Granola Bar YogurtServed With- 100% Juice Variety Dried Cranberries	30 Nemorial Day

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Friday	6 Pig-in-Blanket Fresh Grapes Cucumber Sticks Emoji Fries	No School	20 No School	Summer Break! See You Next Year!	rider
Lunch	 Diced Chicken Gravy Whole Grain Roll Fresh Strawberries Mashed Potatoes Baby Carrots 	12 SW Chicken Flatbread Fresh Pineapple Black Beans Green Salad Grape Tomatoes	19 Cheese Pizza Applesauce Steamed Broccoli Baby Carrots	²⁶ Early Release No Lunch Served	This institution is an equal opportunity provider Menus are subject to change without notice
Wednesday	 Spaghetti Sauce With Meat Spaghetti Pasta Diced Peaches Celery Sticks Fresh Broccoli 	Chili Diced Pears Celery Sticks Baby Carrots Cinnamon Roll	Baked Chicken Chimichanga Watermelon Wedge Refried Beans Green Salad Grape Tomatoes	Pepperoni Pizza Ripper Pineapple Tidbits Green Salad Grape Tomatoes Ice Cream Sandwich	This institution is an equal opportu Menus are subject to change without notice
Tuesday	3 Pork Rib on a Bun Cantaloupe Pork and Beans Cucumber Sticks	10 Beef Steak Burger on a Bun Orange Smiles Fresh Cauliflower Green Peas Lettuce Tomato	17 Debra's Sloppy Joe on a Bun Mandarin Oranges Green Beans Cucumber Sticks	Beef Nacho's Frozen Juice Cup Mixed Vegetables Fresh Cauliflower Black Beans	31
May 2022	 Chicken Burger Whole Grain Bun Tropical Fruit California Blend Vegetables Sweet Red Pepper Strips 	 Homestyle Chicken Strips Fresh Apple Slices Seasoned Waffle Fries Fresh Broccoli 	Legg Patty Sausage Patty French Toast Sticks Diced Peaches Hash Brown Wedge Fruit Power Punch	23 Breaded Chicken Drumstick Whole Grain Roll Diced Pears Mashed Potatoes Chicken Gray Celery Sticks	30 Memorial Day.