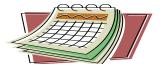
Tiger Talk



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Mark Your Calendar

- Feb 4, 11, 18, 25: 2nd and 3rd Grade Sign Club, 3:00-4:00
- Feb 9: Cultural Night 5:00 pm—7:00 pm
- Feb. 12: Classroom Valentine Parties, 2:15
- February 24: Parent/Teacher conferences 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- February 25:
 Parent/Teacher conferences 3:20 pm—8:00 pm
- March 1: Science Center Night 5:00 pm-8:00 pm
- March 3: 2nd and 3rd Grade Sign Club, 3:00-4:00
- March 8: 2nd & 3rd grade music performance 6:30 pm
- March 11-18: Spring Break, no school
- March 29-April 1: Iowa Assessments for 3rd-5th grades

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A Note From Mrs. Kerper

Dear Families,

Due to the spring break we are combining the February and March newsletters. Therefore, another one will not be coming until the first of April.

Parent/Teacher conferences are fast approaching. Attending conferences and supporting your child's learning is one of the most important things you can do for him/her. Around February 10th, you should be receiving a yellow note regarding your conference time. Please sign it and send it back to confirm the scheduled time, or contact the school office as soon as possible to reschedule by February 12th.

Please take special notice of all the important dates to the left and mark them on your family calendar. February and March are very busy months. In addition to conferences, we have a fun night at the Science Center, Cultural Night, a music performance, and of course, we have spring break to look forward to beginning on March 11th.

Iowa Assessments will be taking place for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders March 29—April 1 and, if needed, a few days of the next week. Please avoid scheduling any appointments or other events that will result in your child missing school, and please do your best to have your students here on time each day. In addition to Iowa Assessments, ELL students will be taking the English Language Proficiency Assessment for the 21st Century (ELPA21) beginning February 22nd.

As always, please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns. Sincerely,

Marsha Kerper, Principal

Hello Parents.

Who's ready for Spring? ME!

Our 2nd & 3rd Grade students are working hard preparing a "Spring Musical Extravaganza!" Mark your calendars now: Tuesday, March 8, 6:30pm in the Hiatt Middle School Auditorium. BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!



Mr. Tate, Vocal Music Teacher

Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Responsible

Kindergarten Sign-up

Kindergarten Sign-up for Fall 2016 will be Wednesday, April 20th from 2:30 P.M.-6:30 P.M. You are able to reserve a spot by going online or coming to Capitol View for assistance.

This is for all incoming kindergarteners. Children must be 5 years of age by September 15, 2016 to enroll in kinder-garten.

Please bring:

*birth certificate or hospital record

*child's immunization card

*proof of address (utility bill, rental agreement, cell phone bill, bank statement etc.) from March or April

Lost Items

It would really help you, and us, if you would label your child's belongings with their initials. We always have numerous unclaimed jackets. If the initials were in them we could easily



search our computer system and return them to the correct owner.



Winter Recess

When the snow is plowed from our playground and the temperature (including the windchill) is 15 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer, we will be outside. Please be sure your children come to school dressed appropriately for outdoor recess.

Scholastic Book Fair

Don't forget to visit our Scholastic Book Fair in the library during parent/teacher conferences from 2:00-6:30 on February 24th and 4:00-7:30 on the 25th. Your purchases help us earn money for library books.





Valentine Parties

Classrooms will be having Valentine parties on Friday, February 12th at 2:15. This is a great time to celebrate friendship. The students love to read

the fun notes from classmates. If your children choose to bring valentines, it is important that they be respectful and bring one for every child in the class.

You are invited to visit the classrooms at this time. If you would like to send treats, drinks, cups, or napkins for the party, please contact your child's teacher. District policy prohibits homemade treats. All treats must be storebought and packaged. Thank you.

Cultural Night

Join us for our 1st Capitol View Cultural Night on Tuesday, February 9th in the Capitol View gym. Some of our ELL



families will be sharing fun information, activities and food from their cultures and countries. Don't miss this night to celebrate our diversity!

Traffic Guidelines for Arrival and Dismissal

Please use our main entrance off of E. 16th St. for loading and unloading your students. This section is a ONE WAY, ONE LANE driveway to ensure we are not blocking the parking spots for those needing to enter the building. YOU MAY NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR or park for long periods of time unless you are in a parking spot. You may also pull into the spots on Capitol to drop off your child. When you drop off or pick up your student please pull forward as far as you can so more cars can get in the driveway at a time.

Our bus lane off E. Walnut is for buses only. Please do not pull in and wait for your student before or after school.

Persons with disabilities who need information about the accessibility to the building or who need sign or language interpreters, please contact Marsha Kerper, Principal, at 242-8402.

PBIS Celebration

The students at Capitol View have been working hard to be respectful, responsible and safe. They met their first goal right before winter break and were able to "dress up" their teacher. Ask your student how they dressed their teacher and what they did to earn this privilege. Our next goal is to earn an opportunity for everyone to wear pajamas for the day. Goal number three is crazy hair day. The students are very excited and are working hard to achieve their goals. Please encourage your student to follow the Capitol View Expectations of being respectful, responsible and safe.

Read Across America

On Wednesday, March 2nd Capitol View will participate in "Read Across America Day" which is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on the birthday of beloved children's author, Dr. Seuss! Look for a note to come home and a Facebook post with details for the day.

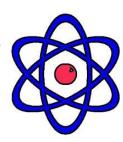
Spring Break Reading Logs

On Thursday, March 10th each child will bring home a SPRING BREAK reading log...check the backpacks and encourage your child to take the challenge of reading 20 minutes each day!



Capitol View Science Center Night SAVETHE DATE

Tuesday, March 1st Capitol View students and families are invited to attend a **FREE** night at the Science Center from 5 pm to 8 pm. Free transportation will be provided to and from Capitol View.



Please watch for a note to come home and a Facebook post with more information.

An Afternoon at the Museum

4th grade families are invited to come to Capitol View on February 4 from 2:00 to 2:45 pm to see your child turn into the person they have been researching and learning about. 4th grade students are encouraged to dress up as their famous person or to bring props, but it is not required. You should have received a note. 4th grade par-

ents please make sure you RSVP for this great event. If you have any questions please contact your child's teacher.



School Cancellations

June 2nd & 3rd are designated as make-up days on the Capitol View calendar. So far this year we have not had any weather-related cancellations. This means that our last day of school is June 1st, UNLESS we have additional cancellations due to weather. Please remember to check local television and radio stations, or the DMPS

website or Facebook page for information about cancellations during severe weather.



Thank you Mrs. Shaw! February 1st-5th is National School Counselors' Week. Take time this week to thank Mrs. Shaw for all she does for you and your family.



If your child gave you this newsletter, and you have read it from front to back, please fill out this small form and return it to the classroom teacher or the office by Friday, February 5th. He/She will be entered in a drawing for a free prize.

List names and grade levels of all family members that attend Capitol View:

