



Rib Lake Elementary February 2025 Newsletter



“When you are kind to others, it not only changes you, it changes the world.”

— Harold Kushner

♥ happy ♥
Valentine's
♥ day ♥

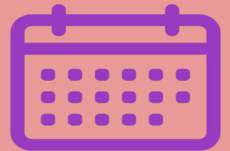
Student Absences:

Covid, cold & flu season are upon us!!! Sadly, with that, your student may not be able to attend school because he/she is not feeling well.

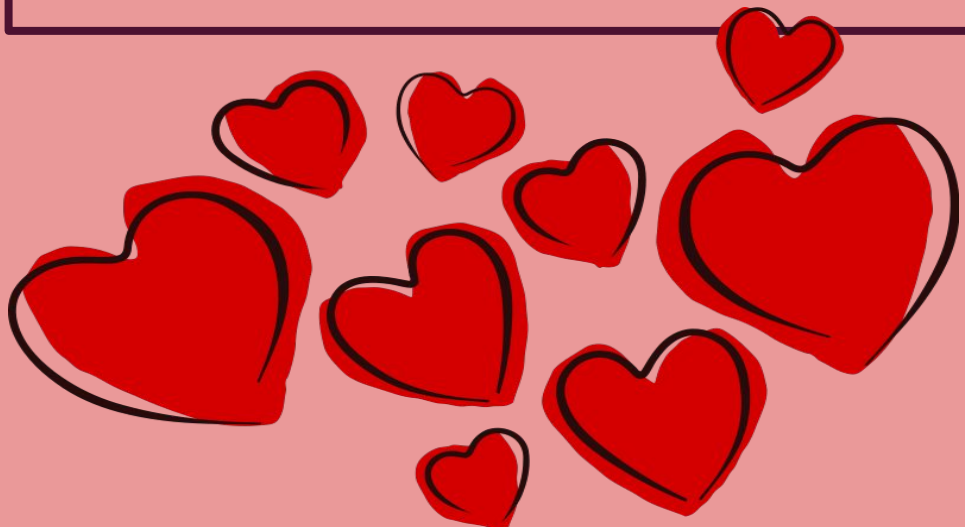
Please remember to call the school at 715.427.5818 before 9a.m. and let us know that your child will be out of school. Without a note or phone call, your child will be marked unexcused for that day.

Thank You :)

Upcoming Events:



- Feb. 27...Early Dismissal @ 12:15 for Elementary & P/T conferences 1-6pm
- Feb. 28... Teacher Inservice, School Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- Mar. 7... Grandparents Day (PreK-2nd Grade)
- Mar. 10-14.. No School- Spring Break
- Mar. 19... Kindergarten Field Trip
- Mar. 20... Spring Pictures
- Mar. 24-28... Book Fair Week
- Mar. 25... Family Reading Night 6pm-7:30pm
- Mar. 27... 4th Grade Wax Museum 1-2pm
- Mar. 28...End of Qtr. 3, Early Dismissal @ 12:15 for Elementary/Teacher Record Keeping



First Graders Clap Their Way Through Ice Cream Rhythms!

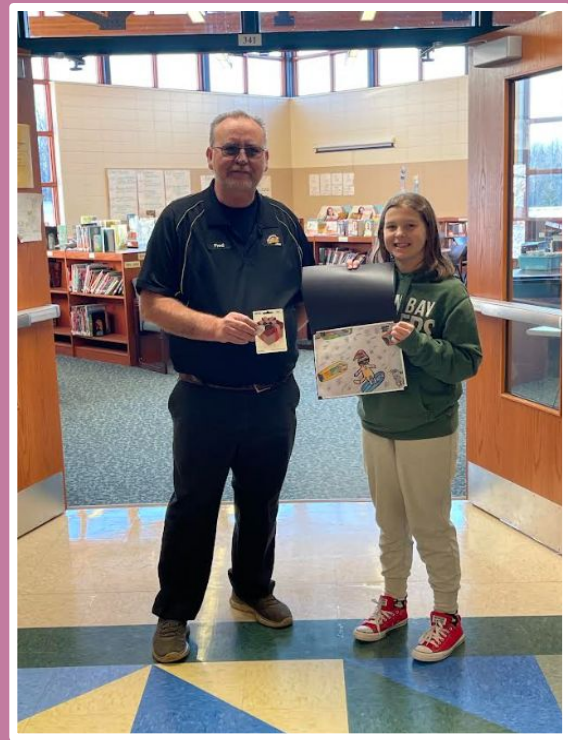


Winter doesn't keep the first grade class from clapping rhythms! Students have been working hard to read basic note values to perform through clapping ice cream flavors. They are also listening and composing in music class. If you walk past the music room, you'd hear them singing and them eagerly playing the ice cream challenge game pictured here. ~Mrs. Hoeffert

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Soup-er Bowl a success! We were able to deliver 418 soup and cracker items to the Rib Lake food pantry!



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LeeAnna Martin took 2nd place in the Schierl Tire coloring contest. She won \$250 for her class (5th grade activities) and a \$50 gift card for herself. Her picture will be the cover for Schierl Tire's thank you card next Christmas for our area.

We want to give a big THANK YOU to Lakewood Credit Union for their donation of many boots, snow pants, coats and mittens!



Pre-K Alphabet Parade

Pre-K students have been working hard to learn all the letters and celebrated with an alphabet parade through RLES!



Bus Driver Appreciation Week- Feb. 10-14th

5th grade students showed their appreciation to our bus drivers by holding this sign which was created by RLES students. A huge shout out to our very own bus drivers and Bartelt Bus Service. Rollie Thums, Jeff Probst, Darrel Lind, Jeanine Bartelt, Andy Weinzatl, Chip Bartelt, Steve Schreiner, Todd Henderson, and Jay Thums.



"THANKS FOR THE SWEET RIDE"
Bus drivers were given cinnamon rolls

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An Update from the Reading World



Did you know February 14th is National Read to your Child Day, February 20th is National Comfy Day and February 26th is National Tell a Fairy Tale Day? Can you also tell that somebody (eh-hem, maybe Mrs. Hessefort) got a 2025 National Holidays calendar for Christmas? ☺ You might be wondering why that is part of this newsletter. Well, all three of those days provide a great excuse to get comfy creating and reading your own family fairy tales! Check out the free sites below and enjoy the adventure!

<https://fairytalegenerator.com/generate> (this is the best site but you need to sign up for a free account)

<https://www.plot-generator.org.uk/fairytales/>

<https://generatestory.io/kids/ai-fairy-tale-generator/>

Oh, and mark your calendars for Family Reading Night coming up on March 25, 2025! Your hint to the theme is that it has to do with a white ball of some kind...



Counselor's Corner



This month, we focused on the character trait of kindness and celebrated Kindness Week (Feb. 9-15). During our REACH lessons, we explored how even small acts of kindness can make a big impact. A simple gesture- like a kind word, a helping hand or a thoughtful note- has the power to brighten someone's day and create a more compassionate and caring community. Take this opportunity to perform a random act of kindness with your child and inspire others to do the same! Here is a list of ideas:

Give Compliments: Offer sincere compliments to friends, family, and even strangers to brighten their day.

Pay It Forward: When you're at a coffee shop or drive-thru, pay for the order of the person behind you.

Send Thoughtful Messages: Send uplifting messages or notes to friends, reminding them of your appreciation and support.

Help a Neighbor: Assist a neighbor with tasks like shoveling snow, mowing their lawn, or grocery shopping.

Donate to Charity: Contribute to a charitable organization or cause that you're passionate about.

Visit the Elderly: Spend time with elderly individuals in nursing homes or assisted living facilities, offering companionship and a listening ear.

Volunteer Your Time: Volunteer at local charities, shelters, or community events to make a positive impact.

Together we can make the world a better place, one act of kindness at a time!

Source: <https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/random-acts-of-kindness-day-2024/>