

DATES TO REMEMBER

4th - BB vs Elba 5pm/6pm (H)

5th - Girls BB @ St. Francis 5pm

6th - Parent Teacher Conference 4-6

7th - Parent's Night/Senior Night

BB vs Takini girls start at 6 pm boys to follow

8th - NO Little Warriors Preschool

BB vs Takini girls start at 1:30 boys to follow

14th - Valentine's Day

18th - NO SCHOOL President's Day

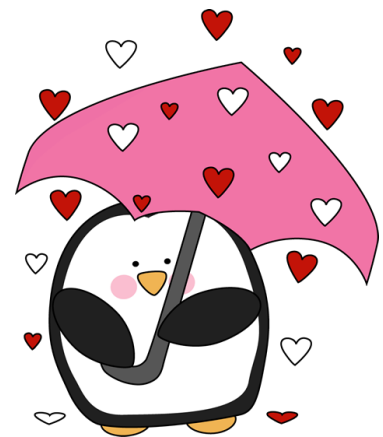
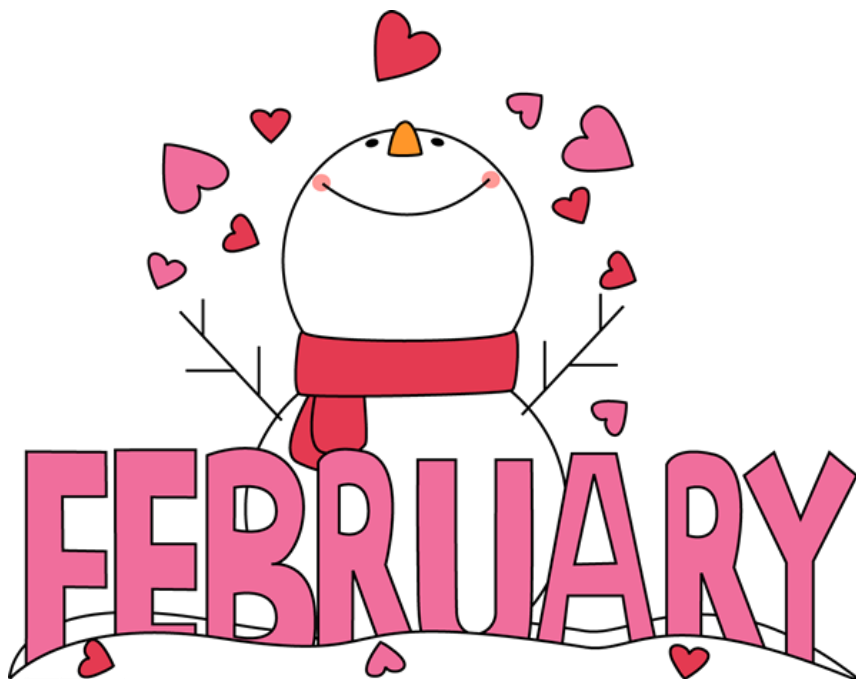
27th - Early Dismissal 1 pm



February

2019

Newsletter





Music Notes

Anpetu waste, friends and family! Our musical ensembles are diving back in this month, working on more complex elements of music, more difficult music, and – as always – practicing note and rhythm reading. We have had major success with the Warrior Pep Band and Choir at home basketball games this season, as you can see in the pictures below! Keep it up, musicians! The more performances we do, the more we will improve and the braver we will feel in front of audiences.

Elements and Literacy: Elementary Music News

This month, kindergarten has been studying fast versus slow songs and steady beat. First grade has been practicing a clapping game to teach us quarter and eighth notes, and we have a new Australian Aboriginal greeting song in two parts (ask your child about “Abiyo!”). The 2nd-3rd grade ensemble is reading sheet music and following a melody, while adding instrumental layers to our voices. We have also added “Tempo” to our vocabulary; at the beginning of each class, we listen to three different songs and write down the genre and tempo of each. Fourth grade is comparing notes on the staff between our vocal sheet music and recorder pieces (and we are making good progress on recorders too!), and 5th grade is studying folk songs and pieces in our beginning band book. The 6th grade choir is practicing rhythms, notes on staff, and sightreading with a vocal piece, and working on a song of our choice from the beginning band book. I love to see the progress we make with these myriad and sometimes trying concepts!

Moving Forward: Middle School Music News

Middle school musicians face the challenge of having only one day per week for band and one for choir. Nevertheless, some of us are helping lead the Warrior Pep Band at games, and working on a high school band song that our 9-12 students will play at NVC – Scott Watson’s *Terracotta Warriors, an epic tale of warriors marching into battle. My goal is to have the 7-12 band play this piece at the spring concert on April 29. Additionally, having completed the longest choral piece we have ever studied last fall (Waving Through a Window from 2017’s Tony Award-winning Best Musical, “Dear Evan Hansen”), the 7th and 8th grade choirs were permitted to choose a piece of music to work on. I can’t wait for you to hear their selections this spring!*

Small But Mighty: High School Music News

My high school ensembles are very small this spring, but just as dedicated to our craft as ever! I have two solo pianists, a clarinetist who dabbles in piano, a dual composer and percussionist (aka drummer), and a percussionist we are welcoming back to the program after a long hiatus. Our small band will take this show on the road to Elgin on March 19 for the NVC Band Conference. The concert is at 5:30 PM in the Elgin Public School gym, and all are welcome to attend this excellent free show!

Pidamiyaye,
Miss Knight



The mighty brass –
and Aiyana on flute, too!



The Trumpet Trio plays “Seven Nation Army” at the Niobrara-Verdigre game!



Leila and Knight take a selfie after Battle of the Bands!

Lovely anthem singers! (Alexiah is not amused...)



Another picture of the Warrior Choir (thanks, Mr. Hoffman).



Books for Santee Community School

Octavio Phillips Ag Reporter

1/22/2019

The Will James Society gave the Santee Community School Library eleven of Will James' twenty-six books. You will find them in the youth section of the School Library. The Santee FFA Chapter worked in conjunction with Bill Ihm of Ainsworth, NE and the Will James Society to be part of the book gifting program. The Will James Society Book Gifting Program mission is to provide books written and illustrated by Will James in the western genre for readers of all ages to enjoy stories of the real cowboy life. The society donates books to schools and libraries throughout the United States and Canada.

The Will James Society Mission is to promote the legacy, literature and art of the great cowboy author, Will James, through the gifting of his inspirational books to schools, public libraries, military units and hospitals throughout the world, and other interested and worthy institutions. Chandler Tuttle and Shaii Wabasha of the Santee FFA Chapter presented the books to the library between the 5th and 6th grade reading out classes.



1st pic - Chandler & Shaii standing behind the books that were given by the Will James Society.

2nd pic - Chandler putting the books on the AG class wooden horse, Molly.

3rd pic - The upper elementary students holding the books that were given by the Will James Society.

We were given eleven books about horses and kids, and they are:

Smoky, the Cowhorse

Big-Enough

The Three Mustangers

Home Ranch

Young Cowboy

In the Saddle With Uncle Bill

Scorpion: A Good Bad Horse

Flint Spears

Look-See With Uncle Bill

Donations are welcomed from individuals to help the society purchase additional books. The Will James Society is a qualified 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization. Please visit www.willjames.org for more information. For further inquiries or to have a donations of books provided to a school or public library of your choice, contact Charlie Nightengale, Director of the Will James Book Gifting Program, P.O. Box 2767, McCall, ID, 83638 or email at WilljamesSociety@yahoo.com.

Little Warriors Preschool celebrated the 100th days of school with some fun activities. We made Fruit Loop necklaces and built with 100 cups.



Some dates to remember for February.

February 6 - PT conferences 4-6

February 8 - NO PRESCHOOL

February 18 - NO SCHOOL

February 27 - Early out @ 1 pm



5th - Landon S.

23rd - Asa D.

7th - Daeonah H.

25th - Orin A.

11th - McKenzie R.

27th - Aryannah S.

15th - Azarah D.

17th - Ray M. * Misty C.

18th - Nelia D.

21st - Tierahnee T.



Happy Birthday To You

From Santee Community School

Elementary STEM Lab

The Kindergarten through third grade students are becoming quite the little engineers! We have been having some fun building all types of structures and shapes.

STRAW TOWERS: Using only straws and pipe cleaners the students built towers, some measuring as high as 2 feet!



PENGUIN SHELTERS: The students had to create a shelter to keep their penguins warm using marshmallows and toothpicks.



2D SHAPES: The students learned about sides and vertices by building 2D shapes with toothpicks and playdough.



Celebrating
the

100th day
of
School



For STEM on the 100th Day of School, the students were challenged to build the number 100 using 100 Lego pieces.





I am
100 days
smarter

