

May 2012

# Washington School Newsletter

Submitted by Melissa Bosnich, Principal

## Upcoming Dates:

- Tuesday May 1<sup>st</sup> Law Day
- Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> Jazz Band and Singing Raiders Assembly 12:30 PM
- Monday May 7<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> grade field trip to Naper Settlement
- Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> Recorder Concert at Parkside 7:00 PM
- Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social for 4<sup>th</sup> graders going into 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Parkside 5:00 PM
- Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> grade fieldtrip to Wildlife Prairie Park
- Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> grade fieldtrip to Starved Rock
- Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> all grade levels visit Peru Public Library
- Wednesday May 16<sup>th</sup> Board of Education meeting @ PS 6 PM
- Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup> Games for You incentive
- Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> Read Across America Incentive
- Tuesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> Yearbook signing Awards Ceremony PBIS store open
- Wednesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> Fun Run/Walk
- Thursday May 24<sup>th</sup> AR balloon toss Behavior Bounce
- Friday May 25<sup>th</sup> Teacher Institute No School
- Monday May 28<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day No School
- Tuesday May 29<sup>th</sup> Report Cards



## CONGRATULATIONS MRS. HYLLE

One teacher at Washington School will be retiring at the end of the 2011 – 2012 school year. In honor of our retiree, we will be having a special spirit day at Washington School. On Friday May 18<sup>th</sup>, everyone is encouraged to wear blue, the color chosen by Mrs. Hylla for her day of honor. Mrs. Hylla is currently a fourth grade teacher and has been teaching in the Peru District for 15 years. Prior to coming to Peru, she taught in Oglesby for 6 years and in LaSalle for 7.5 years for a total of 28.5 years of teaching. She has been touching the lives of many students and we will miss her! We wish her the best in her retirement and hope she can really take a trip to Hawaii! We hope she will enjoy her retirement and the extra time she will have with her grandchildren and time for all of the hobbies and activities she may not have had the time to do while teaching. Congratulations and best wishes ☺



## End of the Year A.R. Incentives

### Mrs. Bosnich and Teachers...Get Ready

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter AR INCENTIVES

Students are reading and working hard to reach 100% of their goal. The incentive for working so hard is students that reach 100% of their 4<sup>th</sup> quarter goal get to throw a WATER balloon at their TEACHER! Students are very excited about this opportunity and can't wait until May 24<sup>th</sup>, the day of the water balloon throw! Students that made their goal **ALL 4 quarters** get to throw a water balloon at the PRINCIPAL! What fun!



#### READ ACROSS WASHINGTON

Mrs. Bosnich has challenged students at Washington School to read 3,000 books. They record the book they read on a red cut out of a book and hang it across Washington School. So far they have made the goal and are striving to make it to 4,000 books. If they achieve that goal, they will also get to have lunch in the park and an milkshake! Students are well on their way and only need about 350 more books. Awesome job readers!

## Report Cards



It is hard to believe that the school year is coming to a close. It has been a fun filled and very busy year with many activities, events, outstanding class projects, and many memories that will remain with us for a life time. Report Cards will be issued on Tuesday May 29<sup>th</sup>. Regular bus schedules and routes will run. Regular start time 8:45 AM and students are dismissed after receiving their report cards. Buses will remain outside and students can go right back to the buses for the ride home. Parents may wait outside for their child since they will be dismissed immediately after getting the report card. Enjoy the summer and don't forget to encourage your child to READ!!!!

## Law Day



Students attended an assembly that was a mock trial for Law Day. The assembly was Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>. Two members of the legal community came to school and presented a mock trial promoting a greater understanding and appreciation of the law and the legal system among students. Nine students acted as jurors and many teachers volunteered for other roles in the mock trial making it very interesting and exciting for the students. This year we have selected the mock trial Humpty Dumpty v. Sherman King. It was an enjoyable assembly for all!

## Raider Rules

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Safe

Each week, homerooms with lowest number of minor behaviors have our PBIS mascots, Cami and Hunter, visit their room for the week. The mascots are a boy and girl doll dressed in camouflage to go along with our theme for the year.

### April Winning Classrooms

Ms. Miller (2x)  
Mrs. Patyk  
Mrs. Kampwerth  
Mrs. Krich (3x)  
Ms. Trigg  
Mrs. Hylla  
Mrs. Goddard  
Mr. Berg

For more district news see the district website  
[www.perued.net](http://www.perued.net)

## What's Happening in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade???

Second grade is beginning their last reading and science unit of the year entitled Water Works. They will be learning about where water comes from, the water cycle, and why it is important to conserve water. In Language Arts, we will be studying adjectives that end with -er and -est, verbs that end with -ed and -ing, and compound words. The main comprehension strategy that we are working on is synthesizing information. This is when a student merges new information with prior knowledge to form a new idea or opinion. It is like putting the pieces of a puzzle together when you are reading.

The following students have already achieved 100% of their A.R. Goal and 75% on their comprehension of tests for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter: Hallie B., Cody C., Elijah G., Jenisis G., Connor H., Tre'von H., Gabby L., Harbin, S., Ella W., Yui K., Eric L., Shea R., Camryn R., Elijah S., Madalyn F., Sami F., Kasi G., Dylan M., Jack S., Stephen S., Sabrina Z., Elia B., Alina A., Joseph., Christian J., Leigha K., Carols M., and Connor T. A big congratulations to those students! There are many other students that are close to meeting their goal for this quarter. Please continue to read with your child at home and encourage them to take AR tests on the books they read.

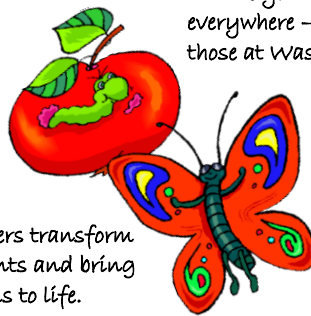
On May 11, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be traveling to Wildlife Prairie Park for their field trip!!! Then, on May 14<sup>th</sup>, the students will be walking to the Peru Public Library on to learn about the Summer Reading Program and other related events at the Library.

Congratulations to Harbin S. and Logan C. who have completed the Addition portion of Rocket Math. Both will soon be finishing the Subtraction portion. Eight more are close to the completion of the Addition part. Keep practicing those math facts at home now and during the summer!

We are reviewing the PBIS rules of Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe in the classroom and throughout the school.

### Teacher Appreciation Week May 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

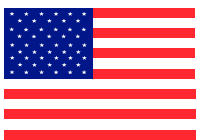
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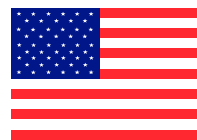
Teachers transform students and bring dreams to life.

### Lunch Accounts

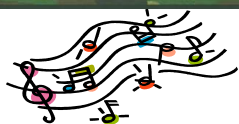
Just a reminder of the procedure regarding any remaining balances that your children may have on their lunch credit accounts at the conclusion of the school term. Any positive balances on these accounts after the last day that lunches are served will automatically transfer to your student's account for next year. If your child has a negative balance it must be paid at this time. A record of these balances will be provided in each child's report card and will also be available during registration next August. We hope that your children have enjoyed the school lunch program this year.



**Memorial Day – May 28<sup>th</sup>  
No School**



## Jr. Band & Recorder Concert



4<sup>th</sup> grade students have been busy learning how to play the recorder. Mrs. Kelsey has been working with the students for several weeks during their music class practicing their skills. Now it is time for them to show how their practice has paid off. The recorder concert will be in conjunction with the Parkside Band Concert. The concert will take place in the gymnasium at Parkside on Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. We hope to see you there. The students and Mrs. Kelsey have worked hard and will appreciate the support.