# Urbana Elementary

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## Urbana Elementary Climber Club News

Due to illness and snow days, the Climber Club's *Family & Friendship Flower Fundraiser* scheduled for Valentine's Day has been cancelled. The next event will, *hopefully*, be the annual Easter egg hunt for our students. More information will follow in the next newsletter.

## PBIS Positive News

The K-5 PBIS Tier 1 team is currently working on an Urbana Elementary PBIS Handbook for the 2022-2023 school year. The team has also

been analyzing data of office referral incidents. Teachers recently did a "reboot" of the PBIS Matrix with their students to review our PBIS expectations in the classroom.

#### Our UES K-5 PBIS Climber Code: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready!

## Upcoming Events at UES!

Monday, 2/7/22: TWO-HOUR DELAY DAY (for students only)

Thursday, 2/10/22: The 100th Day of School

Friday, 2/11/22: K-5 Classroom Valentine's Day parties

Monday, 2/14/22: Happy Valentine's Day!

Monday, 2/21/22: NO SCHOOL-Presidents Day Holiday

Tuesday, 2/22/22: Two-riffic TWOSday activities @ school

Thursday, 2/24/22: 3rd Grade Music Program @ UHS

Friday, 2/25/22: Next UES Newsletter goes home

#### TRAFFIC SAFETY PROCEDURES Parent A.M. Drop-off and Parent P.M. Pick-up Lines

- Parent A.M. drop-off and P.M. pick-up is in the **NORTH** lot only. The South lot is reserved for buses and staff parking.
- ALL traffic next to the school building is one-way only.
- If your student needs to be picked up by another individual, please make sure they have your family pick-up card placed in the front right side of the dashboard so the card is easily visible by school staff working in the car pick-up line.
- If you have forgotten your family pick-up card or have not given it to the designated person responsible for picking up your child, you MUST park your car and report to the office to sign out your child. In order to verify the identity of the person picking up a child, PLEASE remember to have your photo ID ready for the office personnel.
- We have instituted this policy for the safety of the children and to avoid mishaps that can occur without appropriate and safe release procedures.
- Transportation changes? Please call the school by 2:00 pm.

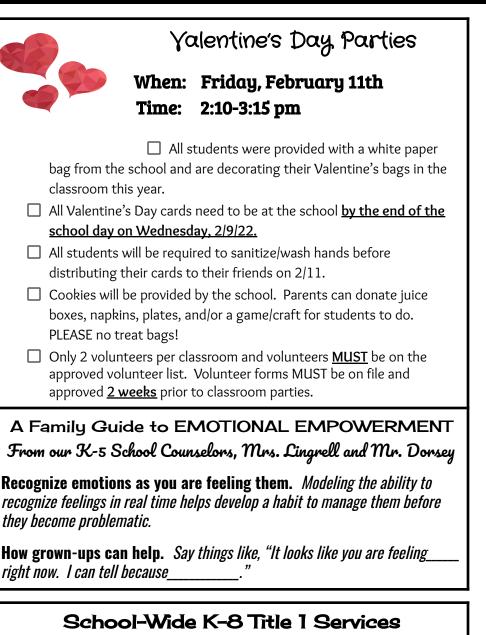
#### Newsletter # 7

Congratulations to our **JANUARY** K-5 GOOD CITIZENS! Students enjoyed a hot breakfast with guest speakers, Judges Gilbert and Reisinger. The character trait was **TRUSTWORTHINESS.** Maverick Melvin (Andreassen-K) Penelope Sherrick (Bowdle-K) Lily Waugh (Miesse-K) Charles Hall-Saunders (Oakes-K) Aubree Poe(Marsh-K) Rylan Vanhoose (Trout-K) Avery Peterson (Heim-K) Nevayah Batdorf (Glessner-1st) Alex Wright (Hiltibran-1st) Toby Marshall (Pack-1st) **Aurora Ebert** (*Pemberton-1st*) Aria Pucket (Childs-1st) Miles Chapman (Anderson-Deitrick-1st) Maddax Doberstein (Prince/Rooney-2nd) Xavier Adams (Shelpman-2nd) **Piper Lowry** (Hower-2nd) Braedy Fox (Robison-2nd) Carsyn Anderson (Jacobs-2nd) Aveah Fudge (Walters-2nd) Hilary Dixon (Roby-2nd) Avah Stephens (Petry-Brisley-ESC) Lucy Trenor (Burnside-3rd) Klaire Riley (McGinnis-Weiss-3rd) Kamden King (Zirkle-3rd) Hadlee Homer (Siegenthaler-3rd) **Grace Eickhoff** (Sullivan-3rd) Ashlyn Stokes (Hartman-3rd) Skyler Daniels (Edwards-3rd) Noah Hayes (Keep-Maloney-4th) Miles Brumbly (Keely-4th) Lily Ford (Deans-4th) Brooklyn Swain (Bline-4th) Isaac Waddell (Recker-4th) Aiden Ream (Wasson-4th) Michael Nannarone (Sherman-5th) Jenna Dewitt (Bever-5th) Ella Tobias (Pine-5th) Kinzley Register (Holeton-5th) **Dominic Grimm** (Neer-5th) McKenna Cost (Inskeep-5th) Kenny Elliott (Knight-ESC)

#### January *Students of the Month*

Lydia Martinez (K, Andreassen) Hannah Dinnell (2nd grade, Shelpman) Emma Mishler (3rd, Edwards) Dylan Dailey (5th grade, Sherman)





#### Urbana Elementary and Jr. High is a schoolwide K-8 Title 1 school. Title 1 services are supported by Federal funding and are designed to ensure that ALL children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain high-quality reading and math instruction to become successful learners. Title 1 funding is used to provide intervention support for ALL K-8 students.



Looking for some SNOW DAY ideas to do with your kids? Check out some of these websites with SNOW DAY activities:

https://mommypoppins.com/kids/snow-day-boredom-busters-40-indoor-activiti es-when-the-kids-are-stuck-at-home

https://indyschild.com/20-things-to-do-on-a-snow-day/

https://www.creativechild.com/articles/view/101-snow-day-boredom-busters

Hope you stay safe, warm, and have some fun too!

#### Our Literacy Coaches' Reading Corner

Maintaining Fluency - Within the Text



Fluent readers are able to read efficiently, quickly, and with few errors. Their reading sounds like speaking. They put words together in phrases and use an expressive tone. They also pay attention to punctuation and pause when necessary. All of this combined, helps the reader better understand what is written in the text. There are several things that can affect fluency. When a reader spends too much time solving words, their fluency is often impacted. If it is the first time seeing a text, readers may stumble over some of the words. phrases, or punctuation. **Repeated readings often help** fluency to improve. Many people think that speed is the biggest factor in reading fluency. However, it is more beneficial to slow down, read accurately, and with expression than to read for speed. Some ways to help improve fluency are:

- Remind your reader to slow down and pay attention to what's on the page.
- Take turns reading and model fluent reading for them.
- Talk to them about reading how they think the characters would sound when they're talking.
- Ask: How do you think your reading sounded?
- Let them read familiar books multiple times.

### **REMINDER:** Final Forms

If you have not yet filled out the required information on Final Forms, please do so <u>AS</u> <u>SOON AS POSSIBLE</u>. You should have received an email with a link to sign up with Final Forms. If you did not receive this information, please contact Kelli Marsh or the school office at (937) 653-1453.