

STUKEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Family Newsletter

January/February 2023

Letter from the Principal

Dates to Remember

- Jan 5th - PTO Meeting, 5:30-6:30
- Jan 13th - Assessment Day, Come at assigned time
- Jan 16th - NO SCHOOL, MLK day
- Jan 27th - Family Movie Night, 6:00 - 8:00
- Feb 2nd - PTO Meeting, 5:30-6:30
- Feb 15th - Parent Teacher Conference
- Feb 16th - 17th NO SCHOOL, In Common Release day/In Service
- Feb 20th - NO SCHOOL, President's Day
- Feb 21- Spring/Class pictures
- Feb 24th - School Dance, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Stukey School Hours
M, T, TH, F
8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Wednesday
8:00 am - 1:45 pm

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Happy New Year Stukey Families-

Believe it or not, we have completed our first semester! I hope you continue to see a high level of growth in your scholar's academic and social emotional skills in the 2022-23 school year!

In the months of January and February, we will be focusing on the scholarly habit of **SAFETY**.

We define **SAFETY** as:

- Safe hands and feet
- Safe body and actions
- Safe voice level and words

We will be **ACCESS** testing in the month of January. Educators use **ACCESS** results, along with other resources, to make decisions about students' proficiency with English in academic contexts and to facilitate their language development.

Students' scores reflect proficiency levels ranging from Level 1 (Entering) to Level 6 (Reaching).

Test scores can be used:

- For accountability purposes
- As benchmarks against which educators can measure future performance
- As a measure to make reclassification decisions about whether a student can exit English language support services
- To support decisions about placing students into appropriate classes or groups for instruction, instructional planning
- To show the progress students have made

We will also be testing on our Assessment Day on January 13th in foundational reading skills using our **PALS** assessment. Scholars will also be assessed with **MAPS** in Reading and Math. It's that time of year to see the growth our scholars are making!

In the month of February, we look forward to sharing this growth with you at Parent Teacher conferences on February 15th. Your classroom teachers will be sending out a Sign Up Genius.

There are many wonderful happenings going on in our after school activities! We have many clubs like Art Club, Battle of the Books, Student Ambassadors, Choir and Jump Rope Club. We are always looking for volunteers for our Beekeepers Volunteer Program where you can spend the day at Stukey or just a chunk of time.

As always, thank you for all of your support. Please feel free to reach out at any time for any questions, concerns or compliments.

In partnership,
Deborah Voelker
Principal

Planning for 2023-2024

Please let the school know if you are planning on returning to Stukey for the 2023-2024 school year. A **pink flyer will be sent home in February and is due back March 6th.**

By returning this flyer it will help us to determine class sizes for next year and also place your child on a class list.

Students who have moved or whose addresses are not in the Stukey boundaries for next year will need to contact the office.

If your address has changed you will need to fill out a change of address form and bring in one form of proof of address in order to be kept on a class list for next year.

Please call the office if you have any questions, 720-972-5420.

Stukey Yearbook

Orders are being taken for the 2022-2023 Stukey yearbook. The price for the yearbook is \$14.00. Forms are available in front of the office.

REGISTRATION FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

If you reside in-district you can enroll at your boundary school at any time by using our online enrollment form. Go to adams12.org and click on enrollment (top right hand corner in red).

Please have the following documents ready to complete your enrollment process:

1. Parent/Guardian Photo ID
2. Documentation of Child's Date of Birth
3. Proof of Residence (lease agreement, mortgage statement or current utility bill)
4. Immunization Records
5. Previous School information.
6. Students IEP



"Every Scholar, Every Day"

Classroom Corner

Kindergarten:

Hoping you had a warm and enjoyable winter break! We are ready to jump into the second part of our school year! Reaching the halfway point in kindergarten allows us an opportunity to reflect on how much growth has happened since the beginning of the year! We are excited about the progress kindergarteners have made in their letter names and sounds, solving math problems using math vocabulary, writing a variety of genres with a capital, finger spaces, and punctuation, as well as becoming more independent in the classroom. We are excited to continue our journey in kindergarten as our January assessment day will be used to guide our instruction and provide our scholars with learning opportunities that will continue their growth. Thank you for all of your support at home as you read each night, complete monthly projects, return reading folders after your child reads their book, and review papers before returning Friday folders. We look forward to the learning and growth in kindergarten as we dive into the 2023 year!

1st Grade:

Happy New Year and Welcome back to the second half of our First Grade year. As we roll into 2022 we will be working very hard in all of our content areas. Math is an exciting time where we are learning Place Value and beginning to combine and take apart 2 digit numbers. Writing will be dedicated to finishing up our opinion writing piece genre. Then, we will head into our non-fiction report writing on a mammal of our choice. In our new literacy unit students will read and compare selections about advanced technology, such as computers and robots, to understand how technology makes a difference in our lives. Your scholars are making major growth in their foundational skills. In science we are focused on learning the properties of different solids and liquids. Thank you for all your hard work during this fabulous 2022/2023 First Grade School Year!!

2nd Grade:

Hi Families! We are gearing up for a great start to the new year! We have our Stock Show field trip coming up and we are really looking forward to our informational research unit in Writing. We are continuing to use our addition and subtraction strategies to work with larger numbers! We can't wait to push our skills to the next level this semester! Thanks for all the continued support families!

3rd Grade:

January- In Math, we will be starting Unit 5 "Fractions and Multiplication Strategies". In Reading, we will begin an informational unit, Unit 5, "Advancements in Technology". In Writing, we will be doing research on a state and writing about it. We will continue to learn about the properties of matter in our Science unit before moving to our 3rd Social Studies Unit, "Investigating Geographic Problems".

February- In math, we will begin Unit 6 "More Operations and Strategies". In Reading, we will switch back to a literary unit, Unit 6, "Making Decisions". In Writing, we will work on a narrative piece. We will continue our work on our Social Studies Unit "Investigating Geographic Problems" through the end of February.

4th grade:

As we return from Winter Break, we are looking forward to all the new learning we will have in the year 2023. We will begin with a Social Studies focus on the history of Colorado with Spanish and American explorers, fur trappers and traders, and events leading to settlement. In Reading, we will start with a nonfiction unit where we will continue to build our reading comprehension skills and add new ones like text structure. In Writing, students will begin writing with research to create an informational essay and afterward an opinion essay. Finally, in Math, we will be revisiting fractions while adding new skills like measurement and mixed numbers

5th Grade:

Math: Our scholars will be finishing our fraction unit and will be comparing and ordering decimals.

Reading: In Units 5 & 6 we will be learning about what technology brings to people's lives and what compels us to survive.

Science: The unit Earth's Systems, will let our scholars dive into the interactions of Earth's spheres.

Social Studies: We will study European explorers in the New World and how they impacted the early colony settlements.

Writing: We will write opinion pieces and move into research projects, in which scholars will relate their findings to information from texts in a report.