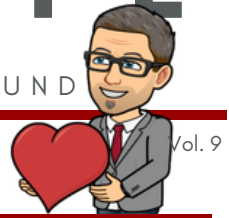




THE HAWKEYE

FROM PROUD PRAIRIE VIEW PRINCIPAL NASLUND

Groundhog Edition



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Did he see his shadow?

Apparently while the Groundhog was seeing his shadow, we were busy seeing the magic in our own kids. Anyone who witnessed Prairie View Drama's production of "Snow White" knows what I'm talking about. It was beautiful. We will be distributing professionally filmed copies, so you might still catch a glimpse. [HERE's](#) some pics from the show.

Daily Schedule

Typical School Hours

- M, T, TH, F: 9:00a - 3:20p
 - Breakfast: 8:45a
- Wednesday: 9:40a - 3:20p
 - Breakfast: 9:25a



Save the Dates

- February 3: Early Release (12:45pm)
- February 6: 7:00pm Conference Scheduling Opens [HERE](#)
 - Directions? [HERE](#)
- February 8: Generation Alive Kickoff Assembly (2:15pm)
- February 13: PTO meeting, 6pm in Portable 4.
- February 14: Valentines Day
- February 15: Century Celebrations (100 Days of School)
- February 15: Late Start (9:40am) & Early Release (12:45pm)
- February 15 - 17: Conferences (2/16 & 2/16 non-student days)
- February 20: No School! President's Day
- February 27: Read Across America Week Begins
- February 27- March 24: [Silverwood Reading](#)
- February 28: 5 - 7pm McTeacher Night, Indian Trail McDonalds

Click [HERE](#) for the 2022-23 District Academic Calendar.
Click [HERE](#) for the 2023-24 District Academic Calendar.



HAWKS TALK!

USING CONVERSATION TO DEVELOP ORAL LANGUAGE & COMPREHENSION

READ

Children who engaged in daily Dialogic Reading activities with parents for 15 minutes increased their vocabulary by as much as eight months in just four weeks! (Whitehurst & Lonigan, 2001)

ENGAGE

Engage kids in a verbal conversation around what they have just read.
*Ask them what it was mostly about?
*What happened after that? the end?
*Can they make a connection to a personal experience?

REPEAT

Repeat what your child says embedding this in your response. Only repeat the correct part of their response.

EXPAND

As you repeat, say a little more than the child said.
Add a new word or phrase.
(Do process again !)

EXAMPLES:
• What was your favorite part?
• What do you think ___ means?
• Why do you think ___?
(Adapted from Burkins & Yates, 2021)

We see YOU, parents!

February certainly ramps up with our Generation Alive Kickoff Assembly, American Heart Month, Black History Month, Groundhog's Day, Valentine's Day, Century Celebrations, [Parent-Teacher Conferences](#), President's Day, and Read Across America, and PTO McTeacher Night to name a few. A common denominator for ALL of these things and ALL we do is reading instruction. Moreover, Prairie View Elementary has a commitment to love, know, and develop our students. Seeing our students in that capacity requires that we continue to grow as lifelong learners and educators--increasing the collective efficacy of our staff.

Living into that commitment, the large majority of our staff have voluntarily participated in a 10 week book study on [Shifting the Balance](#). By pinpointing gaps and overlaps--as well as common misunderstandings and missed opportunities between the competing lines of thought--we have been finding clearer direction and purpose for integrating science and balance into daily instruction, while keeping meaningful experiences with text a priority. The text was provided by our amazing PTO. We are growing and watching our emerging readers glowing.

One (of the many we are developing) tangible resource we created was "[Hawks Talk](#)" (see left) a bookmark that supports anyone who's reading with a child. It provides a guide for Dialogic Reading. Studies have shown that children who engaged in daily Dialogic Reading activities with parents for 15 minutes increased their vocabulary by as much as eight months in just four weeks (Whitehurst & Lonigan, 2001).

Back to the groundhog. Punxsutawney Phil is wrong more often than he is right. He's cute, it's a fun tradition, and he's been the focus of some classic movies, but we will stick to the science--especially with our reading. We SEE you, Phil!

I see you, Hawks!



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"Courage starts with showing up and letting ourselves be seen." [Brené Brown]



PTO Partnerships

Our **next General PTO meeting of the 2022-23 school Year** starts at 6pm on **February 13, 2022** (in Portable 4). All PV parents and guardians are invited to attend. YOU have a vote on how fundraising dollars are spent and how we can support OUR school. Your voice matters!

- Monday, February 13: **PTO meeting**, 6pm in Portable 4.
- Monday, February 27: **Read Across America Week** starts. There will be fun dress up days, reading challenges, and opportunities to win prizes when students are 'caught' reading.
- Tuesday, February 28: 5 - 7pm McTeacher Night, Indian Trail McDonalds
- Name the Mascot contest:** PTO will be coordinating with the teachers for a friendly competition between classrooms to pick a name for our Hawk mascot. More details to come!
- Carnival:** If you're interested in being part of the planning, or want to participate with the Carnival in any capacity, please email PTO at pvhawkpto@gmail.com.

Our awesome PTO is always looking for more partners and volunteers. ALL District volunteers are screened centrally through the District Office starting with the simple 2-step process: start [HERE](#) then let PTO know you are interested, too.

Follow our PV PTO on Facebook [HERE](#) for all the latest!

Specialist Rotations

Our specialists continue their A, B, C rotation this year to ensure all Hawks get great access to PE, Music, and Library.

Check out February's at-a-glance [HERE](#) or each specialist:

- [PE Schedule](#) (follow Mr. Wiser's PE on Instagram @pvhawkspe)
- [Music Schedule](#) (Mrs. Martin will share throughout the year)
- [Library Schedule](#) (follow Mrs. Chaffins on Instagram @pvhawkslibrary)



Heart Health Room

Did you know that 1 in 7 youth (ages 12-19) have high or elevated blood pressure? ([CDC](#)) February is Heart Health month and now is a great time to talk with your kids about why it's important to maintain good heart health. Remind kids that the heart is an amazing muscle and we need to keep it functioning well with all the tubes (arteries) nice and clear. To keep the heart healthy we can make better food choices that would be lower in salt, sugar, and unhealthy fats, get plenty of exercise, and adequate sleep. As parents we can not only educate our kids, but we can model healthy habits as well. I recently learned that you can check out a blood pressure monitoring kit from our local library ([SCLD - Library of things](#)) if your family is curious about blood pressure.

Let's talk about AED's and Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA). Did you know that each of our buildings in Mead School District has at least one Automated External Defibrillator (AED)? As nurses we do annual staff training with AED's and each building has a response team for potential cardiac events. Remember that SCA can happen to anyone and it's important to teach kids what to do in the event of an emergency. If you or your family are interested in Friends and Family CPR classes you can reach out to the local fire department. Our very own [Fire District 9 offers classes!](#)



“ PV Hawks are known, loved, and developed. PV Hawks are future ready! ”

THE MEAD EDUCATION FOUNDATION PRESENTS THE 2023

Daddy Daughter Damsel Dance

Saturday, February 18th, 2023
Photos begin at 5:30 - Dance: 6pm - 8:30pm
Highland Middle School

Registration cost*: \$50 per duo/\$10 each add'l person
Advanced registration recommended at www.meadeducationfoundation.org

Registration includes: 1 5x7 photo by Dorian, music and dancing, light snacks and cupcakes!

Special thanks to Dorian Studios, Mead School District, Highland Middle School, DJ Greg McGuire and the Gonzaga Setons.



*Registration fee is considered a charitable donation and tax deductible!



HAWKS ARE HIRING!

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JOIN OUR TEAM :

- From our developmental learning center, reading, & resource to the lunchroom & recess!
- Supportive staff & community!
- Competitive pay, benefits, and retirement
- Know, love, and develop ALL of our kids!

SCAN ME



Then search
"Prairie View"



Apply @ Mead354.org/jobs

WE SEE YOU,

HAWKS!

