



DESERT HAPPENINGS

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February 13	February 17	February 28	March 12	March 12
Bell Festival	President's Day- No School	Walk-a-thon	Minimum Day/TCP	Literacy Family Night

11th Annual Walk-a-Thon Kick Off-Collect Your Pledges!!!

It is time once again for our annual all school Walk-a-thon. This is a very active event and one of our largest fundraiser of the year. Students are to receive pledges from family, friends, neighbors, and/or parent co-workers. Pledges may consist of a one time donation amount or per lap. Please keep in mind that students will do an average of 20-30 laps!

On Friday, February 28, the school parking lot will be blocked off and turned into our

walking/running course. Incentives will be given to students for blocks of laps completed such as healthy snacks and refreshments to keep them motivated.

An envelope with information and a collection sheet is being sent home. If your child brings in a pledge of \$50 or more they will receive this year's Walk-a-Thon t-shirt, which can be worn on Fridays for the rest of the year! Other prizes include a pizza party for the top earning class, gift cards

for those who walk/run the most laps, and a gift card for the student who brings in the most money. The money raised from this year's Walk-a-thon will go towards classroom funds & teacher wish lists.

We are also excited to continue offering an online option to collect donations. Each student has a website that can be shared by email or social media. Emails will be sent to you or you can find your students name by going to: www.99pledges.com/fund/DAAWalkathon2020.

Students Celebrate the 100th Day of school

On Monday, students just passed the 100th day of school. For K/ kindergarten & first grade this is a major holiday! The whole day is centered on the number 100 from morning to afternoon. First, students had to bring a collection of 100 things in a gallon size plastic bag. Students had show 'n' tell as they shared what they brought and why. Several students brought different kinds of

candy as well as pencils, wiggly eyes, & pennies. Be sure to check these out on the hall bulletin board down by their class. In addition, the students colored & made crowns, a 100th day snack with 100 food items, partook in a scavenger hunt, & wrote what they wished a 100 of. They ended the day with cupcakes and lots of good wishes for the rest of the year.



Hot Lunch:	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Feb 10-13	Pizza	Burritos	Mac 'n' Cheese	Cheese Enchiladas

February Fun Facts

- February is the only month to have a length of fewer than 30 days! Though it's usually 28 days, February is 29 days long in leap years such as 2020.
- January and February were the last two months to be added to the Roman calendar originally, winter was considered a month-less period.
- February 12 is Abraham Lincoln's Birthday. The 16th president of the United States was born in one-room, 16x18-foot, log cabin with a dirt floor.
- February 14 is always Valentine's Day. Heads up, love-birds! This day the holiday is celebrated with love, flowers, and chocolate.
- February 15 is Susan B. Anthony Birthday.
- February 15 is also the National Flag of Canada Day!

Bible Text of the Week

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

Ephesians 4:2 NIV

CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT:

Pirates on a Math, Typing, Music, and Science journey

The Scarlet Rose Pirates are on sailing through the New Year learning so much in math, typing, music, and our class favorite—science. In math, they are learning all about repeated addition, single digit multiplication, and even traversing the waters of double digit multiplication. They are embarking on the exciting voyage in typing class as well. They are learning all about home keys, proper finger placement, and where all the different letters are. It has been so much fun seeing all those excited faces light up when they get to work on their typing. In Rhythm and music, they are working with Mrs. Karp on a Reader's Theatre piece about Jane Addams. They even imagined them-

selves as a kid, who Jane Addams helped out and wrote a letter to her thanking her. Check these out on the bulletin board outside our classroom. In science, we are talking about life cycles of animals and plants. We have watched a movie about the life cycle of the dung beetle, did a couple activities about the life cycle of a plant, and so much more. As we continue on through this next month, we are excited to visit McCallum, and even enjoy having a blast for Valentine's Day.

- Mrs. Rivas

