

## Prairie Central CUSD #8

Westview Elementary School 600 S. First Street Fairbury, IL 61739 815-692-2623

## February 2013

Dear Westview Families & Friends,

Our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Pint Size Hero's Blood Drive was a great success. We collected 119 units of blood.

It is difficult to thank each individual who was involved because everyone is important to our success, but a special thank you goes to our 4<sup>th</sup> grade families for donating food to the canteen and to our volunteers for their time. Thank you also to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and to all of the Westview students for their dedication to this cause.

DATE	ACTIVITY
Thurs. Feb. 7	PTO Meeting 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Thurs. Feb. 7	Market Day Orders Due
Tues. Feb. 12	Market Day Pick-up 4:30-5:15 p.m.
Mon. Feb. 18	No School-President's Day
Thurs. Feb. 22	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Photography Show in the Learning Center 10:00-2:00 p.m.
Fri. Feb 28	Good Behavior Reward-Board Games
March 5 - 16	ISAT Testing for 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> graders – Please make sure your student is in school each day during this time. March 5 – 9 is especially important since most of the testing is completed in the first week.
March 11-15	Book Fair in Westview Library

Brian Quam, Principal



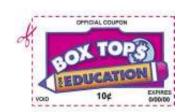
Reminder – Students are to remain home until they have been symptom free for 24 hours – from the last episode of vomiting, diarrhea, or fever.

This means if your child vomits at 12:00 on Tuesday and that is the last time he or she vomits, your child should NOT return to school until 12:00 on Wednesday.

If your child vomits at home at 7:00 PM, he or she should NOT come to school the next day. This policy helps to control the spread of illness at school.

Thank you to everyone for collecting Box Tops!

Think *outside* the box (but not too far outside)! Just think far enough outside to cut out your Box Tops for Education and turn them in. The last turn-in day for this school year will be Friday, February 22. Any box tops turned in following that day will earn money for Westview for next school year. Thanks so much for your support.



## Preschool Screening

March 6 & 7 Westview Elementary 815-692-2623

Please call for an appointment after February 18th. Screenings are FREE and open to any child in Livingston County from birth to age 6 years. Other screening dates are available in other school districts in the area. Help us spread this information by telling neighbors and friends who may not receive this notice.



Children who attend the screening will be considered for the Westview Preschool for All Program. Parents will be contacted about preschool in April.

# Reminder

Please remember when dropping your child off in the morning or picking them up, it is illegal to be on your cell phone in a school zone. We just want to make our students safety a number one priority.



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

#### Parents/students,

Thank you for your fund raising efforts for heart research and patients' medical needs. Heart complications are the leading cause of death in the United States. The American Heart Association helps schools raise money and even has a direct connection to my own children, so it is a charity I feel good supporting. Complications following heart surgery which led to the death of my son two weeks later has been highly improved and corrected by heart research. Only two years later, a successful heart surgery of another son has allowed him to be a well-recruited college track and field athlete. Jump Rope for Heart collection envelopes are due **Friday, Feb. 1.** Please call if additional time is needed for a pledge.

Also, collection WEB sites may be set up for each student. It takes about 5 minutes to set up the web site and collect from the internet.

(Instructions are on the collection envelope.)

Just for clarification, there will not a be a one-day jump-a-thon for collectors, but rather the JRFH activities are conducted for all students during each PE class.

The top fund raiser in each class will be honorary PE teacher for their class in addition to the Heart Association prizes.

Money envelopes may be turned in directly to me during PE, or to your classroom teacher or the office, who will deliver it to my mailbox when I am at another building. Thank you,

Mr. Sieving



# Congratulations to the following students who have reached 50% of their goal for Accelerated Reader this month!

### 1st Grade

Taelyn Bach **Emma Bachtold Jaycey Brown Carley Chambers** Claire Dunahee Gracie Edelman Grace Lemenager **Donovan Lewis Justin Nimbler Matthew Paternoster Danielle Pitchford** Mitchel Schultz **Gracie Steidinger** Jared Steidinger **Jaydon Steidinger** Karmyn Steidinger

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Drew Fehr
Drew Haberkorn
Hailey Hammond
Emma Hansen
Carla Meiss
Twyla Meiss
Teegan Quinn
Sibelle Schweizer
Braydon Sisco
Mariya Sisco

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Isaiah Adams
Madisyn Gadberry
William Moore
Seth Rigsby
Angel Salinas
Ty Wellborn
Ayden Ziller

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Nicholas Aberle **Tristan Bahler Kaitlin Dean** Kira Edelman **Brayden Gant** Kaden King Ashlyn Kratochvil **Cody Lane** Jadyn Lewallen Konnor McDonald **Danielle Robert Christian Taylor** Cameron Vinyard **Tess Ward Lyndon Whitfill** Vivian Zhao



Reading Tip: Talk with your child about the books he/she reads.

- Ask your child to predict what might happen next in the story. Be sure to ask your child to give a reason for their prediction.
- Ask your child why a character might have taken a specific action. Ask for the reason behind the answer.
- Ask your child to compare a book to another familiar book. How are they alike? How are they different?
- Ask what part of the story your child likes best and why.