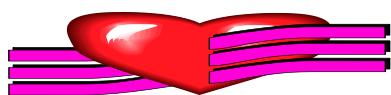


# Nelson Family Newsletter



## Valentines Day



Michael Mitchener, Principal      Mon., Feb. 11, 2019      February News

**Academic Achievement Priority #1**



## Upcoming Events



**Feb. 11-15**---Parent Teacher Conference Week  
**Wed. Feb. 13**---2:45 p.m. Class Valentine Parties  
**Feb. 14-15**---Conference Release Days / No School  
**Mon. Feb. 18**---Presidents' Day / Non Contract Day  
**Wed. Feb. 20**---Nelson C.A.R.E. / S.I.T. Mtgs.  
**Thurs. Feb. 21**---District Guiding Coalition Mtgs.,  
**Sat. March 2**---10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. U.S.D. 261 Job Fair at the T.L.C.  
**Wed. March 6**---3:00 p.m. Mr. Brad Johnson Assembly in the Gym  
**Thur. March 7**---Nelson "Wax Museum"



**Conferences This Week**-Just a reminder Parents, Conferences are this week. We look forward to this great time of communication about our greatest asset, "The Kids." We desire to have **100% show up for these Conferences**. These Conferences will again be held in the gym for your convenience. See you then.



**Scholastic Book Fair**- Parents, our Scholastic Book Fair is here this week during Parent / Teacher Conferences. **The Book Fair is now open until this Wednesday, Feb. 13.** It will be located in the library. The times each day are **4:00-8:30 p.m. on this Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 11 & 12.** We will have a Bring a Family Member or Friend Night to make crafts on **this Monday, Feb. 11 from 5 to 7 p.m.** On this Tuesday, Feb. 12 we will have a Hot Dog Feed from 5 to 7 p.m.. You can get a grilled hot dog, bag of chips, 2 cookies, and a drink for \$2.00. We will have a contest to see if we can buy books to give to students each year. If we raise \$100.00 then Mr. Mitchener will read on top of the school when it warms up and everyone else can go outside and read too (on the Ground). Scholastic will then match the amount and give to three national literacy groups. Plus, you can try for a winning pencil or lollipop for 25 cents and the money will help us get to the \$100.! The grade level that brings the highest amount of donation money will win a free library class. **Come on out and Support our Book Fair and the many Student Activities during the year while having fun Reading.**



**Valentine Parties**



As a reminder, our Valentine Parties are on this **Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 2:45 p.m.** Room Parents, please visit with your Classroom Teacher to make sure that the plans for these parties are taken care of.



**No School**-As a reminder, there are several days in February that school will not be in session for students. Please note that there will be no school on this **Thursday, Feb. 14 or Friday, Feb. 15** due to Conference Staff Release Days. As well, school will be out on **Monday, Feb. 18 for Presidents' Day.** Enjoy this time with your family.

**Literacy First (February) Monthly Tips**-Word Study and Oral Language are a big part of your child's day. The purpose of word study is to address phonics skills, spelling patterns and vocabulary growth. Oral Language and Word Study are crucial skills that begin in Pre-K and continue throughout your child's education.

Some of the ways your child practices word study in the various grades include: word sorts, keeping a word study notebook, looking at language and its history, doing word hunts, webs or ladders, illustrating words, writing ABC books or homophone books, practicing with dictionaries and thesauruses, doing activity cards and playing games based from our L.F. skills packets.

If you have any questions about Literacy First please feel free to contact your child's teacher, myself or check out the official website: [www.literacyfirst.com](http://www.literacyfirst.com)

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