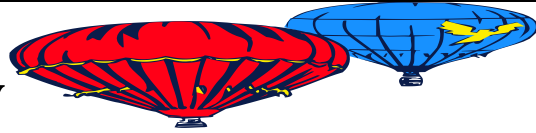
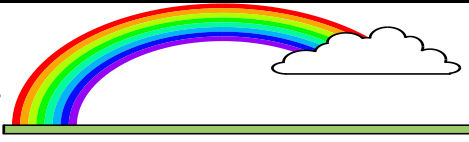


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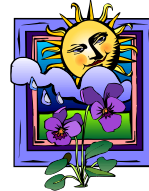
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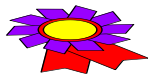
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April News



Upcoming Events

- Thurs. April 5**---“Star Parties” for the 3rd Nine Weeks
Thurs. April 5---6:30 p.m. General P.T.A. Mtg. in the Media Center
Fri. April 6---2:00 p.m. Assessment “Kick Off” Assembly Grades 3-4-5
Sat. April 7---Kim Hall 5K Benefit Run
Tues. April 10---Girl Scout Reps in @ Lunch Time
Mon. April 16---4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Moms’ Tea for Two
Fri. April 20---Nelson Movie Night
Wed. April 25---Administrative Assistants / Secretary Day
Wed. April 25---Nelson P.B.I.S. Mtg. in the p.m.
Thurs. April 26---7:00 p.m. Second Grade Music Program
Fri. April 27---District In-Service Day / No School
Fri. April 27---7:00 p.m. 5th Grade Lock In
Mon. April 30---Assessment “Effort Buck Store”
Tues. May 1---7:00 p.m. District 5th Grade Orchestra Program at CHS
Wed. May 2---1:30 p.m. Kindergarten Round Up
Wed. May 2---5:30 p.m. Nelson Site Council Mtg. in the Media Center
Fri. May 4---Nelson Field Day
May 7-11---Teacher Appreciation Week
Tues. May 8---7:00 p.m. District 5th Grade Band Concert at Nelson
Thurs. May 17---Last Day of School / School out Early
Fri. May 18---Teacher Work Day



Nelson “Star Parties” Tomorrow

■We will be having the third 9 weeks **Nelson “Star Parties” tomorrow, Thursday, April 5, 2018.** This is a special recognition time for students exhibiting great “Nelson PRIDE-Preparation, Respect, Integrity, Discipline, and Excellence” in the classroom and throughout the building. Way to go Nelson “Stars!”



P.T.A. General Mtg.

THURSDAY

■We will be having a General P.T.A. Mtg. **this Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Media Center for the purpose of “Election of Officers” for the 2018-2019 school year. Come on out and be a part of this important team!!



Assessment "Pep Assembly" Friday.

Grades 3-4-5, will be participating in an Assessment "Pep Assembly" **this Friday, April 6, at 2:00 p.m.** in the gym. We plan to have some fun while we help students relax and do their "BEST" on the upcoming tests.

Assessments Kick Off



State Assessments have now begun with fifth grade already taking Science. As always, we want students to do their very best as these tests are important. During the coming testing days, please make sure that students have plenty of sleep the nights before testing and a well-balanced breakfast on the days of testing. Your help in these important matters is greatly needed and appreciated. We look forward to another great year of testing with students giving it their very best. The following is a list of remaining assessment days and times:

April 9 & 10---5th Grade Reading April 16 & 17---5th Grade Math
April 11 & 12---3rd & 4th Grade Reading April 18 & 19---3rd & 4th Grade Math



Kim Hall Benefit GEM5K

We want everyone to come out and support the **Kim Hall GEM5K Benefit Event** this **Saturday, April 7 at Colt Stadium in Haysville.** Registration and sign in begin at 8:00 a.m.. Opening Ceremony is at 9:00 a.m.. The race begins at 9:30 a.m.. The registration fee will be \$25 if you are not already registered. Together, we can help make a difference!!



"Moms' Tea for Two"-P.T.A. is trying something new this year by having an after school "Moms' Tea for Two." This is in place of the usual "Moms 'n Muffins" in the morning. The idea of this is to catch those who can't make it in during the usual morning time. It is on **Monday, April 16, from 4:00-5:00 p.m.** in the Cafeteria. This is for moms or "Mom Figures" and their child / children. Come on out and enjoy this time of visiting about the many great things going on at Nelson.

Spring Attire / Clothing-Parents, please help your child watch the weather and dress appropriately. Students will go outside for recess each day, weather permitting. Please do not let students wear shorts until the weather is consistently warm/hot outside. Short shorts and crop tops/spaghetti straps are also discouraged. It is essential to maintain a learning environment these last few weeks of school.



No School-Parents, school will **not be in session on Friday, April 27, 2018 for Teacher In-Service.** This is different from the original district calendar and we once again wanted to remind you about this change. Enjoy this special time with your family.



Kindergarten Round Up for 2018-19-

We are currently searching for future Kindergarten students who will be five years old on or before August 31, 2018. **Kindergarten Round Up is scheduled at Nelson on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.** This will be back in the Cafeteria. We are developing a mailing list of those parents with Kindergarten students for next year. Nelson Parents, if you know of a child / children who will be in Kindergarten; please remind their parents to be at this important meeting.





Field Day



Field Day will be on **Friday, May 4th**. Your student will have a free Field Day shirt waiting for them at school to change into the day of Field Day. Please make sure your student wears appropriate closed toe shoes. Also, please remember to apply and pack sunscreen for them as well. If you would like to volunteer, please email Mrs. Duling at mduling@usd261.com. The volunteer time would be from 8:15-1:00.



Pennies For Patients

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\$1,125.27 for this very worthy cause!!

We want to say a BIG THANKS to everyone make this year's "Pennies for Patients" drive so Thanks to your efforts Nelson School brought in



Literacy First News

Kansas College and Career Ready Standards (CCRS) are high-quality academic expectations that were created by experts and teachers. These research and evidence based standards were developed to ensure students are prepared to enter a world (after high school) in which colleges and businesses are demanding more and students can be successful. The CCRS helps develop and build your child's critical-thinking, problem-solving and analytical skills in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics.

Students in third, fourth, and fifth grades have recently started taking the state assessments here at Nelson. The students have to do more than find the answers and complete basic tasks. They will be using reasoning skills, working through more complex problems, and even doing research on a variety of fiction and nonfiction texts.

Sample of the old state assessment reading question:
What is this passage mainly about? (gives A,B,C,D choices)

Sample of the new reading question:
The narrator of the story helps the reader understand the grandfather by (gives A,B,C,D choices)

Pre-school through second grade teachers are hard at work creating rigorous lessons that will help their students develop skills in reading, writing, speaking & listening and math. Students are also applying these skills to other areas such as science and social studies. The earlier the core concepts are taught in these grades, the more time it gives teachers to implement them, and students to master them.

If you have any questions about College and Career Ready Standards, please contact your child's teacher, myself or check out these websites: <http://bit.ly/1docknr> and www.ksde.org
Teresa Miller, Learning Facilitator

