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March 2018

Setting and Achieving Goals

This month's Social Emotional Learning (SEL) focus is Setting and Achieving Goals. While it is easy for many of us to set goals achieving goals and making goal setting a habit is not as easy. Ashley Cullins writes in one of my favorite SEL websites Biglifejournal.com that there are four steps to help students set effective goals.

1. Let them choose their big goal.
 - a. Ask questions like What's something you wish you could achieve? What would you do if you knew you couldn't fail?
2. Discuss the purpose of their goal.
 - a. Ask questions like: What do you think is the greatest benefit to you doing well in this class? How can that help others?
3. Break the big goal into smaller steps.
 - a. Use a "goal ladder" to break down their big goal. At the top of the ladder, write down the big goal. Then work your way through the steps it would take to achieve it.
4. Brainstorm potential obstacles.
 - a. Encourage them to plan for potential obstacles. Talk about bad habits or negative thoughts, including a desire to give up. Ask: "if you feel like giving up, what will you do instead?"

At the end of the article, Cullins reminds that if we have children write down their goal, they are 42% more likely to achieve them. Helping our children create and write down their goals will help them to engrain this important habit now. According to an article from the Harvard Initiative for Learning and Teaching, when students set goals, they are

more motivated and have higher achievement. It can also lead to greater persistence, creativity and risk-taking in achieving their goals.



March

Calendar & Upcoming Events

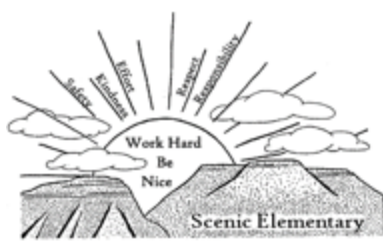
- March 2 - Scenic Family Movie Night, Coco 6:00
- March 5 - School of Choice Window Opens 10:00 AM
- March 7 - 2nd Grade Movie Avalon WHBN Celebration
- March 8 - 4th & 5th Grade Glacier Ice WHBN Celebration
- March 9 - No School/Kindergarten Round-Up
- March 12 - March 16 Spring Break/No School
- March 20- Chipotle Fundraiser Night
- March 22 - Music Program 3rd Grade 6:00
5th Grade 6:45 PM
- March 23 - 3rd Grade Spin City WHBN Celebration
- March 29 - Music Program 1st Grade 6:00
2nd Grade 6:45 PM
- March 30 - Last day for School of Choice

Kindergarten Wednesdays

- March 7 - PM
- March 21 - AM
- March 28 -PM

A or B Week?

- March. 5 A Week
- March. 18 B Week
- March. 26: A Week



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Read-a-Thon

Second Annual Scenic Read-a-Thon!

The Read-a-Thon will take place on March 5th and 6th during students' regularly scheduled library time. We will invite community members to share their love of reading by reading to students.

Thank you to everyone who collected donations for this year's Read-a-Thon.

Students who raised \$30 will receive a book to keep.

The following students were our top fundraisers:

1. Kyle Fletcher 3C
2. Lily Mabry 2H
3. Bryce Campbell 3R
4. Tyler Johnson 3R
5. Brielle Sorensen 5W
Embree Sorensen 2H
6. Ali Lauck 4W

These students will get their meal paid for by the PTO at Chipotle night, March 20th. Total funds raised were \$6,262.00. Nice work!

Jump Rope for the Heart

Thanks to all those students who participated in Jump Rope for Heart; \$7,152 was raised. Nice work!

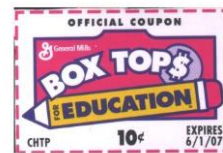
Spring Music Programs

Our spring music programs will be March 22nd for 3rd Grade (6:00 PM) and 5th Grade (6:45 PM) and March 29th for 1st Grade (6:00 PM) and 2nd Grade (6:45 PM). Please contact the school office if you need more information.

CMAS Testing

Beginning Tuesday, March 20th we will start our mandated state tests for grades 3 - 5. The PTO has graciously offered to provide non-

perishable snacks for students who cannot afford a snack. If you could send a cheese stick or yogurt with your child that would be great. Any extra protein you can give your child in the morning will help their brains function at an optimal level.



Box Tops

Thank you to everyone who sent in Box Tops for our Box Tops competition and fundraiser.

We collected \$440 worth of Box Tops!!!

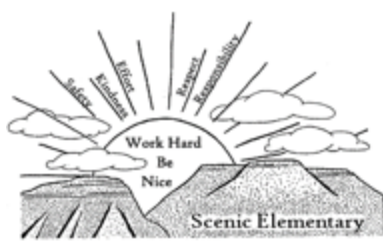
Congratulations to kindergarten for winning the pizza party!

School of Choice

The School of Choice window opens at 10 AM on Monday, March 5th. If your child is currently enrolled at Scenic under SOC, you do NOT need to enroll again. If you have questions about School of Choice or your current status, please feel free to contact Janae or Ben with questions.

Kindergarten Round-Up

Kindergarten Round-Up will be Friday, March 9th. You can pick up packets from the school office. Your child must be five before July 15th, 2018. We will need a copy of Birth Certificate, Immunization Records, and proof of residency.



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WHBN Celebrations

Students will be celebrating Working Hard and Being Nice. Our 4th and 5th graders will be going to Glacier Ice Arena on Thursday, March 8th and 2nd Grade will be going to the Avalon on Wednesday, March 7th. Third grade will be going to Spin City on, Friday, March 23rd. First Grade will be celebrating with a Clifford movie in the classroom. Contact your child's teacher for additional information.