



# Highlights

On Wednesday, March 18, 2015, the board highlighted:

## Moreland Elementary



Moreland Super Star Students continue to shine! Students from each class were **recognized** for their **great efforts academically**. Students were able to shine in their reading practice this month.



Dr. Seuss day was March 2<sup>nd</sup> and every student participated in a **Stop, Drop and Read** time. Mrs. Otterstrom, our librarian, had a **Favorite Book Character Creation** contest. Students worked hard on their projects with great, creative results!



## Riverside Elementary

We had our character assembly where we recognized several students in our school that exemplified the trait of responsibility. This month's character focus is fairness – *always give, and expect, a correct and honest response...treat everyone according to the same rules.*



Over 20 students had pizza lunch with Mr. Salmon for passing off their math facts tests. The students worked very hard to meet this challenge. We have already started another list of students who will get to have pizza next month with the principal.

Three teachers and Mr. Salmon did a 1-day site visit to Hailey Elementary. They were able to interview several teams of teachers and the principal about their Professional Learning Communities, curriculum, and how their school functions. Hailey Elementary is a certified PLC school and we were grateful for the opportunity to avail ourselves of their expertise.

## **Rockford Elementary**

Obert Skye took time out of his busy schedule to visit us. He has written sixteen wonderful books and his working on his 17th. He brings such a passion about reading and writing that everyone just comes away so enthused. We learn so many great things from him and appreciate his willingness to come to our school.

Marnie Spencer from the Bingham County Extension Office came and talked to the students about nutrition and exercise. She showed all the different types of foods that are available for us to eat.

Mrs. Nelson's class is learning how to make a scarf on a loom. They are doing an amazing job. I will send a picture next month of their finished products.



## **Snake River Middle School**

Sixth grade band and strings concert was held on March 12<sup>th</sup>. These students were able to share their musical accomplishments. We wish to thank Mr. Brady, Mrs. Winder, and our music students for a job well done.

Teacher In-service Day was held March 13<sup>th</sup>. Teachers continue to work on curriculum alignment to the Idaho State Core Standards. The SRMS Spelling Bee was held on March 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

The Privilege Activity was held on March 18<sup>th</sup>. This half day activity is organized for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students who have completed all academic goals in their core subject areas. Students participated in a physical fitness themed activity. The DYW representatives for the 2014-2015 school year presented a "Be Your Best Self" program for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls that afternoon.

This nine weeks grading period will end on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Teacher Prep Day will be held March 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be no school for students that day. "Tar Wars" will be held on March 25<sup>th</sup> for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Dr. Fackrell will discuss the hazards of smoking. Group Picture Day will be Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup>.

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade intramurals program just completed their dodge ball tournament. Congratulations to Mrs. Van Orden's class for the win. All classes greatly improved their ball handling skills.

The Bingham Memorial Hygiene Clinic will be presented by Mrs. Harrington on March 30<sup>th</sup> for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Spring Break: April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 6<sup>th</sup>. Students will return to school April 7<sup>th</sup>. Standardized Testing window is April 7<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup>.



## **Snake River Jr. High School**

This last month was a fun filled month at the Junior High!

We had several Valentine's Day activities for the students to attend on Thursday Feb 12th. We also had a toothbrush contest. The goal was to see which of the two grades could gather the most (unused) toothbrushes. The toothbrushes will be donated to a third world country via a senior project. The 7th graders smoked the 8th graders with a final count of 332 to 60!! The reward for the winning grade was a free period Monday, March 9.

On March 2nd our strings students had an orchestra concert. Mrs. Winder said she received the best compliment she has ever gotten from a grandparent after... 'They sounded like a real orchestra not cats meowing.' And all the parents feedback is that they are seeing great progress!



Track started March 4th. And they are so happy to see the weather changing!

Jett Shelley made us proud at the Hoop Shoot placing second at Regionals.

Make sure not to miss our Americorp program tidbit on the front page of the Morning News. It was such a positive plug about this valuable resource in our school and community.

And now on to next tri! Our second tri ended March 3rd. So be watching for those report cards

## **Snake River High School** **Youth BBCYC Conference**

Seven high school students from the Bingham County Youth Coalition and Mr. Tracy attended the Utah "Power of Prevention" conference. On Thursday, they listened to Dr. Bill Rackham about trust, community building, self-esteem, and the effects of alcohol and drugs on an individual and their families. On Friday, there were four classes the youth could go to: Designing your Digital Landscape, which was about how to avoid online predators; E-Cigs, which was about the dangers of tobacco and electronic cigarettes; Defining Beauty, a class that told about how society's views of beauty have made our self-esteem drop and how some start having eating disorders because of it; and Distracted Driving, which brought into perspective the hazards of distracted and drunk driving. They also had Clay Egan, a paralyzed TV personality from MTV, talk to them about the trials and obstacles he has overcome.



## **Wrestlers for the Win**

Snake River took the State Title at the Holt Arena February 27-28th with a team score of 246. Fruitland came in second with a team score of 192. We had five wrestlers in the finals. Four of which won individual state titles. State. Treyton Nilsson became a 4x State Champ at 113 lbs, Wyatt Vogler won at 160 lbs, Cutler Howell won at 170 lbs, Payson Anderton won at 182, and Tyrell Jensen came in close second at 220 lbs. Congratulations to the entire team.

## **Joseph & The Technicolor Dreamcoat**

The drama department put on an amazing theatrical production last week. Colton Paige executes an amazing performance of Joseph, the main character of the play. Dennis Taylor, grandfather of percussionist Connor Taylor, plays Jacob, the father of Joseph. This has been a great production, and we thank those who have helped put it together. Kudos to Director Jana McBride.



## **Spring Sports Have Started**

The spring sport season has started. Track, golf, baseball, and softball have had fairly nice weather conditions for practice, and we are very optimistic for superb seasons. Good luck to all of the student athletes.