

# Fox Prairie Enews

January 24, 2020

## Schedule for the Week

Monday 1/27 - C Day

Tuesday 1/28 - D Day

Wednesday 1/29- A Day

Thursday 1/30 - B Day

Friday 1/31 - C Day

## Today's Activity Day Fun!

Fox Prairie students enjoyed a fun time today with the activities they chose for Activity Day!



Doggy Bandanas



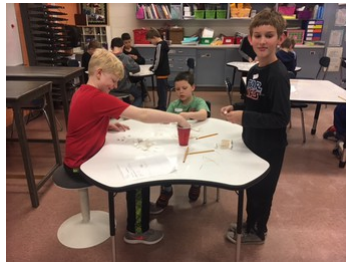
Go Noodle



STEM-Building bridges  
& structures



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Board Games/Cards



Robots - Ozobots &  
Meeperbots



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Basketball





Rock Wall in  
Gymnastics



Gymnastics



Gymnastics



Gymnastics



Pup Snacks



Pup Snacks



Slime



Slime



Slime

## Golden Fox Assembly

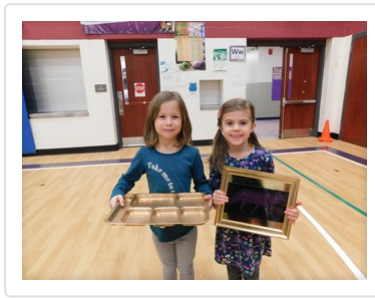
We celebrated our success as classes with a Golden Fox Assembly today & acknowledged student December birthdays.

Golden Fox tickets are awarded to classes for positive behavior throughout our building.

Golden Fox tickets in each category get a traveling trophy and the opportunity to choose a

classroom reward such as: extra recess or pajama day.

We're proud of our students!



## All School Field Trip to the Overture Center on Monday, January 27!

Thanks to our Fox Prairie WFK's group, and your support of the wonderful things that they do for our students and school, we'll be taking **all** Fox Prairie Elementary staff and students to the Overture Center in Madison on **Monday, January 27th**. We plan to leave at 11:00 and return at 2:45.

A permission slip will be coming home soon with our students. **All students must turn in a permission slip.** Click [here](#) if you need a copy.



We will not be needing additional chaperones on this trip because we'll be taking all staff as well.

Please note that students should wear purple shirts or sweatshirts, if possible, this day.

## Parent/Teacher Conferences in February

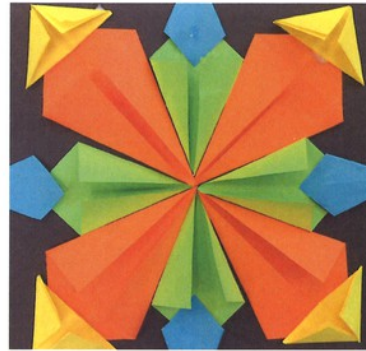
Parent/Teacher conferences will be held Wednesday, February 19, 3:15-8:00, and Thursday, February 20, Noon - 8:00.

Watch your child's backpack for conference invitations that were sent home with students.



We're looking forward to seeing you!

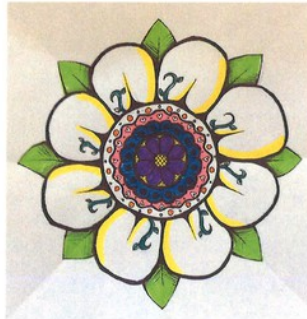
## Art News!

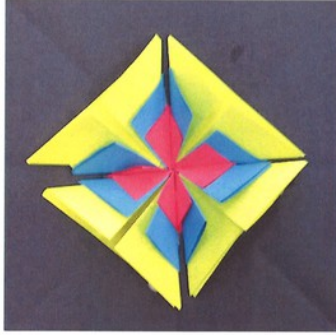


## Art News

Rita Yanny, Fox Prairie Art Teacher

Kindergarteners and first graders are working on a variety of art including drawings, sculptures, and painted paper collages. Second and third grade students recently created self-portraits inspired by the Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. Fourth and fifth grade students are demonstrating their knowledge about radial symmetry with drawings and folded origami compositions.









## Physical Education Updates

### Grade K and 1:

Our kindergarten and 1st grades are about half way through our gymnastics unit. We have been focusing on basic tumbling skills, balances, and locomotor movements while stressing the importance of safety throughout our gymnastics lessons.

Students have also had the opportunity to learn how to safely use a variety of gymnastics equipment such as: balance beams, parallel bars, uneven bars, and vault. Students have also been improving their muscular strength by using our climbing rope, pull up bar, rock wall, cargo net, and swing. Lastly, classes were able to use our



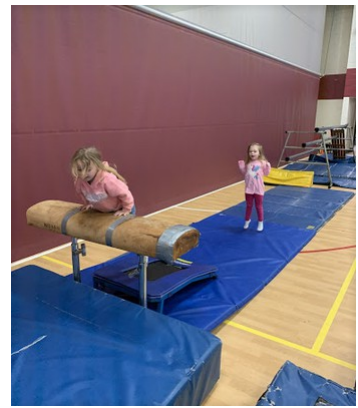


tumbling mats as walls for a variety of exciting hide and seek games (see pictures), where we learned about fair game play, honesty, and strategy.

### **Grades 2, 3, 4, and 5:**

We are just over half way through our gymnastics unit at Fox Prairie! We have had a lot of fun learning and practicing the fundamentals of tumbling. Students have improved their flexibility with various locomotor movements, stretches, and balance challenges.

They have also improved their personal strength climbing our rope, performing pull ups, and executing basic tumbling movements. Another exciting component of this unit is our gymnastics station work where students improve their fitness levels while safely using our rock wall, uneven bars, pommel horse, rope swing, and balance beams.



# Clef Notes



## A Music Minute with Mrs. Janisch

Welcome to Fox Prairie Music! Thank you to everyone who attended the Winter Sing Concert! Students enjoyed showing off the skills and knowledge that they have gained so far this school year. It was a wonderful success!

In January, students practiced their listening and evaluation skills by watching and discussing the concert. They have also started learning about a very important element of music: *melody*. Students will learn about and experience different aspects of melody through singing, playing instruments, creating, moving, and responding to music.

### Upcoming events:

Norse Afternoon of Fun – select 4<sup>th</sup> graders | Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> | 1:30-3:30pm | SHS Gym  
Fifth Grade Musical – Mary Poppins | May 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> | 6:30pm | Stoughton Opera House

Kindergarten is experiencing melody by exploring high & low pitches, solfège patterns, and melodic contour.

1<sup>st</sup> grade is experiencing melody by exploring high/low pitches, so-mi-la-do patterns, and melodic contour.

2<sup>nd</sup> grade is experiencing melody by exploring melodic contour, do-re-mi-so-la solfège patterns, skips & steps, and do pentatonic.

3<sup>rd</sup> grade is experiencing melody by exploring melodic direction, more advanced solfège patterns, pentatonic scales, and pitch names.

4<sup>th</sup> grade is experiencing melody by exploring melodic contour & direction, pentatonic & major scales, sequences, and pitch names. They are also learning the Norwegian National Anthem.

5<sup>th</sup> grade is experiencing melody by exploring various modes/scales as well as advanced melodic & solfège patterns. Select 5<sup>th</sup> graders have also started practices for their musical in May.

### National and State Music Standards

In Music Class, students learn to:

- \***Perform:** Sing & Play Instruments
- \***Create:** Compose, Improvise, Explore
- \***Notate:** Read, Write, & Interpret music
- \***Respond:** Analyze, Evaluate, Listen, Express, Move, Dance
- \***Connect:** Make connections between music & other subjects



## SASD 4K Enrollment is Coming - March 3rd!

Do you live in Stoughton and have a child who will turn 4 on or before September 1, 2020? Enroll them in our Stoughton Area School District's free, community-based 4K program!

For more information, see our [4K Registration Flyer](#) or visit our [website](#).





Drop in at 4K  
sites 5-7 p.m.

# Save the Date!

## 4k enrollment

March 3, 2020

4-8 p.m.

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# Coming Soon During February Conferences - Clothing Swap

Do you have children's clothing that you need to get rid of? Do you need clothing for your child(ren)? During our February 19-20 parent-teacher conferences, we will host a children's clothing exchange. You will not have to donate clothing to be able to get clothing.

We will have boxes outside our main office to drop off clothing for this drive.

## Yearbooks on Sale Now!

Fox Prairie Elementary's 2019-20 yearbooks are on sale now. Ordering is available until March 23, 2020. These full-color yearbooks are \$11.00. An order form has been sent home with your child.

If you wish to order a yearbook, either go [here](#) to order online using code# 13444720 or return the envelope with cash, check or money order payable to Lifetouch.

The yearbooks will be delivered to us in May.

## Extra Clothes at School

It's always a good idea to have an extra pair of pants & undies at school for your child. Please put an extra pair of each in your child's backpack. When we've had rain overnight, we remind students to stay on the wood chips and blacktop only, but sometimes it's hard to avoid getting a bit wet.

We're always in need of extra pants, especially for our younger students. If you have any extra pants that your child has outgrown, please send them in, and we'll put them to good use.

Thank you!

## Craft Supplies Needed for the Imaginarium Lab

Mrs. Steinke is looking for any craft supplies to create more of a STEAM lab in the Imaginarium Lab next to the library.

If you have any extra crafting items, paper, building toys, robots, or other supplies that you don't want or need, please drop them off in the library. Please ask friends, neighbors, and family members over the holidays too. We will be using supplies so there will always be a need.

## Winter Weather Recess Guidelines



Please note the following guidelines that we use for students at recess time:

- 60+ Degrees - Students do not need to wear a coat to recess.
- 35-59 Degrees - Students need to wear a jacket or, at least, long sleeves
- 35 Degrees and below - Students need to wear a coat, gloves, hat & their legs must be covered.

If there is snow:

- Students must wear boots, coat, and snowpants to play on the equipment or in the fields.
- Students must stay on the blacktop if they do not have boots coat, and snowpants.

Students who are dressed for the temperature are more prepared with warm clothing and are able to stay dryer as they enjoy playing in our winter weather. Thank you for helping with that!

Please note that the district's practice is to have outdoor recess as long as the wind chill temperature is -5 or warmer. Hopefully we'll be able to keep everyone healthy this winter as the temperatures continue to drop.

## Watch D.O.G.S. Sign Up

### Who are Watch D.O.G.S?

Watch D.O.G.S. are fathers, mothers, grandfathers, grandmothers, guardians, aunts, uncles, or community members, etc., who volunteer for a half or full school day at an official Watch D.O.G.S. school. During the day, Watch D.O.G.S. may read and work on school activities with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch school entrances and hallways, and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with students. On the day of their participation, Watch D.O.G.S. are given a brief review of their involvement and wear an official Watch D.O.G.S. t-shirt identifying them as a Watch D.O.G.S. in the building.

### Program Benefits

- Students gain positive role models.
- Schools gain extra sets of eyes and ears. The presence of volunteer adults provides an additional deterrent to bullying, enhances a sense of security in the building, and helps create an environment conducive to learning.
- Adults get a glimpse of our students' everyday world and learn about the increasingly complex challenges and decisions today's youth are facing. As a result, they can learn to relate better to their student and connect with them.

Here is the [slide presentation](#) from our information meeting.

Please click [here](#) to sign up.

## Fox Prairie Library Media Center

Please follow the happenings at the Fox Prairie Library Media Center on Facebook at Fox Prairie LMC.

# 2019-2020 SASD Calendar

Click [here](#) for our district calendar for the 2019-2020 school year.

## Fox Prairie Shout Outs

If you would like to recognize a staff member here at Fox, please complete this [form](#). We love to celebrate our great staff!

## Follow Us on Twitter

You can find us @FoxPrairieK5 to see all the great things we're doing at Fox!



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