

Fox Prairie Enews

March 6, 2020

Schedule for the Week

Monday 3/9 - C Day

Tuesday 3/10 - D Day

Wednesday 3/11- A Day

Thursday 3/12 - B Day

Friday 3/13- No School

Coronavirus Update

- We have assembled a district pandemic planning committee to put systems in place to keep students and staff healthy. The committee is following the guidance of the trusted local, state and national sources (including the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Public Instruction and Wisconsin Department of Health Services/Public Health Madison & Dane County).
- **We now have information about the coronavirus on the district website under the [Health Services](#) section:** This page will function as an up-to-date resource for families. Included is archived coronavirus district communications, FAQs and relevant links.

Calendar Reminders

No School - Friday, March 13

No School During Spring Break - Monday, March 23- Friday, March 27



Prairie Packs Last Friday

Students had fun spending time with their Prairie Packs to begin observing Read Across America!

Read Across America Fun at Fox Prairie!

We had several staff & students who dressed up as his/her favorite character on Monday. It was so fun seeing who their favorite character was!

We also had several Stoughton High School students join us in the afternoon to read to our students & share their love of reading.





Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Offers an Annual Essay Contest for Fourth and Fifth Grade Students.

This year's essay contest topic is, **"How has Wisconsin agriculture affected your life today?"** This essay topic is a natural tie with the 2020 Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Book of the Year: **Right This Very Minute** which is the same author that came to our school for an author visit--*Lisl Detlefsen*!



The book and essay contest allows students to explore how agriculture affects us each day as we eat, choose the clothes we will wear and the careers around us.

This is an *optional essay for 4th and 5th graders*. It is only a 100-300 page essay that can be only 1 page long. Mrs. Steinke would be happy to help with the essay during recess times.

Due March 15th for school submissions.

For more information click here: Mrs. Steinke's page on the contest:

<https://sites.google.com/a/stoughton.k12.wi.us/mrs-steinke-lmc/wisconsin-ag-essay-contest>

Wi Ag Classroom contest rules page: <https://www.wisagclassroom.org/events-activities/essay-contest/>



Fox Prairie Garden Committee Opportunity!

Spring is almost here!

The Garden Committee will meet on March 12 in Room 8 at 3:15. Come join us if you are interested in planning for the upcoming season.

If you would like to join our committee, please email Kathi Oettel at kathi.oettel@stoughton.k12.wi.us

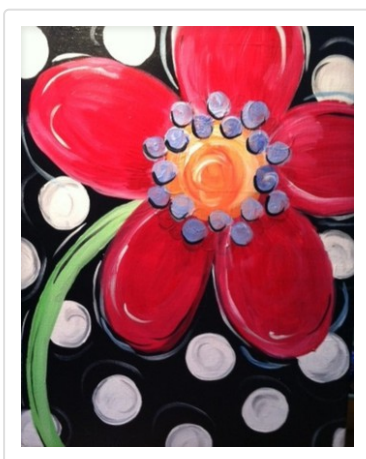
Thank you!

WFK's Shoe Drive

Shoe Drive – Once again we are collecting gently used pairs of shoes for a shoe drive. Donated shoes support micro-enterprise vendors in developing nations. The drive also helps us raise money for WFK. Please drop your unwanted shoes in the designated box near the office. The deadline for the shoe drive is Friday, April 3.



Our next WFK meeting is March 12 from 6-8pm in the LMC. Join us! (Kids welcome) For the latest updates, follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/FoxPrairieWFK/>



WFK'S Paint Nights Coming in March!

Working for Kids is pleased to once again offer Paint Nights. This is a fun opportunity for an adult and child to create a spring-themed work of art with step-by-step instruction from Sara Lenz of Creative Canvases with Sara.

This is often a popular event so be sure to sign up early!

Cost: \$30 cash or check payable to Fox Prairie WFK per adult-child pair. Payment will be collected at the beginning of the session. Contact Cally Ehle at caehle@att.net with any questions or to request financial assistance.

Grades K, 1 & 2 will be Tuesday, March 10 from 6-7:30pm.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084BAAAC23A4FB6-grades4>

Summer EXCEL

Summer EXCEL registration for grades KG-8th grade is coming. The course book which contains descriptions of the classes will be completed in mid-March.

Registration for Summer EXCEL begins April 13th through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. All classes are FREE. Students will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis. Summer School runs from June 15 to July 10, 2020.

If you do not have a Campus Portal account, or have not activated it, you can do so before registration. If you have questions about the Campus Portal, please contact Amanda O'Brien at Amanda.obrien@stoughton.k12.wi.us.

5th Grade Musical, Mary Poppins Jr., is Coming!

Mrs. Janisch and several 5th grade students are working hard preparing for this year's musical.

Here are the details:

Musical: Mary Poppins, Jr.

Performances: Tuesday and Wednesday, May 5 & 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Dress Rehearsal: Monday, May 4

Location: Stoughton Opera House

Mark your calendars to come enjoy watching our young performers. We hope to see you there!

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.

2020-2021 Central Registration

The dates for 2020-2021 Central Registration are as follows:

Thursday, August 13, 2020 - 7am - 1pm

Tuesday, August 18, 2020 - 2pm - 8pm

Central Registration will, once again, be held at Stoughton High School.

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.

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!

Art News

Rita Yanny-Fox Prairie Art Teacher

Did you know that March is Youth Art Month?

Here are some ideas to help you celebrate!

Visit an art museum or take a virtual tour. **Draw, color, or paint.** Weave, sew, embroider, or knit. Repurpose household materials into art. **Read a book** about your favorite artist. Use natural materials to create art! **Chalk it up on your sidewalk.** **Create edible art.** **Build a sculpture.** Take a photo. **Create a collage.**



If you would like to donate materials to the Art room, we currently need long cardboard tubes--wrapping paper tubes are exactly what we are looking for! Thank you!

COMMUNITY ART EXHIBIT

In celebration of Youth Art Month, banners of student artwork are on display at the Stoughton Public Library during the month of March. Congratulations to the following 4th and 5th grade Fox Prairie students: Adonis, Merari, Amelia, Kloe, Adam, Owen, Nolan, and Anderson.



ART ON TOUR

Fox Prairie is one of six schools in Dane County participating in the Art on Tour program. This free program brings art from the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art into our school for six weeks. Students have been responding to and creating art inspired by the three featured prints.

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WEB OF LIFE

NATURE IN ART

Through a three-year museum-school partnership, MMoCA Art on Tour brings works of art from the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art's permanent collection to six public elementary schools in Dane County. A new exhibition travels to participating schools each year to support learning through visual art.

MMoCA is an independent organization that exhibits, collects, and promotes modern and contemporary art to provide transformative experiences that educate, reflect, and inspire in an individual and a community.

The museum's education department organizes programs to increase public understanding and appreciation of modern and contemporary art. Visit mmoca.org for more information.

MMoCA Art on Tour is supported in part by an anonymous donor.

Tom Ulfbeck (American, b. 1941), *Shoreline on Lake Kari 1988*, tempera, oil & ink on canvas, 60 x 60 inches. Gift of John Gramstad. Collection of the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art.



Artists have been drawn to nature for centuries for its beauty, drama, and ability to inspire awe and wonder. More recently, artists have taken a stand on behalf of nature to encourage environmental awareness, activism, and stewardship.

Web of Life: Nature in Art features three works of art, including the image above, from the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art's permanent collection. The works selected for this exhibition portray animals and other features of the natural world in all their mystery and splendor. On view for the next several weeks at your school, *Web of Life* offers a unique opportunity to explore nature through contemporary art.

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