

# P W PRINTS

January 2018

[THURSDAY] **Jan 4**

School resumes

[FRIDAY] **Jan 5**

Report Cards Go Home

[THURSDAY] **Jan 11**

Wildcat Winner Assembly

[MONDAY] **Jan 15**

No School- Teacher In-service

[TUESDAY] **Jan 23**

PTO Meeting @ 6:30 PM

Dr. Habrock speaking

[TUESDAY] **Feb 6**

PTO Meeting @ 6:30 PM

[WED & THURS] **Feb 14 & 15**

Parent/Teacher Conferences

3:00 PM to 7:00 PM

[MONDAY] **Feb 26**

Kindergarten Round-up Parent

Meeting @ 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

[FRIDAY] **Mar 2**

Kindergarten Round-up @ 9:00

AM to 11:00 AM

## Principal's Message

Hello Westridge Families,

Welcome to 2018! Just a quick reminder that we start back to school this Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing everyone back at school and hearing about everyone's winter break.

Please remember, our January PTO meeting is not on the first Tuesday of this month. We have moved the meeting to January 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will still be at 6:30 PM in the Westridge library. This change was made because we will be welcoming Dr. Habrock, EPS Superintendent, to this meeting. Dr. Habrock will be sharing important information about Elkhorn Public Schools. We hope that you will be able to join us to hear about the current progress and future plans for the district.

On January 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be having our next teacher in-service day. There will be no school on this day. During our in-service, we will be working school improvement items. As a district, we are continuing to work on implementing the Elkhorn Instructional Model. This model provides a common understanding and vocabulary about effective instructional practice that are happening in every classroom throughout the district. We will also be taking a closer look at our winter data from MAP testing and our AIMSweb benchmarking, which will be done the week of Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>. We use this data to analyze student achievement and to make instructional decisions that will maximize learning for Westridge students. For parents, I know the focus is more on individual progress of their child(ren), and his/her classroom performance. This progress is indicated on the report cards that will be coming home on Friday, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Mr. Broshar**



## Westridge Elementary Mission Statement:

In an effort to create life-long learners, the staff at Westridge Elementary School working closely with parents and community strives to realize each child's fullest potential in the areas of personal, social, intellectual, emotional, and physical development.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Music Concerts

Here are the dates for the remaining music concerts for this school year. Please be sure to mark your calendars.

### March 13<sup>th</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Recorder Concert from 6:30 to 7:30 PM @ Elkhorn Middle School

### March 15<sup>th</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade @ 6:00 PM  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade @ 7:00 PM

### April 19<sup>th</sup>

Kindergarten @ 6:00 PM  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade @ 7:00 PM



## Question of the Month

### What is the best way to manage my child's lunch account?



Keeping track of everything going on at school can seem like a full time job some times. Having to sign the student planner, check over homework, keep track of pajama days, and knowing the correct letter day are all things that parents have to remember. Managing your child's lunch account is another thing that can be tough to stay on top of.

Sodexo is the company that Elkhorn Public Schools contracts with for nutrition services. In order to make managing lunch accounts as easy as possible, they have an online system that parents can use to monitor and deposit money into lunch accounts. You can even set up reoccurring payments to automatically be deposited into the account when it hits a certain balance. This option can make managing your child's lunch account extremely easy. You can find more information about these and other lunch services (such as menus) on our website at:

<http://www.elkhornweb.org/parents/lunch/>

Sodexo has also adopted a policy that students are not able to charge for a lunch once they have hit negative \$10 in their lunch account. In order to communicate a low balance to parents, emails are sent out to parents daily when a child's account hits \$5.00. Once an account balance goes negative, the school will send out an automated phone call every day until the balance is back above \$0. It is important that students have positive balances in their lunch accounts. If you have any questions about this policy or any other lunch related items, please give us a call at 402-289-2559.

Remember if you would like to submit any questions you have in order to learn more about Westridge Elementary. Please go to the link below. If the link doesn't automatically open, please copy and paste it into your browser window.

Link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdb1mM6Eo97sqJAeNdSrAUF36i38HfceX0xikTe3lhd\\_BITIA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdb1mM6Eo97sqJAeNdSrAUF36i38HfceX0xikTe3lhd_BITIA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1)

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One of the ways PTO fundraises for the school is to partner with business that give back every time you shop with them. This includes:

Hy-Vee- bring your receipts to school and they donate a portion back.

TAGG app- many business donate a percentage of your bill back to your school. Check the app to see if one of your favorite shops is on there.

Box Tops- The little squares on select boxes can contribute up to \$2000 back to our school. PTO splits this with student council and they run the recycling program at the school.

We have added two new businesses:

Tuft and Needle, a mattress company, and Christensen Brothers Auto repair on 17330 Evans Plaza in Omaha.

If you are in need of a new mattress check out [tuftandneedle.com](http://tuftandneedle.com). Our school is now listed on the dropdown menu at [tuftandneedle.com/givesback](http://tuftandneedle.com/givesback). When our community chooses our school when they purchase and we will receive 25% back from that sale.

Christensen Brothers will give back 3% of your bill. Show this coupon and they will know you are with Westridge.

January 9th is Westridge night at Freddy's. Come enjoy a hamburger and ice cream and help out your school.

Keep an eye out for information about our family night coming up. Book bingo! A free event for all our families to enjoy!

Our next PTO meeting will be January 23 with Dr. Habrock will be our guest speaker.

PTO MEETING SCHEDULE	
Next Meeting: January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	
February 6 <sup>th</sup>	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>
March 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 1 <sup>st</sup>
All meetings are held in the library at 6:30 PM.	



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# ***SUPER HERO READING LOG***

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Even though we will be on vacation from school, our reading can't take a vacation over Winter Break. Read at least 90 minutes during break. We understand that some days will be busy, but read when you can! Write the number of minutes and have a parent sign each day that you've read. Get creative with your reading:: take turns reading, read a recipe, read signs if you're driving, read aloud to your parent, have a parent read aloud to you! **Return this completed form to your teacher by Friday, January 5. Try to make sure your minutes add up to 90 or more.***

Date	# of Minutes	Parent Signature
12/22		
12/23		
12/24		
12/25		
12/26		
12/27		
12/28		
12/29		
12/30		
12/31		
1/1		
1/2		
1/3		
Total Minutes:		



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