

PRAIRIE ROSE ELEMENTARY  
NOV 2021

# PANTHER BUZZ

*Learn Together - Live Together - Lead Together*

## A Word from Weiler



Scales, tracking and goals!

Prairie Rose staff are committed to moving students toward a specific goal(s). We can't provide effective scales, track progress, or celebrate student success if we don't have student learning goals.

These learning goals are strategic and broad enough in scope to facilitate growth over time.

Providing Scales and Rubrics is important because it allows students to understand the progression of knowledge they are expected to achieve. These scales clearly outline the target skill at the 3.0 level as well as the prerequisite skills and vocabulary necessary for reaching the target in the 2.0 level.

Tracking Student Progress ties in with scales because the scales assess where a student is in the progression of knowledge and mastery. The scales give a clear picture of student learning. When students are tracking their own progress on a proficiency scale, they can take ownership of their learning. Just as we use scales/rubrics with our students, staff have also committed to a goal to determine their own pedagogical growth.

Sincerely, Ms. Weiler

## IMPORTANT DATES

**11.7**

Daylight savings time ends  
**TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HR**

**11.8**

Picture retakes

**11.9**

PAC meeting

**11.11**

**NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day**

**11.12 - 11.14**

Badlands Community Art Show

**11.18**

3rd Grade music program

**11.24 - 11.26**

**NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving**

## REPORT CARDS

Report cards were sent home in October. If you have any questions you may visit with your child's classroom teacher.

## AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

American Education Week is November 15th - 19th and will present all Americans with a wonderful opportunity to celebrate public education and honor individuals who are making a difference in ensuring that every child receives a quality education. The following days will be celebrated:

### **Mon Nov 15th: KICK-OFF DAY!**

celebrate excellence in education by wearing your favorite jersey and jeans

### **Tues Nov 16th: Family Day**

bring a family picture to hang on our school family tree

### **Wed Nov 17th: Paraprofessional Day**

wear jeans and PRE shirt

### **Thurs Nov 18th: Educator Day**

dress as if you were in your future career

### **Fri Nov 19th: Guest Teacher Day**

## 3RD GRADE MUSIC PROGRAM

Mark your calendars for this special event - A Musical Salute To Our Veterans, Thursday, Nov 18th at 2:15 and 6:30 in the gymnasium. Everyone has a role so it's imperative all students are at both performances. Students will need to be in their classrooms by 6:20 the evening of the program. Students should wear red, white and blue or their Boy Scout uniform. Parents may attend the evening performance. If your child is unable to attend, please contact Mrs. Kilwein so other arrangements can be made, [kkilwein@dpsnd.org](mailto:kkilwein@dpsnd.org).

Refresh recess is a strategy to assist students with the number one area of identified discipline referrals in our school. We are reinforcing an important part of the school day (recess) by promoting safe and active participation by all students to feel connected to Prairie Rose throughout all parts of the school day and returning back to the classroom ready to learn. The refresh recess program also engages staff with supervision to develop positive relationships with students. Week two included an obstacle course. This activity teaches students about sportsmanship and team spirit!



## PICTURE RETAKES

We will have picture retakes on Monday, November 8th.

## COMMUNITY ART SHOW

The Badlands Art Association will host their 51st Annual community art show November 12th - 14th at Roosevelt Grand Dakota Hotel (next to El Sombrero Mexican restaurant). Entry forms can be printed by clicking [here](#). For more information, click [here](#). Showcase your creativity through your artworks!

## STUDENT LIGHTHOUSE TEAM

The Student Lighthouse Team at PRE is an elected group of students that help make decisions for our school. Students in grades 3-5 have the opportunity to apply for a position on the Student Lighthouse Team. Approved students will interview and create campaign speeches and posters during the month of November. An election will be held on November 29th and 30th. Members of the Student Lighthouse team will be announced in December.

## FRONT LOOP

Thank you to parents who have used safe practices in using the loop as a drop off point since school started. Remember that the loop is not a parking spot – not even for a few minutes. If you need to park we ask that you use the designated parking spots. If they are full, we ask that you park along the side of the street.

## NO SCHOOL

School will not be in session on the following days: Nov 11 – Veteran's Day Observance; Nov 24, 25 and 26 – Thanksgiving Break



2D combined math, learning about Columbus Day and using a growth mindset to build a boat, count out 20 sailors and sail it in the ocean without it sinking.





## PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Prairie Rose encourages parents to become involved in school decisions and activities. PAC is an important committee used to share information and receive feedback about academics, events and programs. PAC may also be leaders in special events within the school or may head up fundraising for special projects. PAC meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 at Prairie Rose. PAC can be found on Facebook by clicking [here](#).

## STAY HEALTHY!

We understand that illnesses other than COVID-19 are occurring and will continue to occur. Colds and cases of flu are a worthy concern. It is safe to say that kids are going to get sick. It's bound to happen; however, we need to be considerate of each other. If your child is presenting COVID-like symptoms we are asking you keep them home. If your child presents COVID-like symptoms while at school, we will call parents to come pick them up. Thank you for your understanding and support as we all work to keep our building safe and healthy for all.

## COLD WEATHER GUIDELINES

As cold weather begins to set in, please send your child(ren) with their warmest winter clothing. Students need warm coats, hats and gloves. Snow pants and boots are required if your child wants to play in the snow. It is important that they have these items and if possible please write their names inside of their coats, snow pants, gloves and hats.

- If the temperature is under 50° students must wear coats
- If the temperature is 51° - 60° students can wear long sleeves/sweatshirts
- If the temperature is 60° and above, students can wear shorts/t-shirts

## THANK YOU!

One of the pieces of equipment that our PAC has sponsored are the soccer nets found on the west playground. Thank you families and our entire community for supporting PRE students!

