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Parkwood Elementary Newsletter ~ March 2019

Parkwood PBIS Focus for March

MARCH GRIT FOCUS: TENACITY

MARCH PBIS FOCUS: EXPRESS POLITE ACTIONS AND WORDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF OUR FEBRUARY BINGO BOARD DRAWING! STUDENTS THAT DEMONSTRATED OUR SCHOOL-WIDE FOCUS OF SHOWING KINDNESS WERE ABLE TO PUT THEIR NAME ON THEIR CLASSROOM BINGO BOARD FOR A CHANCE TO CHOOSE A PRIZE. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHO WILL WIN IN MARCH!



Calendar of Events

March 8 – Reports Cards go Home

March 12-14 – Scholastic Book Fair

March 25-29 – Spring Recess

April 1 – Classes Resume



From the desk of Principal Arroyo...

Perseverance** Growth Mindset **GRIT** Resilience ** Tenacity ** Self-confidence ** Integrity



Dear School District U-46 Parents and Guardians,



Our students take federally- required state assessments every spring. These assessments help us understand how our students are performing and growing academically, compared to their peers across the state. The state uses this information to provide more support and resources to the schools with the greatest needs. This year, the English language arts and math assessment for grades 3-8 is called the **Illinois Assessment of Readiness**.

The Illinois Assessment of Readiness is almost exactly the same this year as the state assessment that students took last year, only slightly shorter. The Illinois Assessment of Readiness measures how well students meet the Illinois Learning Standards and includes the same high-quality test questions used during the past four years.

Our students should feel prepared to show what they know and can do on the Illinois Assessment of Readiness, even with the new test name and new look.

This year the testing window in School District U-46 opens April 1 and continues through April 26. Building principals will inform families before their school's specific test administration.

If you have questions about the Illinois Assessment of Readiness, please reach out to me or contact the Assessment and Accountability Department through "Let's Talk" or by calling Laura Hill, Director of Assessment and Accountability at 847-888-5000, extension 5677 . As always, we encourage our students to do their best every day.

Thank you for your partnership in your child's academic success.



Parkwood will empower students to develop their dreams and convert them to reality.