



# Washington Elementary

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## From the Principal, Ms. McLarty

### Happy Valentine's Day!

This has become one of my favorite holidays. And I am so proud that Washington Elementary continues to model and teach our students to CHOOSE LOVE.

I truly believe that if we CHOOSE LOVE through our actions and words, we can change the world.



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#### February Dates

Feb. 1 Book Hogs Reading Log Begins

Feb. 11 PTO Meeting at 6:00

Feb. 11 Five Week Progress Reports Go Home

Feb. 15- Jump Rope for Heart Ends

Feb. 18 No School

Feb. 27- Book Swap for Grades K-4

#### Communication of Your Child's Progress

On Monday, February 11, you will receive a report of your child's MAPS scores as well as a 5 Week Progress Report Card. Our staff believes and appreciates that a child's success is supported by the partnership between the family and school. If you have any questions regarding your child's progress, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

#### March will be "Parent Teacher Conference" Month

Take advantage of this time to discuss your child's progress. If you have any questions or ideas on your child's academic progress, we want to visit about that. Forms to sign up for a conference will come home soon.

PTO News, Melissa Werner, President

We raised an impressive \$600 at this year's Skatium Fundraiser. It was our biggest crowd to date with over 250 people paying to skate. Thanks goes out to Tiffany and our friends at Starlite Skatium for partnering with us and making the event so fun and successful!

Join us for our February Meeting on Monday, Feb.11 at 6:00 in the Library. Childcare is provided. Ms. McLarty and Mrs. L will be our program on Choose Love.

#### Book Swap scheduled for February 27!

Get excited for our Book Swap a time where all students will visit the library and trade and get a gently used book.

Erin Wilson contact at erinwilson4@gmail.com  
For questions or to volunteer.



## Books Needed for Book Swap

On **Wednesday, February 27**, in preparation for the nationwide day of observance, Washington Elementary School will be holding their 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Book Swap! Please bring your gently used children's books – geared toward K-4 students – that you would like to donate. We're looking for picture books, chapter books, and everything in between. If you have any friends, family members, or co-workers who would like to donate books, we'll take their books too!

Every class will have the opportunity to visit the library on Wednesday, February 2 to "shop" at the mini-bookstore and take home a "new" book chosen from the selection of donated books.

If you have questions, please contact Erin Wilson: [erinwilson4@gmail.com](mailto:erinwilson4@gmail.com)

## Library News

Book Hogs is officially in gear! Please log your child's minutes of reading every day for the month of February! Don't forget that being read to counts as minutes also! Minutes can only qualify after school is out. 360 minutes the minimum minutes students are required to read to receive a prize and be entered into the drawing of the Book Hog Field Trip



We will hold our annual Book Swap on **Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**. Every student will have the opportunity to take home a gently used book. If you have used books that you would like to donate, please send them!

## Community Spotlight

Washington Elementary would like to recognize and thank the volunteers of Genesis Church. These volunteers work with our a group of our students twice a week off campus to tutor and provide a meal. Genesis also provides food and clothing for families in the Fayetteville community.

These volunteers are always "a call way" to help any of our students and we are proud of our partnership and thank them for the their service.

## Music News, from Mrs. Holt

The third and fourth graders are learning to play recorder this semester. They will be performing in a concert with the Arkansas Philharmonic Orchestra (APO) in May. This concert is called "Link-Up" and is made possible through our partnership with Carnegie Hall. A recorder will be provided on loan by the school. If you wish to purchase a recorder to be used during music class and the concert, they are available at Saied Music on Garland Ave. **Please note that it is not required for you to purchase a recorder.** Additional information will be arriving in Monday folders. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Holt, [christina.holt@g.fayar.net](mailto:christina.holt@g.fayar.net)



We Choose Love and Love  
Mrs. Lechtenberger!  
Thank you for loving our  
students and school!  
*National Counselor Week*  
*Feb. 4-8*



Here are some members of the  
Random Act of Kindness team  
Visiting the Animal Shelter to  
Give the money raised.

## News From the Gym

Kids Heart Challenge, formerly Jump Rope for Heart, kicked off January 28 and will run through February 15. We will be discussing the risk factors that cause heart disease and talking about what measures students can take to improve their own heart health. Parents can help students sign up online if you would like to fundraise at [heart.org/kidsheartchallenge](http://heart.org/kidsheartchallenge). There is also a mobile app called the Kids Heart Challenge to help keep track of our team raising money for the American Heart Association. This is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fundraiser and Washington's 15<sup>th</sup> consecutive year to participate.

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***It Takes Heart  
to be a Hero!***

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Twice a year, General Mills will send our school a check worth 10 cents for each Box Top redeemed.

## FPS Wellness & Education Clinic Open for Students Owl Creek School

479-718-0285

Hours 7:30-3:30

The FPS Wellness & Education Clinic, located at Owl Creek school, offers services to the districts students, faculty and staff. A partnership with Community Clinic, a health care ministry of St. Francis House NWA, the clinic provides an ideal venue to access a quality school based comprehensive wellness center.

Our goal is to allow easy access to physical and mental health care and assist with the prevention of delayed appointments allowing the students, faculty and staff to remain in school and will help to improve the students social and academic success.

Talk to Nurse Lisa at Washington if you have questions.



Washington Students shared their leadership skills with both U.S. Congressman Steve Womack and a group from Leadership Fayetteville. Students greeted our guests and toured them around the school. Our guests also visited several classrooms to see how leadership skills are used in the classroom. Our students did a fantastic job on showing our we implement The Leader In Me.