

# Washington Elementary

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### March

March is Parent Teacher Month. Hope to see you here for this important time.

March 3- Book Swap

March 5- Spring

Pictures and Group Pictures

March 15- PJ Day and Movie Day

March 20- Bus Safety Day

March 23-27 Spring Break

April- ACT Aspire testing window begins for 3rd and 4th grade.

### Routines at home make a BIG difference at school!

This is the time of year that the days become longer and schedules and routines can sometime change. I have noticed in the last couple of weeks students coming tired to school. Whether the child stayed up too late or their routine was off, this can effect the entire school day. I encourage you to continue a healthy sleep routine even when it's hard to. By doing so, it will help your child have a better school day.

**Please make plans to attend our Spring Parent Teacher conferences scheduled with your child's teacher.**

Kindergarten Enrollment will take place at the

FPS Central Registration Office on April 1 from 7:30-4:30.

Please share with your friends and neighbors.

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### PTO News

**Join us for our March PTO Meeting  
Scheduled for Monday, March 9 at 6:00.  
Free Childcare for School Aged Children**

We will be giving away Books and donated items from the Lost and Found.

Cambre Horne-Brooks, the Executive Director of the Fayetteville Public Education Foundation will be joining us to speak about the work the Foundation does including how the grants process works.

In addition, Annie Dowling, the Field Day coordinator, will be talking about Field Day: getting us geared up for the festive end of the year event.

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## Mark Your Calendars!

End of Year Assessments is an important time for our school. Please mark your calendars and be mindful of these dates to not to interrupt your child's testing.  
If you have questions, please contact your child's teacher. Thank you!

K-2 MAP EOY window is March 31– April 8.  
ACT Aspire dates: 3rd Grade April 21-23 and  
4th Grade April 14-16  
3rd and 4th Grade MAP EOY window is April 22-May 23.

It's time to SPRING CLEAN!

Our clothes closet is low on pants and shorts.  
Please consider donating all those **comfortable sweats and stretchy pants** that no longer fit your kiddos.  
We are in need of all sizes for boys and girls.  
Thanks in advance,  
Nurse Haley



Washington Elementary  
Raised \$3700 for the American Heart Association during our Kid's Heart Fundraiser.

Coach Thomas promised that for every student who raised \$100 or more, they would "Slim" him.  
We had 11 students help "Slim" Coach Thomas and everyone celebrated by watching.

## Library News, Mrs. Champagne

February was a very successful Book Hogs month!

March 1st is Read Across America Day. Students throughout the building will enjoy a story at some point during the day. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favorite book character.

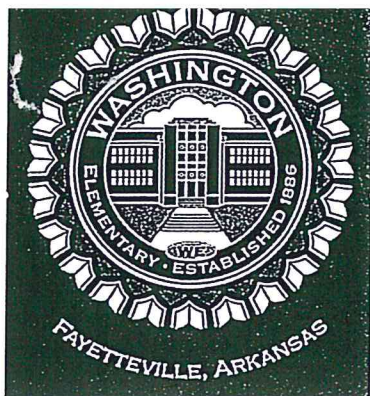
The Razorback Athletes will be at our morning assembly on March 13th to draw the names of the students that will attend the Bud Walton field trip, and the Grand Prize winner.

The Spring Scholastic book fair is scheduled to arrive Thursday, March 7. I need volunteers to help set it up! I plan to begin around noon.

I also need volunteers for the Preview Day on Friday, March 8th---all day. I will have my regular scheduled classes that day but also every class from school will come in for a 15 minute interval to create their wish list.

If you would like to help out, please contact Danielle Champagne 445-1073, or [danielle.champagne@fayar.net](mailto:danielle.champagne@fayar.net)





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## Attend Today- Achieve Tomorrow

### Helpful Tips for Awesome Attendance

Remind your child that school is their first and most important job! Tardies and early release times can count as "parts of days."

Communicate the importance of regular school attendance to your child so they are hearing the same thing we are saying at school.

If your child has a doctor/dentist appointment, they can still get credit for a full day if they attend at least some of the day. You can bring them before or after their appointment with the note from the doctor.

If your child is running a fever, vomiting, or has diarrhea, they need to be kept home. If they are symptom free for 24 hours, please send them to school!

#### Do the Math:

K-12 = 13 years of school

Missing just 1.5 days per month X 9 months in a year = 13.5 days

13.5 days X 13 years = 175.5 days

Almost 1 whole year of school

Send a  
note or call the  
office  
every time your  
child is  
absent.  
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Chronic  
Absences

#### 18 or More Days Per Year

Excused and unexcused absences represent lost time in the classroom and lost opportunities to learn.

Warning

#### 10-17 Days Per Year

Students who are absent an average of 15 days a year miss a year's worth of school before their senior year.

Good  
Attendance

#### 9 or Fewer Absences Per Year

Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.

