

# Grand Prairie Gazette



February 12, 2010

## HOME OF THE WILDCATS

### At A Glance

#### February 2010

- 
- 15<sup>th</sup> No School – Presidents Day
  - 18<sup>th</sup> Market Day Pick Up  
4:45-5:30 p.m.
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> Spring Fundraiser Kick off
  - 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Spirit items for sales (during lunch)

### Notes from the Office

Mrs. Palmer is on the watch for good behavior. She watches random videos of the bus rides to and from school. She rewards good behavior with a lunch pass to sit at another table with your friends. So be on your best behavior!

### COLD IS A RELATIVE THING

- 65 ABOVE ZERO:
  - \* Floridians turn on the heat.
  - \* People in Illinois plant gardens.
- 60 ABOVE ZERO:
  - \* Californians shiver uncontrollably....
  - \* People in Illinois sunbathe.
- 50 ABOVE ZERO:
  - \* Italian & English cars won't start.
  - \* People in Illinois drive with the windows down
- 40 ABOVE ZERO:
  - \* Georgians do coats, thermal underwear, gloves, and wool hats.
  - \* People in Illinois throw on a flannel shirt.
- 35 ABOVE ZERO:
  - \* New York landlords finally turn up the heat.
  - \* People in Illinois have the last cookout before it gets cold.
- 20 ABOVE ZERO:
  - \* People in Miami all hibernate.
  - \* People in Illinois close the windows.
- ZERO:
  - \* Californians fly away to Mexico.
  - \* People in Illinois get out their winter coats.
- 10 BELOW ZERO:
  - \* Hollywood disintegrates.
  - \* The Girl Scouts in Illinois are selling cookies door to door.
- 20 BELOW ZERO:
  - \* Washington DC runs out of hot air.
  - \* People in Illinois let the dogs sleep indoors.
- 30 BELOW ZERO:
  - \* Santa Claus abandons the North Pole.
  - \* Folks in Illinois get upset because they can't start the snowmobile.
- 40 BELOW ZERO:
  - \* ALL atomic motion stops.
  - \* People in Illinois start saying: "Cold enough for ya?"
- 50 BELOW ZERO:
  - \* All is frozen.
  - \* Illinois public schools will open 2 hours late.





# PTO NEWS

## Spring Fundraiser

**The spring fundraiser this year is Yankee Candles; packets will come home on Monday February 22 and need to be returned by Monday March 22.  
Pick up date is Monday April 12 from 4:30-6:30  
Thanks for your support!**



**The PTO will be selling spirit items on the last Thursday and Friday of every month. The sale will take place during all lunch periods. The students can purchase spirit items such as paw pens, pencils, erasers, sharpeners, folders and more. The prices range from \$ .25 - 1.75. This month's sale will be on Thursday Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>**

## Box Tops For Education

**Don't forget to send in your BOX TOP's. Please put your child's name and teacher's name on the envelope. Remember the last day to turn them in is February 19<sup>th</sup>. Also, sign up or sign in at [www.btfе.com/adore](http://www.btfе.com/adore) for a chance to win box tops for our school. Thanks for your support**



# School News

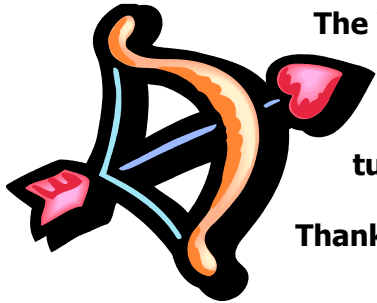
## Physical Requirements

**Physicals for 6<sup>th</sup> grade must be dated after August 25, 2009.**

All students entering the 6th grade in the fall must submit a physical on an Illinois Child Exam form dated after **8/25/09**. It should include all the required immunizations.

Your student's junior high school must have a copy of the completed physical with immunizations before your child enters 6th grade in the fall. This is a District 202 and Illinois Department of Public Health requirement. Children with incomplete records will be excluded from school.

Please make your doctors' appointments early. Doctor's offices are very busy in the summer months with school physicals and it may be difficult to get an appointment.



The Will County Health Department is also available for school physicals, immunizations, and dental exams. Their phone number is 815-727-8670 for physical exams and 815-774-7300 for dental exams. They are located at 1106 Neal Avenue in Joliet. (Take I-80 East to Richards Street South and turn left on Ella Avenue and then right on Neal.)

Thank you for your attention to this state requirement.

## Spring Choir and Band dates

March 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Show

May 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. Multi-Cultural Fair- Choir will perform

May 5<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade DARE Graduation

May 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Band Concert at Timber Ridge



# Book -A- Rama!

Grand Prairie Family Literacy Committee invites you to join in our Book-a-Rama!

## **Needed: Donations of books!**

Bring in books for kids and parents. Books will be collected in each classroom.

**We are collecting books February 16<sup>th</sup> – March 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

*Each child in the school will then be able to choose  
new books to add to their home collections!*

The Book-A-Rama will be open during Parent-Teacher conferences  
for parents and students to choose books.

Students who are not able to come during conferences will choose books the following week at school.

*The number of books for each child depends on how many books are donated; so*

**dig through those bookshelves and donate today!**

