Hello Everyone,

I hope spring break was enjoyable for you and you were able to spend time with family and friends. This time of year gets us thinking about upcoming year end events. Below are two school events we are looking forward to:

Friday, May 9th 6-8 PM, Festival of Traditions and Heritage--Stoner Prairie

Thursday, May 22 K Visitation Night (2) sessions, at 5:00PM and 6:00PM

**Parent Input For 2014-2015 Class Placement**

Very shortly we will begin the placement process for the 2014-15 school year, a parent input form is available in the office for any family wanting to provide additional information that school many not already have to be considered in the placement process. If you are not able to get to school you can request a form be sent home with each child by contacting the office at 845-4200. When we make classroom placements our goal is to make the best learning environment for all learners. To make this decision we consider the following factors: leaders, followers, boy:girl ratios, academic performance, educational needs, and personalities. We cannot guarantee any placement and we use this information in conjunction with the relevant information we already know at school.

**Kindergarten Visitation Night**

We will be meeting with our incoming K families on Thursday, May 22. There will be two sessions; one at 5:00 PM and one session at 6:00 PM. Parents will be notified by letter as to which session they should attend. During this time families will get school information and go on a school tour. Kids will go into the classroom to experience a part of a Kindergarten day. If you know of someone that has just moved to the area please have them contact our office at 845-4200 to start the registration process.

**Last Day Of School**

Reminder: Due to the number of inclement weather days this year, **the last day of school will be Thursday, June 12, 2014.** We will dismiss school at 12:20 p.m.

**Recordatorio:** Debido al número de días escolares cancelados por razones del clima, el último día de clases será el jueves, 12 de junio de 2014. El horario de salida está a continuación:

- **Escuelas primarias – 12:20 de la tarde**
Volunteer Appreciation

THANK YOU!  THANK YOU!  THANK YOU!

Stoner Prairie Room Parent Volunteers: Thank you to all the wonderful Room Parents who volunteered their time and energy making class parties a fun activity this year. This is my final year organizing Stoner Prairie Room Parents, but I look forward to seeing many of you at the numerous events that Stoner Prairie coordinates during the 2014-2015 school year.

Stacey Shorter
Stoner Prairie Room Parent Coordinator (2010-2014)

Spanish Classes at Stoner Prairie

Futura Language Professionals provide Spanish instruction to interested students before school on late start Mondays during the 2014-2015 school year. Futura is now accepting registrations. This program incorporates songs, games and cultural activities that make learning Spanish fun.

Registration forms for this optional activity will be sent home with your child soon. Bussing is not provided.

Cost is $235 for 20 weeks of instruction with an early bird discount when registering before June 1.

Register online at www.futuraadventures.com

Questions? Call 262-719-9332

Pink Lids

June 6, 2014 will be the last call for PINK LIDS. That includes both lids from Yoplait yogurt and cut-outs from other products.

PINK may be sent to the lunchroom. Our count should total in the HUNDREDS! Thank you for saving lids to save lives.

Are you moving this summer?

If you know that you will be moving this summer, please call Ms. Perez in our school office at 845-4206 to notify her of your new address. This will help us send your student records to your new school and will ensure a good start to the 2014-2015 school year.
Kids’ Choice Book Club:

Is an opportunity for 5th graders to read and discuss 5 books in 5 weeks! This year the books, which were all published in 2013, included: Beholding Bee by Fusco, Hold Fast by Balliett, Navigating Early by Vanderpool, The Real Boy by Ursu, and The Water Castle by Blakemore.

Congratulations to the enthusiastic students who took on the challenge of reading a 300-400 page book each week for 5 weeks: Michaela Anderson, Surya Blasiole, Abby Chase, Abby Evans, Amy Gonzalez, Eric Hall, Arianna Jordan, Maddie Kruger, Anne Lawrence, Kylie Magnus, Emma Neumann, Hailey Rothwell, Andreas Scocos, William Shoenbill, Katie Trias, and Kate Valitchka.
Yahara

Yahara River Writers Anthology Project, sponsored by GDCTAG, is a writing and cartooning contest for students in grades 5-8. Miguel Villapando’s poem, “My Uncle in Heaven” and Abby Chases’s story, “The Lake” were selected as part of the Top Ten in the VASD to be judged by the GDCTAG. Abby’s story was given the number 2 award and she will participate in a writers’ workshop celebration in May at the UW-Madison. Her entry will be in the GDCTAG anthology.

All entrees will be published in the Verona Writers Anthology and each writer will receive a copy of the anthology.

Abby and Miguel
Yahara River Writers Anthology Project
Award Winners

Math Meet
This year Verona is hosting the Greater Dane County (GDCTAG) multi-district math meet that will include the Middleton and Sun Prairie school districts. We were fortunate to have Mr. Kent Strayer organize this event for grades 5/6 on April 15th and grades 7/8 on April 22nd at the Fitchburg Community Center.

Representing VASD from SP for the grades 5/6 math meet were: Abby Chase, Surya Blasiole, Kylie Magnus, Jackson Puent and Hailey Rothwell. Thank you to Ms. Julie Rothwell for her help with practices. The students have been practicing daily and we wish them the best!
Our sincere appreciation to Ms. Kira Steiner and Ms. Ann Edmunds for being Tournament Proctors and chaperones, and to Mr. Kent Strayer, their math coach and volunteer extraordinaire!

College for Kids
This is a summer experience at the UW-Madison for students who have an interest in learning about science, literacy, technology, photography, and/or math through a college campus experience. The students who will be participating from SP are: Abby Chase, Eric Hall, Grant Kilgore, Hailey Rothwell, Jackson Standiford, Trey Standiford, Luna Thao, Katie Trias and Ben Wellnitz.

Spring MAP Testing
Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) is an assessment that the district requires for all students in grades 3-5 during the fall, winter and spring. Our final testing will be during the week of May 12th, with more information coming home from classroom teachers. This computer-based assessment measures a student’s general knowledge in the areas of reading and math. More information can be found on our district website.

The best preparation for this test is a good nights sleep, breakfast and your child’s desire to try their best. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Farnan, Learning Resource Coordinator, at 845-4287 or janet.farnan@verona.k12.wi.us.

Learning Resource News

Math 24
This is a game that fosters mental math ability, basic math facts, problem solving and patterning in math. On March 13th several Stoner Prairie 4th and 5th graders participated in the Greater Dane County Talented and Gifted (GDCTAG) multi-district Math 24 tournament at the UW-Madison Union South. Those participating in 4th grade were Conor Bruce, Livia Edmunds, Erica Kelley, Karina Meyers, Max Steiner and Tommy VanHandel. Karina Meyers won the 1st place trophy and a ribbon for the most points for VASC 4th graders. Livia Edmunds won the 5th place trophy.

Representing the 5th grade at SP were Keon Johnson, Gunnar Oakley, Jackson Puent and Andreas Scocos.
Celebrate the Arts!
Thank you to our school volunteers!
STONER PRAIRIE FIELD DAY AND FAMILY PICNIC

Stoner Prairie will be hosting our 6th Annual Field Day and Family Picnic on Wednesday, May 28 (May 29 is our rain date). Field Day will include outside student activities coordinated by Ms. Thronson, the physical education teacher. Parents who would like to help supervise or assist with the outdoor games and activities as part of Field Day are encouraged to call Ms. Thronson (845-4248) directly or Julie Rothwell (271-9113). We appreciate any parent volunteer help on May 28.

All families are invited to the Family Picnic on Wednesday, May 28. Families are welcome to watch the Field Day activities or can help volunteer to assist (see contacts above) and are invited to bring extended family members. Please contact Ms. Schlitz (845-4228) if your family needs transportation assistance on May 28. We ask that parents do not take students home at the conclusion of Field Day or the Family Picnic as we have important end-of-the-year school tasks that students will be completing before or after the outdoor activities on May 28.

The Field Day and Family Picnic activities will help our students, staff and families build community and celebrate the students of Stoner Prairie. We hope that you can join us on Wednesday, May 28 for these fun activities. A schedule of the events for May 28 is listed below:

- K-2 & PALS 1-3 Field Day 9:00-10:30
- K-2 & PALS 1-3 Family Picnic- 10:45-11:45
- 3rd-5th Grade Family Picnic- 11:30-12:30
- 3rd-5th Grade Field Day- 12:30-2:00

Stoner Prairie Elementary School invites your family to join us for the Family Picnic on May 28.

Please pre-order and pre-pay for your family’s meals by Wednesday, May 14 if you plan to attend the Family Picnic. The menu will include hot dogs (all beef), potato salad, carrot sticks, cantaloupe, cookies, baked chips and milk. You only need to pay for the meals of family members who do not attend Stoner Prairie as lunches for students will be paid from their school lunch account. Each adult meal is $2.85 and each student meal is $2.85. Checks may be made payable to Child Nutrition Services, and no refunds will be provided for meals not used. **Please return this form by Wednesday, May 14.**

This is the number of meals my family wishes to pre-order for the Family Picnic. **Please do not include the meals for your child(ren) who attends Stoner Prairie.**

I have included the lunch payment **($2.85 for adult, ($2.85) for children)** for the additional meals that my family is ordering.

Parent Name: __________________________ Phone Number: __________________________

Student’s Name: __________________________ Student’s Teacher: __________________________

Thank you for returning this lunch pre-order form and payment to the Stoner Prairie office by Wednesday, May 14. SEE YOU ON MAY 28!
DÍA DE DIVERSIÓN/JUEGOS Y COMIDA FAMILIAR
AL AIRE LIBRE/PICNIC EN STONER PRAIRIE

Stoner Prairie patrocinará el sexto Día de Diversión/Juegos y Comida Familiar al Aire Libre anual el día miércoles, 28 de mayo (la fecha alternativa en caso de que llueva será el 29 de mayo). El Día de Diversión/Juegos incluirá actividades afuera coordinadas por la Sra. Thronson, nuestra maestra de educación física. Los padres/tutores que están interesados en supervisar o ayudar con los juegos y actividades durante el Día de Diversión deben llamar a la Sra. Thronson directamente al 845-4248 o a Julie Rothwell al 271-9113. Apreciamos cualquier ayuda de los padres/tutores el 28 de mayo.

Todas las familias de Stoner Prairie están invitadas a la Comida Familiar al Aire Libre/picnic el día miércoles, 28 de mayo. Son bienvenidos venir a ver las actividades del Día de Diversión u ofrecer su tiempo como voluntarios para ayudar con los juegos/actividades. Los parientes lejanos/familia extendida también están invitados a la Comida Familiar al Aire Libre/picnic. Por favor llame a la Sra. Schlitz al 845-4228 si su familia requiere de transporte para poder participar en los eventos del 28 de mayo. Pedimos a los padres que no lleven sus hijos a casa después de participar en el Día de Diversión/Juegos y Comida Familiar al Aire Libre, ya que los estudiantes completarán unas tareas importantes para el final del año escolar antes y después de las actividades afuera.

Las actividades del Día de Diversión/Juegos y Comida Familiar al Aire Libre ayudarán a los estudiantes, el personal y las familias fomentar una comunidad escolar y celebrar los alumnos de la Escuela Primaria Stoner Prairie. Esperamos que puedan venir a disfrutar las actividades con nosotros el miércoles, 28 de mayo. El horario de los eventos para el 28 de mayo está a continuación:

Grados Kindergarten-2º y PALS 1º - 3º - Día de Diversión de 9:00 - 10:30 de la mañana
Grados Kindergarten-2º y PALS 1º - 3º - Comida Familiar al Aire Libre - 10:45 - 11:45 de la mañana
3º -5º Grados - Comida Familiar al Aire Libre - 11:30 de la mañana - 12:30 de la tarde
3º -5º Grados - Día de Diversión - 12:30 - 2:00 de la tarde

La Escuela Primaria Stoner Prairie les invita a usted y su familiar a una Comida Familiar al Aire Libre el 28 de mayo. Por favor haga su pedido y pague la comida de su familia a más tardar el miércoles, 14 de mayo si planean asistir/participar en el picnic. Habrá perros calientes (carne de res), ensalada de papas, zanahorias, melón, galletas, papitas fritas y leche. Solo es necesario pagar la comida para los miembros de la familia que no asisten Stoner Prairie, ya que el pago para la comida de los estudiantes saldrá de su cuenta de comidas escolares. Cada comida para adultos y para los niños cuesta $2.85 dólares. Debe hacer su cheque personal al nombre de Child Nutrition Services. No habrá reembolso de pagos si luego no puede participar en el evento. Por favor devuelva este formulario a más tardar el miércoles, 14 de mayo.

____________ es el número de comidas que deseo pedir para la Comida Familiar al Aire Libre.

Por favor no incluya las comidas de los estudiantes que asisten Stoner Prairie.

____________ He incluido el pago para las comidas que he pedido para mi familia.

($2.85 dólares por adulto y $2.85 dólares por niño)

Nombre del padre/madre/tutore  Teléfono

Nombre del estudiante  Maestro(a)

Gracias por devolver este formulario para pedir el almuerzo y su pago correspondiente a la oficina de Stoner Prairie a más tardar el miércoles, 14 de mayo. ¡NOS VEREMOS EL 28 DE MAYO!
Fitchburg Public Library Children’s Events

May 8: Storytime for Families @ 6:00 p.m.
Join us for silly stories and fun crafts! Your whole family is welcome!

May 9: Lego Club @ 4:00 p.m.
Bring your imagination and building skills and we’ll provide the LEGOs!

May 14: Pecícula para familias: ¡en español! (Family Movie in Spanish!) @ 6:00 p.m
Ven a la biblioteca para ver una película para toda la familia. (Come to the library to see a movie for the whole family. Movie will be shown in Spanish.)

May 16: Guys Read Kickoff @ 4:00 p.m.

May 17: Kids Movie, “The Jungle Book” @ 3:00 p.m.
Rated G, 78 minutes.

May 20: R.E.A.D. to a Dog 5:30—7:00 p.m. (sign-up required)
Reading to a dog is a wonderful way to build reading skills and confidence.
Independent readers in grades K-5 can sign-up for a 20 minute spot to sit down and read to a registered therapy animal. Call 608-729-1762 or stop by the Youth Services desk.

May 21: Mother Daughter Book Club (grades 3-6) @ 7:00 p.m.
We will be discussing "Love, Ruby Lavender" by Deborah Wiles. Books are available for check-out at the Youth Services desk.

May 23: Lego Club @ 4:00 p.m.
Bring your imagination and building skills and we’ll provide the LEGOs!

May 25 & 26: LIBRARY CLOSED

Mark your calendars!
Summer Reading Program:
June 14—August 8

Hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9am-9pm
Fri-Sat: 10am-6pm
Sun: 1pm-5pm

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