

THE SPOTTED SCOOP



March 2026



CHANGING WEATHER

Our playground gets super muddy this time of year! I ask children to please wear boots and sometimes even snow pants to protect their clothes from the mud as all the snow melts in the spring. Despite my best efforts it is not uncommon for a child to return from recess covered in mud. I highly recommend that all students have at least one change of clean school uniform clothes in their backpack or cubby at all times to change into in the event of a tumble into the mud, spilled yogurt at lunch time, or getting their clothes wet while cleaning out their paint cups or the myriad of other reasons a child might need to change their clothes during the school day.

Please keep sending snow pants and boots through to the end of March. ☺

CLASS DONATIONS

Spotted Class could use some donations of items to support our upcoming culminating event.

- Clear page protectors
- Pony beads for arts and scraps

MARCH IS READING MONTH!!!

CSA students will be delving into many fun reading activities for March is Reading Month! They will be participating in pajama/Read-In day, completing a Fairy/Folk tale book bracket, door decorations, starting our Fairy Tale unit and more! We are also asking for parents to come in to be guest readers. Please see email for a sign-up genius of appointment times for mystery readers.

MARCH SPIRIT WEAR DAYS

Monday, March 2nd - Dress up with Dr Seuss shirts, outfits or accessories.

Friday, March 6th - Fox in socks - Wear wacky socks

Friday, March 13th - Dress up as your favorite character day. Must be from a book. Please bring the book that your character is from to school so that we can show and tell about our favorite book characters. Please write your child's name in the book they bring to school.

Friday, March 20th - Readers are Leaders.

Dress up as what you want to be when you grow up.

Friday, March 27th - School wide read-in day- Spirit wear pajama day- Spotted students are welcome to wear their pj's to school along with their favorite blanket and stuffed animal. We will make a blanket fort to read in so students may also bring a large clean sheet in to help build our giant blanket fort with. The sheet will come home with your child the same day.

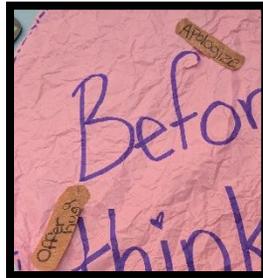
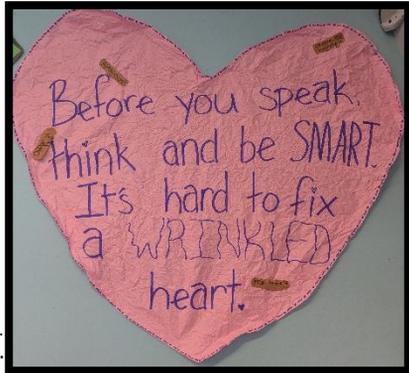


FEBRUARY IN SPOTTED CLASS

- *Expanded on our understanding of letters and their sounds to read and write CVC words.
 - *Completed an author study about Lois Ehlert
 - *Practiced blending sounds and letters together into words.
- *Learned about retelling a story in the same sequence as the original story.
 - *Retold *The Mitten* by Jan Brett in a play for their peers.
- *Celebrated 100 days of learning with activities that have students practicing counting to 100 by ones and tens as well as practice in identifying and writing numbers 0-100.
- *Started working more with teen numbers - building with ones and tens, writing, and identifying.
 - *Continued to work on writing capital and lowercase letters in handwriting.
- *Talked about what it means to be present and fully involved in a conversation.
 - *Kicked off our fairy tale unit with a mystery!
- *Learned important friendship skills such as kindness, and how to solve conflicts.

THE WRINKLED HEART

We re-read the book *Have You Filled a Bucket Today?* We also read the book "Friend Maker or Heart Breaker" Together we talked about things that hurt our feelings and came up with examples. With each example our heart became more and more wrinkled. We tried apologizing to it while we straightened out the wrinkles but the wrinkles were still there! We decided that everyone makes mistakes and that when we make mistakes that apologizing is just the first step. We all agreed that the secondary steps of making amends and changing the behavior are equally important as the apology. We've hung our class heart up alongside our class promise and class flag as a reminder all year long to choose kindness in our words and our actions each and every day.



COMING UP!!!

- Dr Seuss Spirit Wear Day - Monday, March 2nd
- Charyl's Short Story Contest Begins - Monday, March 2nd
- Parent Council Meeting - Monday, March 9th, 6:00PM @ CSA
- Spirit Wear Day - Dress up as favorite book character - Friday, March 13th
- Rollerama Party - Friday, March 13th 1-4PM
- St. Patrick's Day Spirit Wear - Tuesday, March 17th
- Spirit Wear Day - Dress up future job/career - Friday, March 20th
- Beluga Ball Preview Night - Friday, March 20th
- Beluga Ball Live Auction - Saturday, March 21st
- Volume Zoo - Wednesday, March 25th
- Report Cards Come Home - Tuesday, March 24th
- Read In/Pajama Day - Friday, March 27th
- Spring Break - Monday, March 30th - Friday, April 3rd
- Culminating Event - Tuesday, April 14th @ 2:00PM**
- Mother Son Dance - Friday, April 17th @ 6-8PM
- Daddy Daughter Dance - Saturday, April 18th @ 6-8PM
- No School for CSRs - Thursday, April 23rd and 24th**

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