

# Leprechaun Ledger



“Educating our students to reach their full potential”

## FEBRUARY DATES:



- ♣ February 1st, PTO Meeting, Media Center, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- ♣ February 2nd, 8:45 a.m., Student Council Mtg.
- ♣ February 10th, 5:30-8:00 p.m., **FAMILY FUN NIGHT.**
- ♣ February 14th, 6:00-7:00 p.m., School Board Mtg., Dakota Ridge.
- ♣ February 15th, 6:30 p.m., Title One reading students Book Party, room 102B.
- ♣ February 17th, 6:30-7:00 p.m., 1st grade Music Program, 7:30-8:00 p.m., 3rd grade Music Program.
- ♣ February 18th, All School Read Day.
- ♣ February 21st, **NO SCHOOL**, President’s Day.
- ♣ February 22nd, Spring Fundraiser Kickoff.
- ♣ February 22nd, 6:30-7:30 p.m., D.A.R.E. Parent Night.
- ♣ February 23rd, Wendy’s Night, 5-8 p.m.
- ♣ February 25th, **SPRING PICTURE DAY.**
- ♣ February 28th, 6:00-7:00 p.m., School Board Mtg., Dakota Ridge.



## After-School Program to Continue

At the beginning of January, we began an after-school program that offered academic, physical fitness, and other courses of interest for students for an hour after school on Mondays-Thursdays. This program, which offers free transportation, is a collaborative effort between Rosemount Elementary, District 196 Community Education and the Southwest YMCA. Over 200 applications were submitted and we needed to limit the involvement due to staffing and transportation challenges.

We will have a variety of exciting course offerings and add an additional bus route to accommodate more students in the spring. Within the next couple of weeks you will see a brochure listing the courses that will be offered and more information on registration.

On another note, Family Fun Night will take place on Thursday, February 10th. This will be a great opportunity to celebrate the RES community with food, fun and games. Hope to see you there.

Tom Idstrom



**Joe Waite**, a fifth grader, was this year's **champion** of the Rosemount Elementary National Geographic Geography Bee. In second place was **Tyler Graff**, a fourth grader. Congratulations to all the participants who demonstrated their great knowledge of our world!

## February is "I Love to Read" month

During this month we will encourage children to read more at home and in school. We will celebrate this theme with many activities at school.

1. Classrooms will transform their doors into bookcovers.
2. Bookmarks will be handed out in the Media Center that were designed by Rosemount Elementary students last year.
3. A Used Book sale will be held for the students in the library on February 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. All books will be sold for \$0.25. If you have any books to donate send them in to the library or office.
4. Students will participate in the "I Love to Read Button Contest".
5. A "Mystery Book" quote will be read every morning during announcements.
6. There will be an All School Read Day on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Each teacher will plan something special for their class.

Please celebrate "I love to read" month by reading to your child.



**Mrs. Knight**

**Media Specialist**

Some tips from the Nurse's office...

There have been several children absent from school due to illness.



**PLEASE** follow these guidelines regarding illness:

Temperature should be normal (below 100.0) 24 hours **BEFORE** returning to school.

If your child has vomited during the night or in the morning, keep them home that day. Keep home for 24 hours **AFTER** last vomiting episode.

Your child should remain at home for 24 hours **AFTER** the last episode of diarrhea.

Please keep your child home while you wait for throat culture results.

Any rash, of which you do not know the cause, should be checked by your child's pediatrician **BEFORE** sending to school.

Notify the School Nurse if your child develops a communicable disease.

**Call the attendance line when your child is home ill at 651-683-6969 voice mail box – #2102.**

The single most effective thing you can do to prevent the spread of disease is to wash your hands thoroughly and often!

The cold and flu are spread by either directly touching respiratory secretions on another person, such as in hand-shaking or through indirect contact with secretions in the environment, such as being sneezed on by the person next to you. **Cold weather does NOT cause colds or illness.** For this reason, all students are encouraged to go outside for recess. Please make sure your child is dressed (snowpants, boots, hat and mittens) for the weather every-day. We see more illness in the cold months because germs thrive on living in warm environments and we spend more time indoors than outdoors in the winter.

Since germs are transmitted through direct contact, **hand-washing is the single most effective thing an individual can do to prevent the spread of germs and to help stay healthy!**

**FOR THE PROTECTION OF OTHER CHILDREN AND OUR STAFF HERE AT SCHOOL, PLEASE FOLLOW THE ABOVE GUIDELINES.**

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me. You can reach me at 651-423-7692 Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 4:00.

Thank you,  
Mrs. Fifield  
Licensed School Nurse

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT . . .  
IS COMING . . .**

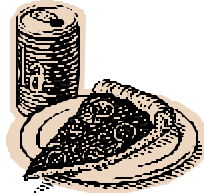
**Thursday, February 10th,  
5:30-8:00 p.m**

**BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY !!!**

Pizza dinner is \$2.00 per  
person or \$10.00 per  
family.

**HOPE TO SEE YOU  
THERE !**

Please remember  
to bring in pop, snacks,  
cakes, and  
silent auction items ahead of  
time. Thank you



**TITLE ONE READING STUDENTS  
BOOK PARTY**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, at 6:30 p.m.  
ROOM 102B.**

***BRING YOUR PARENTS !!!***



**SPRING FUNDRAISER 2005**

It's that time again RES... even with the winter snow and cold weather, the spring fundraiser is right around the corner. Again this year we will be selling Club's Choice pizza, cookie dough, candies, etc. We've had great success with this for the past 2 years, along with many positive comments.

Kick-off Day is Tuesday, February 22nd

Sales will run through March 8th.

This is a great opportunity for the students to help raise money for "extras" here at Rosemount Elementary. We will have awesome prizes again this year. Flyers will be coming home soon. Thanks in advance for your support and cooperation !

Rathy Duff, Spring Fundraiser Chair

**IMPORTANT SCHOOL PHONE NUMBERS:**

OFFICE: 651-423-7690,

ATTENDANCE LINE: 651-683-6969, Voicemail box # 2101,

NURSE: Jeanne Fifield, 651-423-7692,

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER: Susan Piepgras, 651-423-7634,

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST: Pam McCabe, 651-423-7680

**MUSIC PROGRAMS**

**Thursday, February 17, 2005**



First Grade will present "Bugz" from 6:30-7:00 p.m.

Third Grade will present "The Unity Tree" from  
7:30-8:00 p.m.

**Backpack Online!**



Don't forget to sign-up or update your service to Backpack Online to include RES. Just go to the school web page at (<http://district196.org/re>) and click on this image!

