

*Our mission is to improve student learning.*

## **Principal's Pen:**

Dear Parkway Families,

We are celebrating our awesome Parkway families the first week of February with Family Appreciation Week. Melanie Stellmon, our parent coordinator, has some activities planned, including a Monday Muffins event from 7:40-8:40 AM. We would love to see you here!

Parkway is the fantastic school it is because of our healthy parent support. Please remember to be involved in your kids' academic lives by talking to them about their day, and continuing to emphasize the importance of school. Thank you!

**Eric Price,**  
Principal

*"It's a great day to be a  
Parkway Panther!"*

## **From the Library: A/R Points Bike Contest**

The Masons here in Clarkston donate two beautiful new bikes to Parkway every year. Students earn points toward winning one of these bikes by amassing Accelerated Reader points. For every 10 AR points, they can put a raffle ticket in the drawing for the bike of their choice. The bikes are on display in the library and are awarded at our last assembly before summer. The winners ride their bikes home! So get working on those reading books!



Thank you Costco for treating our parents to cookies and bottled water for our Student of the Month Assemblies and our Monday Muffins Open House Feb. 1! We appreciate your generosity and partnership!

**February 2016**

## **Important Events:**

**Jan. 29 - Feb. 16** — World's Finest Chocolate Sale/ Fundraiser

**Feb. 1-5** — Celebrate the Family Week

**Feb. 2** — Spelling Bee, 9:00-10:00 AM

**Feb. 3** — Breakfast with Families, 8:00-8:30 AM

**Feb. 3** — 3rd and 4th Grade Concert, 7:00 PM

**Feb. 4** — Popcorn and Games in the Cafeteria, 4:30-5:30 PM

**Feb. 4** — EVERY Thursday, "Good News Club," ages 5-12, Room 16, 3:00-4:30 PM

**Feb. 9** — Parent Council Meeting, 5:30 PM, Staff Lounge

**Feb. 12 & 26** — Popcorn Fridays!

**Feb. 26** — Student of the Month Assembly, 12:45 PM

**Mar. 2** — Read Across America! Dr. Seuss' Birthday

**Mar. 3** — School Carnival, 6:00-8:00 PM

**Mar. 7** — State assessments





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## March's Annual "Read Across America" - Coming Soon!

Read Across America is celebrated on March 2 in honor of Dr. Seuss' Birthday. Make an appointment to read with your kids' class!

### From the Parent Handbook:

#### *Student Release and Dismissal*

Please send a note or call the school early to inform your child's teacher or the office staff if your child is to change his/her daily routine. If we have not been notified and cannot reach you or an emergency contact person regarding a change of routine, your child will be sent home per the usual routine.

### From the Front Office:

#### **Parkway Office Hours:**

**7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**School Hours 8:40 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Phone: 1-(509)769 5561**

Our school office receives phone calls each day from parents asking to pass information on to students. Very often the message relates to after school plans – go home with grandma, ride the bus, what time is an activity over?, etc.

**To help minimize classroom interruptions, after school arrangements should be communicated to your child BEFORE they leave for school in the morning.**

**Remember if you are varying the way in which your child usually goes home, we must have a signed note from you.**

\*During the school day phone calls will not be put through to classrooms, except for emergency situations.

Thank you for helping us preserve valuable instructional time.

#### **From Amy in the Office:**

Parents, pink notices are being sent home with your child to inform you of the balance due on their lunch account. Please send the balance as soon as it is feasible. You can send money for future purchases as well. If you have any questions, call Amy.



### Thank You to Food Service

Our breakfast and lunch cooks, Lynne and Paula, work so hard to provide a delicious, nutritious breakfast and lunch for your students every day! When you see them, THANK them!

**Reminder:** Breakfast is served at school from 8:00-8:30am **only**. If you would like your child to eat breakfast with us at school, please be certain they are in the lunchroom before 8:30am.

### Box Top Drive / Campbell's Soup Labels Drive

February 8<sup>th</sup> thru February 13<sup>th</sup> - Bring in your Box Tops and Campbell's Soup labels. The class with the most, wins a class party!!



## Tidbits:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Costco/CHS Reading Program every Wednesday for 15 weeks! Thank you again, Costco Volunteers!
- Check out our Parkway website! Mr. Heinzerling works hard to keep it updated! It looks AWESOME!
- February 1-5 is Celebrate the Family Week! Have lunch any day with your student. Please fill out the form to let the office know in advance and ask for your student's lunch time.
- February 3 is Breakfast with Families, 8:00 to 8:30 AM. Fill out the form or call and reserve in ADVANCE.
- State Assessments start March 7. Make sure your students are ready for testing with good nutrition and a good night's sleep!



## Celebrate the Family Feb. 1-5!

Celebrate the Family Week takes place February 1-5 at Parkway Elementary. We invite Parkway families to join us in any and all of the following activities during the week

- Monday, February 1: Muffins Open House, 7:40-8:40 AM. Parents are invited to have a muffin and check out your student's classroom!
- Wednesday, February 3: Family Breakfast, 8:00-8:30 AM. Please let the office know in advance and come have breakfast with your child in the Parkway Cafeteria.
- Thursday, February 4: Popcorn and Games, 4:30 to 5:30 PM. Enjoy playing with your child and eating popcorn in the Parkway Cafeteria!
- Families are also encouraged to call the school (509-758-2553) and join their student for lunch in the cafeteria Monday through Friday. Let the school know which day and how many are coming.

## New News!

All students are invited to the after-school Good News Club at Parkway Elementary.  
When: Thursdays (beginning Feb. 4, 2016)  
Time: end of school 3:00-4:30  
Where: Room 16 (Mrs. Fincher's classroom)  
Sponsored by: Child Evangelism Fellowship and Tammany View Baptist Church  
Cost: It's FREE!

## New Student Council Members

- President---Brayden Woods
- Vice President---Trevor Green
- Secretary---Elise Flores
- Human Relations---Jessie Longtin, Asia Opresik, and Kayla Frei

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Make sure the office has your current phone information! You won't want to miss out on a THING!!