Greetings,

THANK YOU! Once again our Pennies for Patients fundraiser has been a huge success. Once again our kids were determined to beat our goal of \$6,000 and we did by raising, \$9,331.00. The generosity of this community is truly amazing. Once again, I'm getting my camping gear ready to camp out on the roof. :)

Conferences are coming up soon, please sign up to meet with your teacher to learn more about your child(ren)'s growth and learning. This is a great time to dialogue about learning styles, friendships, and behavior. Let me know if you'd like to meet with me at any time; I will be at conferences and available to talk.

Positive Behavior Tip - Focus on action and effort, not end product when praising kids. We want kids to believe work/effort leads to positive results. If we praise the end product often times we praise something that didn't take any real effort to produce giving kids a false sense of ability. Sometimes, students can really struggle emotionally when something doesn't come easily, they feel they aren't good at it. Instead of saying "I love that you are so talented", you could say "I love this, it looks like you worked really hard on this."

Take care,

Scott

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

02/14 Valentines Day - PTA providing treats for students
02/14 Grade 1 to The Works, 9:10-11:30am - bag lunch needed
02/17 Presidents Day - NO SCHOOL
02/18 Teacher Professional Day, 8am-Noon - NO SCHOOL
02/18 Parent-Teacher Conferences, Noon-8pm - NO SCHOOL
02/18 Winter Book Fair Open, Noon-7:30pm
02/20 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 4-8pm
02/20 Winter Book Fair Open, Noon-7:30pm
02/20 PTA Meeting, 6:30-8:30pm
02/27 4th Grade Band Information Night at Grandview

## WINTER BOOK FAIR IS COMING

Our February Book Fair is February 18th & 29th, open during conferences. Thanks for supporting it by volunteering and through your purchases. We are SO appreciative!! Our sales provide money to put new books into our Media Center.

If you are available to volunteer, please use this Sign-Up Genius link: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E45ADAA29A0F49-february</u>

4th Grade parents, these hours count towards Wolf Ridge.

Thank you for your help!! Debbie, Media Specialist

## FREE DENTAL CARE FEBRUARY 7 & 8, 2020

<u>Give Kids a Smile</u> is a free charitable dental event for kids (typically ages 3-18), brought to you by Minnesota Dental Association, the Minnesota Dental Foundation, and volunteer dental clinics state-wide. Because this program is focused on providing dental care to children who face barriers to accessing dental care, families will NOT be asked any eligibility questions

After January 1, parents can locate a participating clinic by visiting <u>www.mndental.org</u> or by calling United Way 2-1-1 (simply dial 2-1-1). You can then contact the clinic directly to schedule an appointment.