



# PARIS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2018


## *Where's Parry?*

Congratulations to Dayna H. in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade! She discovered Parry hiding in the Computer Lab by the book *The Christmas Box*. Be sure to be on the lookout for Parry's next hiding spot.



## Class of the Month Spotlight

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade



Fifth grade has been working hard since we returned from break! In math, we are working on multi-digit multiplication. Students are designing their own restaurant while practicing multiplication strategies. In writing, we have been diving into the Six Traits through reading picture books that go along with each trait, and making journal entries. In reading, we are using graphic organizers while highlighting elements such as cause and effect, main idea and key details, and problem and solution. In anticipation for our trip to First Stage to see a play, we have been reading "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane" by Kate DiCamillo as a class. This has sparked engaging discussion and has encouraged us to continue fostering our imaginations! Science has been packed with explorations and experiments about the web of life. We are currently conducting an experiment about decomposition where we are watching food decay over a period of days without refrigeration. It has been exciting (and a little bit smelly) to discover the best ways to preserve food without a refrigerator! Lastly, the month of February serves as a great reminder to spread kindness throughout our classroom and school as Valentine's Day approaches!

## **Counselor Connection**

We will be discussing many topics during the month of February. We kick off with *Start with Hello* the week of February 5th through the 9th. This is a program that teaches students how to be more socially inclusive and connect with each other. The next week is *Random Acts of Kindness* week, where we can discuss and participate in acts of kindness. We will also talk about honesty and the importance of Black History Month.

**Ms. Thomas**  
School Counselor

## DO YOU KNOW THIS STAFF PERSON?

1. I have two children.
2. I have been married for 30 years.
3. I used to teach in Salem.
4. I work part-time at Paris.
5. I love to run.

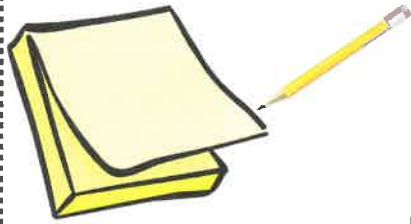


**Answer: Ms. Wilson**  
Special Education Teacher



# Literacy Corner

February 2018



## Writer's Club Update

We are looking forward to our first Writer's Club workshops to start next week Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. The stories are looking great and ready for final edits and illustrations! A big "Thank You" to the classroom teachers for getting us this far on our books!

The Writer's Club schedule is also on the school calendar for February. We will meet every Tuesday and Wednesday this month, and we will have our Saturday workshop on February the 17<sup>th</sup>. We can't wait to see all the stories come to life!

Remember illustration workshops are not mandatory for the students to be in the program. It is simply a worktime that allows for help with the illustration process. We will send home a note that confirms the time that we have on record that each child will be staying. Be sure to look for that note so that all of our schedules will be the same.



## Exploration Unit- 2018

### Safari Into Africa



Plans for our exploration unit into Africa are underway. We will depart on our expedition on February 27<sup>th</sup>. We are finalizing plans that will make our study meaningful and memorable for all of our students. If you have any insight or contacts about the African culture, please contact the school. Together we will make this a great journey for our kids! Look for exciting details about our adventures to come home soon!

## MAP TESTING

Students in grades 2-8 will be taking their Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessments during the first few weeks of February. The results will be used to guide assessment and ensure that each student is making progress in the areas of Reading and Math. Results of individual student performances will be discussed at conferences and then sent home. Please feel to contact the school with any questions about MAP.



Paris School Organization's Annual  
**SPAGHETTI SUPPER**  
RAFFLE, LIVE & SILENT AUCTION  
March 10th, 2018  
4:00-6:45 p.m.  
(Live auction begins at 7:15 p.m.)

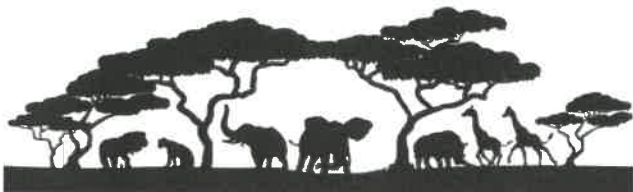
Adults & Students (9th-12th): \$8.00  
 Seniors & Students (K-8th): \$5.00 • Preschoolers: FREE  
 Dinner includes:  
 all-you-care-to-eat spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and beverage

## HELP US GET READY FOR OUR 63<sup>RD</sup> YEAR OF SPAGHETTI!

- PARIS SCHOOL FAMILIES are the most important ingredient for continued Spaghetti Supper Fundraising Event success! Your participation will help us welcome more than 1,000 guests for this exciting evening of food & fun with family, friends, & neighbors.
- Look for your family's event information packet and pre-sale tickets to come home soon—then choose from many ways to support our event!
- Please contact Beth LaBell at (262) 515-3175 or [labell5@yahoo.com](mailto:labell5@yahoo.com) for more details or to donate!



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## LITERACY UNIT 2018: AFRICA

The Paris School Organization is proud to sponsor K-8 the curriculum and educational experiences for Paris School's upcoming all-school study unit of Africa!

## PRESENTING A PREVIEW OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT!



A PORTION OF Panther Prowl 2017 and Spaghetti Supper 2018 proceeds will support the \$30,000 purchase and summer installation of new equipment scaled to meet the needs of Paris students and community youth of all abilities.

We're collecting gently used clothing, shoes, and outerwear to benefit local foster kids & families!



PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO SCHOOL ON:  
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>.**

All contributions benefit Kenosha's newest resale location where foster kids shop for free!

**FOSTERS reSTORE**  
Making New Again & Giving Back

# Enrichment News



## Southern Lakes Anthology

Last fall, many Paris students in grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> worked hard on entries for the Southern Lakes Anthology writing & drawing competition. Students were able to submit their work in the areas of Prose, Illustrated Writing, Poetry, Art, or Cartoon. Recently, more than 800 regional entries were judged and over 300 students were chosen for publication. Of the twenty-two entries submitted from Paris, six students will be published in the official Anthology book!! They will also attend a reception ceremony at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater coming up in May. The winners to represent Paris School are:

3<sup>rd</sup> gr: Miah Wong (art)

6<sup>th</sup> gr: Erling Berg (poetry)

7<sup>th</sup> gr: Paige Koenecke (art)

8<sup>th</sup> gr: Leah Binzel (art), Cayleb Correa (poetry), & Ilsa Lofty (art)

Congratulations winners & all writers & artists on all of your hard work!! We are so proud of you & how well you demonstrated Panther Pride. Congratulations!!





Social and Emotional Needs of the Gifted (SENG) Model

## Parent Discussion Group

We will read and discuss: *A Parent's Guide to Gifted Children*

**Thursdays - March 8th through April 19th, 2018** (No Class March 29)

**6:00—7:30 PM**

Oregon Area Senior Center  
219 Park Street, Oregon

*As a parent of a gifted child or children have you ever felt isolated? Uncertain? Unappreciated? Have you craved camaraderie, validation, strategies for success?*

Parenting a gifted child can be overwhelming at times. Finding others who share and understand the challenges is essential to your confidence as a parent. Our 6 week SENNG parent book study group will provide knowledge and understanding of giftedness as well as tools to support you and your gifted child.

To Register: <https://goo.gl/forms/vo3Wi3eN66c0klde2>

**Fee: \$30** \*Scholarships are available by request

Checks Payable to: **GDCALN** (*Greater Dane County Advanced Learner Network*).  
Oregon School District Attn: Amy Miller  
123 East Grove Street Oregon 53575

After you register, we will send a confirmation email and deliver a copy of *A Parent's Guide to Gifted Children*. This will allow you some time to read the first chapter of the book before our first meeting.

Questions: Amy Miller: alm@oregonsd.net or (608)835-4017  
Kitty Ver Kuilen: verkuilenk@gmail.com or (608)289-8807

**Please register by February 21st** so we have time to order the books.

***WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE GROUP MEETINGS!***