

# APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

## BURWELL ELEMENTARY

### Looking Ahead

Map Testing Grades 3-6	<b>April 4 &amp; 5</b>
Elementary Book Fair	<b>9-13</b>
Map Testing Grades 3-6	<b>April 10 &amp; 11</b>
Burwell Track Invite LHP Concession Stand	<b>April 13</b>
State Tests Grades 3-4	<b>April 18 &amp; 19</b>
State Tests Grades 5-6	<b>April 19 &amp; 26</b>
State Tests 5th G Science	<b>April 25</b>
<b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Music	<b>April 20</b>
Longhorn Pride Assembly	<b>April 27th</b>

### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

#### MAP/NSCAS TESTING

NSCAS testing will take place again in April for 3rd-6th grades. This can be a stressful time for students who are nervous about taking tests and/or want to do their best. Below are some tips to help your child be prepared.

\*Rest. Have your child in bed early the night before the test. The National Sleep Foundation recommends 9-11 hours of sleep for school aged children.

\*Eat healthy. Encourage your child to eat a balanced dinner the night before the test and a protein filled breakfast the morning of the test. Healthy foods such as eggs, peanut butter, whole grains, fruits and vegetables will keep blood sugar levels steady and keep your child's brain fueled during the test.

\*Look over the test. Help your child understand the importance of reviewing his/her answers. Before clicking "done" students should look over the test to make sure that they did not make any careless mistakes.

\*Arrive on time. Most tests are scheduled first thing in the morning when students are most alert.. Arriving late may cause your child additional stress, so plan ahead and have your child at school before school begins.

#### Burwell Elementary Schedule:

##### MAP Testing Grades 3-6

April 4-Math

April 5-Reading

April 10-Language Arts

April 11-Science

##### NSCAS State Testing

April 18-Math Session (3rd & 4th G)

April 19- Math Session (5th & 6th G)

April 24-English/Language Arts (3rd & 4th G)

April 26-English/Language Arts (5th & 6th G)

May 2-Science Session 1 (5th Grade only)

## Counselor's Corner

### April & May Elementary Newsletter

by Miss Tetschner

Happy Spring!!

The grades 2nd through 6th grade students want to thank Mrs. Michelle Sawyer and Mrs. Trisha Crandall from GLW Children's Council for their time to be guests in the Burwell Elementary classes and discuss programs called "Character All-Stars" and "Too Good for Drugs".

In Kindergarten we started a safety unit sponsored by Modern Woodman of America. During this safety unit we discussed germs and the proper way to wash our hands, fire safety, how to call 911, water safety, playground safety, and personal space.

The first graders are finishing their tooth packets and starting their books, "My First Book", donated by generous local businesses.

The fourth grade will also complete a book, "The Way to Go", donated by generous local businesses.

The last two months of the school year for the K-6th grade students will be learning and practicing several social skills, including the skill of group work, effective communication, listening vs hearing, and many more.

The 6th grade students will begin their transition into junior high school soon. We will have a questions box, "questions about junior high" for students to anonymously drop a question in the question box. We will spend much of our discussion around the questions they have and the differences between elementary and junior high. Students will also have the opportunity to complete a pre-registration form, visit with current high school students, take a tour, and meet some of their junior high teachers.

I have greatly enjoyed working with your children and I look forward to next school year.

### Backpack Notes

As we approach the end of the school year, lots of special events, field trips, etc. happen in the classrooms. Please make sure you are checking your child's backpack each day for notes about what is happening in the classroom.

### Elementary Field Day

The Elementary Field Day will be held on Monday, May 14th. Forms will be sent home with students on Friday, April 6th asking for class leaders. Please fill out and return to the school office as soon as possible.

# AR Danger Zone Dodgeball Tournament

Monday, March 12th the Burwell Elementary Library hosted the 3rd quarter AR goal party. This year marked a new event to celebrate those students who made their goal. Instead of doing a carnival like in the past, the kids got to participate in the inaugural "Danger Zone" Dodgeball Tournament. The afternoon was divided up into 2 sessions: K-2 and 3-6 with the 6th graders being group leaders and helpers for both sessions. The afternoon was a BIG success and lots of fun. Congratulations to those who made their goal!

The 4th quarter AR goal due date will be Thursday, May 10th at 4:00. The AR parade around the square will take place on Friday, May 11th.

K-2 Winners: Knockout Ninjas - Darren Stout, Teague Stout, Adyson Dilsaver, Jalise Busch, Axel Smith, Jasper Borgelt, Isannah Woods, Leo Franson and Brody Dawe

3-6 Winners: Knockout Ninjas - Wyatt Larsen, Hayes Plugge, Josiah Koenigsberg, Hildy Mann, Shayley Hunt, Mikayla William, Brody Jensen, Liv Chaffin and Hali Wamsley





## 4th Grade News

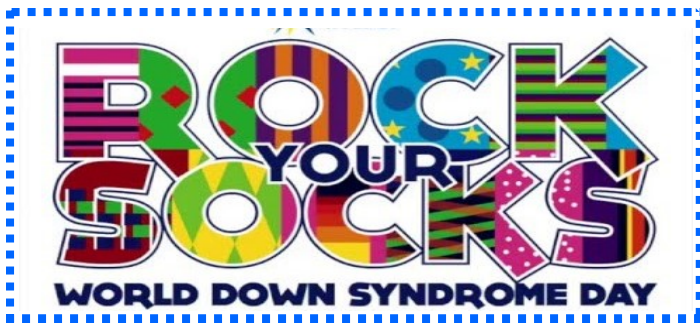
The Fourth grade class had their Agriculture in the classroom pen pal, Margie and Lee Lloyd from Brewster bring their goats so the children could hold them. Margie and Lee also brought goats milk, soap & lotion to share. The students enjoyed holding the goats and eating the ice cream!





# Kindergarten Round Up 2018

Burwell Elementary had 9 students attend Kindergarten Round up for the 2018-2019 school year. The kids enjoyed fun activities in the classroom while the parents met in the gym for a presentation. Any child that turns 5 before July 31, 2018 is eligible to start Kindergarten in August 2018. Please contact Burwell Elementary at 346-4431 if you would like to register your child for Kindergarten.





# March Longhorn Pride

In March, Burwell Elementary participated in a fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society called Pennies for Patients or Bring the Change; a coin drive and spirit week to help blood cancer patients and their families. Each day we collected a different coin (Monday-pennies, Tuesday-nickels, etc) and had a dress up day each day. Together as a school we collected a total of \$1,179.62! We are so proud of how generous each student and family were in donating to this good cause to help others in need. Students all received ice cream at the Longhorn pride assembly to thank them for participating in the fundraiser. The Longhorn Pride winners each won a coupon for a free ice cream cone at The HUB.



## March Longhorn Pride Winners



**Front row:** Brogan Dunbar, Landen Wegener, Tayten Ferris  
**Middle row:** Addyson Dilsaver, Carrie Rocheleau, Kadense Jeffres, Dane Svoboda, Colten Patrick, Clayton Wegener  
**Back row:** Hali Wamsley, Cody Burson, Katie Hughes, Shayley Hunt, Frank Green

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## April Birthdays

- April 2-Calah Archibeque
- April 3-Natalie Williams  
Brooke Williams
- April 5-Christian William
- April 6-Preston Krause
- April 7-Clayton Dilsaver
- April 8-Aiva Koenigsberg  
Mrs. Dawe
- April 9-Mrs. Sikes
- April 12-Jessica Dawe
- April 16-Brye Burnham
- April 24-Landon Critel
- April 30-Shay Skalsky



## Save your Tabs!



Pull for the House.



Many Hearts. One Home.

The Burwell 5th Grade has started to collect aluminum pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Those tabs, when recycled, help cover some of their operational costs. Thanks to schools, businesses, community organizations, and families, they have recycled approximately 35 million pop tabs last year. The money from those donations paid for their electric bill each month. You can bring your pop tabs to the Burwell Elementary office.

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