



February Events

Stone Ridge News

SMART BOARDS

During our February PTO meeting, our generous PTO allocated \$23,000 to our activity fund. Of the amount, \$15,000 will complete our Smart Boards throughout the school. I am thankful our PTO is generous with the projects our school feels will enhance our academics for years to come.

Our OETT training through the K 20 Center will continue formally until June, 2009. After that time, they will be 'on call' to assist us in authentic learning through technology.

The students love learning

through the lessons on the Smart Boards and using them. It truly has been a great addition to our school.

PROGRAMS AT STONE RIDGE:

Sometimes when I think how fast we are growing, I realize that many of you do not know about our programs. Here is an overview of some.

FACTS MASTERS is a program which promotes the automatic recall of math facts in addition, subtraction and multiplication. It is for second grade through fifth grade. It is helpful for a student to be able to recall these facts without

adding on their fingers or struggling to get the answers. As any skills program, it is the foundation for all future math functions.

ACCELERATED READING

AR, as it is commonly called, is a reading comprehension program. We are solidified our guidelines and if you have interested in viewing them, please contact your classroom teacher.

This program is now web-based so your child can read books at the public library and test at our school during the school day. It benefits all students to cultivate a love of reading. I hope all will receive a dog tag for reading.

Stone Ridge Elementary February

Special points of interest:

- ☺ February 13th: Principal for the Day and Valentine's Day Party in your classroom.
- ☺ February 16th: Professional Development Day for Teachers. School out for Students.
- ☺ February 20th: EL CHICO NIGHT. 5-10 May and Britton
- ☺ February 24th: Regional Spelling Bee: 7 o'clock
- ☺ February 25th: Fifth Grade Writing Assessment at 9, Breakfast at 8:30.
- ☺ February 27th: Wildcat Wake up with Kimberly Hulsey, Miss Piedmont 2009
- ☺ February 27th: OEA Assembly honoring Dr. Seuss 1:00 in the Gym.
- ☺ March 5th: Fourth Grade Concert 6 p.m.
- ☺ March 9-11th: Kiddie Clinic after school in gym
- ☺ March 12th: Tryouts for the TALENT SHOW at 3:30 p.m. in the gym.

Thank you to our Stone Ridge Parents

Tuesday, February 11 was a day to remember. Stone Ridge was in our Music room 3 times yesterday due to severe weather. I was thankful we had practiced our tornado drills twice on

Monday. Our students followed through like pros. What was so helpful was how supportive you all were. It was so helpful when you joined us in the music room rather than disrupting the

room or causing an unsafe situation. You were helpful in picking up your children and thinking of all the other children's safety. It meant so much to us to have your cooperation. Mrs. Dale