

♥ February 2018 ♥

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Report Cards Released Groundhog Day	3
4	5	6 Class Picture Day- <u>No</u> Uniforms Required! Terrific Kids @6:00	7	8 Bible Released Time	9 <u>100th</u> Day of School 3rd Grade Bowling	10
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17
18	19 President's Day	20 Book Fair Opens Family Night @3-6	21 Book Fair 8:00-2:30	22 Book Fair 8:00-2:30	23 Book Fair 8:00-2:30	24
25	26 Book Fair Closes @ 12	27	28		Buy your BPS yearbook for \$20.00! Due March 16th!	



Parents, remember to return the coupon indicating you have received our monthly newsletter. Your child will receive a treat and have their name entered in a drawing for \$5.00. Each monthly newsletter will have a coupon.

Bladenboro Primary School

Student's Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Home & School

CONNECTION[®]

Working Together for School Success

February 2018

Bladenboro Primary School
Deborah Guyton, Principal

SHORT NOTES

I love you because...

Family members can share what they love about each other with this writing activity. Have your youngster cut out paper hearts. Write love notes on them and hide for others to find. For example, maybe your child will put one under her sister's placemat that says, "I love you because you make me laugh."

On the road again

Carpooling with other parents is a great way to save time and money—and to get to know your youngster's classmates. When you drive, you'll probably hear them discuss school, sports, and friends. *Note:* Ask parents about booster seats—if a child uses one in his parents' car, he'll need one in yours, too.

Indoor "recess"—at home

When winter weather keeps your family inside, ask your child to show you what she does during indoor recess at school. She could teach you games, crafts, or songs she enjoys. Then, encourage her to come up with new ideas to try at home or in class.

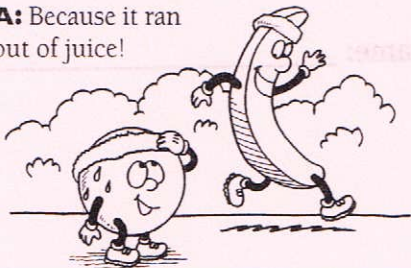
Worth quoting

"Life itself is the most wonderful fairy tale." *Hans Christian Andersen*

JUST FOR FUN

Q: Why did the orange lose the race?

A: Because it ran out of juice!



Olympic-sized learning

While the 2018 Winter Olympic Games are taking place thousands of miles away, your child can earn a "medal" in learning at home. Turn Olympic magic into educational gold with these suggestions.

Reading

Speed skating, ski jumping, luge...which Winter Olympics sports does your youngster enjoy watching? Head to the library together to pick out books about their history, the rules, and how the athletes train. *Idea:* Hold a "reading Olympics." Let family members count the books they read in February. At the end of the month, everyone can award medals to their three favorites.

Math

Your child will practice gathering, recording, and calculating data to find out which of his favorite countries wins the most medals. Encourage him to divide poster board into four columns: "Country," "Gold," "Silver," "Bronze." In column one, he can list teams he'd like

to follow. Every day, have him check a newspaper or *olympic.org* and add tally marks for each country's medals. After the Olympics end, he can total them up to see who got the most in each category.

Social studies

Where in the world do the Olympic athletes come from? To explore geography, help your youngster use a map to find countries represented in the Olympics. He might put star stickers on the countries on a wall map. Or let him print out a world map and make a dot on each competing country.♥



Decisions, decisions

Learning to make smaller decisions now will prepare your youngster to make bigger ones later. Here are ways to build her decision-making skills:

- Hearing you think through your choices gives your child an example to follow. You might say, "I'd like to visit Aunt Sue tonight, but then I might not finish this proposal for work. I'll go Saturday instead."
- When possible, give your youngster two to three specific options. That way, she can make a decision without feeling overwhelmed. *Example:* "Do you want to sweep or dust?" rather than "Which chore would you prefer to do?"♥

