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Building Report February 2018 BOE Meeting

Classroom Enhancement Program Grant Recipients: SES was excited to hear the news that members of our staff were recipients of two of the CEP grants. A summary of these grants are listed below. Thank you to the Sabetha PTO for making this opportunity available to our staff members in order to enhance our educational environment.

- **STEM/Mystery Science Activities:** Various activities/resources that will help support science instruction in the classroom. Requested by Mrs. Edelman, Mrs. Streett and Mrs. Werner for the 2nd grade classrooms
- **Sensory activities:** Tactile letters that can be handled and manipulated by students. Requested by Mrs. Hann, Kindergarten Teacher.

K-3 Bus Safety Program: On February 1, K-3 students attended a presentation discussing bus safety. Trooper Don and Buster visited SES to share information to students regarding the proper ways to board, ride, and exit a bus. It was very engaging and informative.



Parent/Teacher Conferences: Conferences were held on the evenings of February 5 and 7. Meetings were scheduled with select parents to discuss both academic and behavioral progress.

MTSS Implementation:

- As of the week of January 23, adjustments were made to student intervention groupings based on the review of winter screening data in the areas of reading and math. Progress monitoring was adjusted to reflect these changes as well.
- At the February 2nd PLC meeting, SES staff focused on 2nd quarter behavioral data to problem solve specific behavioral concerns.
- On January 31, Mrs. Heiman, Mrs. Herrmann, and myself travelled to Lansing to participate in a panel discussion on the implementation process of MTSS. This panel was held to provide information to the Lansing elementary BLT members who are currently beginning the process of restructuring their MTSS system.

January Site Council Meeting: The SES Site Council met on January 23, at 6:00 pm in the SES library. Click [here](#) for minutes to this meeting.

Bullying Prevention Assembly: On February 26, SES students will attend an assembly at SMS presented by the KC Wolf. The program, entitled “Don’t be a Bully – Be a Buddy” This is one of their newest programs and it focuses on treating everyone with Respect and Kindness despite our differences. The Kansas City Chiefs have provided education programs to students for 28 years.

The Great Kindness Challenge: The GKC was held the week of January 26-February 2. It was an exciting week that placed focus on a proactive and positive bullying prevention initiative aimed at improving school climate and increasing student engagement. The message we wanted to promote to students is that KINDNESS MATTERS. Below is a highlight of a number of activities that were a part of the week.

- **kindest Sabetha Citizen Essay Competition:** Students were given the opportunity to submit essays nominating individuals, couples or groups for the Kindest Sabetha Citizen. The judges had a difficult time deciding a winner as there were some wonderful essays and many deserving nominees. An assembly was held the morning of February 2nd to read the winning essays and publicly acknowledge the kindness the nominees have shown our SES students. It was very moving to hear the heartfelt sentiments that were shared.
 - K-1 Drawing: Emrie Niehues (Nominee: Ruth Oom)
 - Kindergarten: Taylor Georg (Nominee: Jacob Frey)
 - 1st Grade: Lucas Keim (Nominee: Jayne Snyder)
 - 2nd Grade: Anvay Bhatteja (Nominee: Mike and Ruth Oom)
 - 3rd Grade: Sydney Shafer (Nominee: Lana Parton)
 - 4th Grade: Wyatt Lierz (Nominee: John and Elaine Mowder)
 - 5th Grade: Morgan Toedman (Nominee: Sue Rokey)

- **The Kindness Chain:** Throughout the week, students added links to our Kindness Chain that represented a kind act they had done. The chain was very colorful and full by the end of the week.



- **Kindness Station:** Throughout the week, students had the opportunity to make Kindness Matters posters and bookmarks during morning recess at one of our Kindness Stations. Our front hallway has been decorated with some creative posters.

- **Door Decorating Competition:** Teachers and students decorated classroom doors or wall areas with a theme promoting kindness. They were extremely creative and made a powerful message. There were two separate divisions: Homeroom and Non Core/Special Services. Our winners were:

- Homeroom Division: Mrs. Plattner
- Homeroom Division Runner-Up: Ms. Massey
- Homeroom Division 3rd Place: Mrs. Garrett
- Non Core/Special Services: Mrs. Frey
- Non Core/Special Services: Mrs. Georg
- Non Core/Special Services 3rd Place: Mrs. Hasenkamp



- Spirit Days: Special Spirit Days were designated to encourage student engagement.
 - Monday – **Crazy for Kindness** (Crazy socks and hair)
 - Tuesday– **Let Kindness Shine** (Wear sparkles or neon)
 - Wednesday—**Dream of Kindness** (Wear pajamas)
 - Thursday—**Peace, Love and Kindness** (Wear tie-dye or 70s attire)
 - Friday -- **Kindness is the Bluejay Way** (Wear bluejayspirit attire)



UPCOMING EVENTS:
 February 14: Valentine Classroom Parties (2:15)
 February 15: 2nd Grade Music Program
 February 19: No School
 February 23: Preschool Applications Due
 February 26: All School Assembly (9:45 @SMS)