

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PARK

## APRIL WHAP

### PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Wow! It's April already. How did that happen? We have had a busy last month. Term 3 ended, we had a WONDERFUL drive through Reading Night, and a PHENOMENAL virtual Leadership Day. Our students have been working so hard to get ready for RISE (end of year) testing, which is right around the corner. Spring Break is coming up quickly (April 4-8) and then we only have 7 weeks left (6 for Kindergarten) of school!

Online registration for returning students is OPEN! Please [CLICK HERE](#) to begin the process. We would greatly appreciate you taking the time to register your students as soon as possible. We also want to thank you in advance for your donation!

[HERE](#) is the link to the Leadership Story for the month of April. It's a good one! I hope you will take the time to fill out [THIS FORM](#) afterwards so your student has a chance to win the book!

As you are looking at the calendar for the month, just a quick reminder that the Utah Food Bank Truck comes to Park once a month. They come with food for our families. You and/or your children are welcome to come to the cafeteria to grab what they've brought. This is FREE and such a great service for our school. Also, EVERY FRIDAY from 9:00 am to 10:00 am the Utah Food Bank Mobile Pantry will be at 1138 W 100 S in Spanish Fork to give out groceries for families in need. If you need help, both of these services are great!

If I can help in any way, please reach out to me!

Have a WONDERFUL month!

Happy April,

Mrs. Hughes



## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Counselor Corner; April

The Counselor Grade Level Lesson this month is focused on the picture book *Boy* by Phil Cummings. It is a story of a deaf boy who helps mediate a battle between a kingdom and a dragon, and it starts by the boy choosing to BE THE GOOD. We make an impact when we choose to be the good we want to see in the world; especially when lately it feels like there is less and less of it. I found an article entitled *How to Be the Good You Want to See in the World* by Scott Ninneman (found [here](#) )

This article really resonated with me. The author names 5 simple things we can do each day to BE THE GOOD.

1. Take a look inside- are you spreading positivity or negativity with your words and actions?!?
2. Set the example- be the example of choosing to BE THE GOOD. It starts with you!
3. Listen then act- we don't always ask for help and assistance when we need it. We need to listen carefully to our loved ones and "read between the lines" to determine how they can feel/hear our love and support. And it never hurts to ask "how can I help?"
4. Be generous- often we think that generosity is linked to money, but we don't have to have money to be generous. One of my favorite sayings is "Love is spelled T-I-M-E!"
5. Start where you are- this one is self-explanatory. Choose one thing you can do differently today to BE THE GOOD.

These suggestions reminded me of an experience I had a few weeks ago. I had a rough start to my morning and was feeling really crummy so I decided I would stop off at the gas station on my way to work for a Diet Coke (always a pick-me-up)! I placed my order at the drive thru window and pulled out my money to pay. When the attendant handed me my drink, and I handed her the money, she said "Your drink is paid for; have a nice day!". It sounds like such a simple thing, but it changed my whole day! Whoever that was who paid for my drink made an impact by choosing to be the good. And the impact continues because now I try to do the same thing at least a few times a month, hoping that I will be able to pay it forward. These little acts, to Be The Good, are how we will change the world for the better!



# UTAH FOOD BANK MOBILE PANTRY

If you need or know anyone in need of groceries, the Utah Food Bank Mobile Pantry is in Spanish Fork EVERY FRIDAY at 1138 W 100 S from 9 am to 10 am. Please pass the word along!

<https://www.utahfoodbank.org/programs/mobile-pantry/>

## BRIGHT IDEAS



**BRIGHT IDEAS  
SUMMER**

July 6-9 and 12-16, 2021  
8:00 am-Noon  
Larsen Elementary School  
\$150 per child

**Bright Ideas is for highly motivated students, interested in learning new things. Open to all students entering kindergarten through those entering seventh grade this fall.**

**Students will use creativity, critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, communication, and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) skills to learn more about the world around them.**

**REGISTRATION DUE: JUNE 1, 2021**  
Register online: at [nebo.revtrak.net](http://nebo.revtrak.net)  
Click "Nebo District Programs" then "Summer Bright Ideas"  
\$25 non-refundable deposit, balance due by June 15, 2021  
For more information email [angela.eckhardt@nebo.edu](mailto:angela.eckhardt@nebo.edu)

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OUT THE SURVEY BY CLICKING HERE.**

**LENDING LIBRARY**

The lending library is free to all and is filled with books you are welcome to take. Don't feel like you have to return the book if you loved it! We will restock periodically. If you'd like to donate books, feel free to place them inside. Thanks for joining our reading community! The location for our lending library is 250 E 400 N, Spanish Fork.

Go visit it today!

## **PARK SCHOOL STORE---- NOW OPEN!**

Please head over to <https://parkelementary.axomo.com/> to take a look at our Park Elementary School Store. Items are available for purchase now. There are many different styles to choose from. All items purchased may be shipped to your home or picked up at Namify in Springville at no extra charge. We can't wait to see our students decked out in Park apparel!

## **NETSMARTZ MONTHLY TIP FOR PARENTS**

Click [HERE](#) to enjoy simple tips to creating a more safe tech family. Learn about living a more balanced life, gaming safety, understanding news, managing social media, what you need to know about online predators and much more.



## **UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES**

- \* Monday, April 4- Friday, April 8- SPRING BREAK- NO SCHOOL
- \* Wednesday, April 13- 2nd Grade Field Trip
- \* Thursday, April 14- Graduation Pictures
- \* Tuesday, April 26- 3rd Grade Track Meet
- \* Thursday, April 28- 4th Grade Track Meet



