Arts Team Newsletter

Art	Art Integration
We are wrapping up our year of art making, and enjoying a few more days of our All School Art Show on display! Portfolios will come home with your student the week of May 11-15th.	

Music	Drama

Physical Education	Dance
The kids learned how to play Gaga Ball. This will be one of our activities during our A+ Arts Quest the last week of school.  **Many students are forgetting shoes. Please have them wear safe, athletic shoes!**	**We completed our Hip Hop unit for the year! We learned a ton of fun and challenging moves. Next up:** **K-2 Tap** **1st grade: Earth, Moon and Stars** **3rd grade: Native American Plays** **4-5: Getting ready for the concert! It will be "Supercalifragilisticexbialidocious"!** **PLEASE REMEMBER PROPER SHOES AND SOCKS!**

Also: if you are looking to get rid of an adult mini trampoline or indoor basketball hoop, or tap shoes that no longer fit, we would love to have them for school! Thanks for considering.	**The students are still loving the vibration plates!**

Library



Summer Reading with Siouxland Libraries

Reading Log

This year's Summer Reading Program theme is **Unearth a Story,** a dinosaur-filled adventure that invites readers to dig into great books all summer long.

The program runs **May 22 – August 14**.

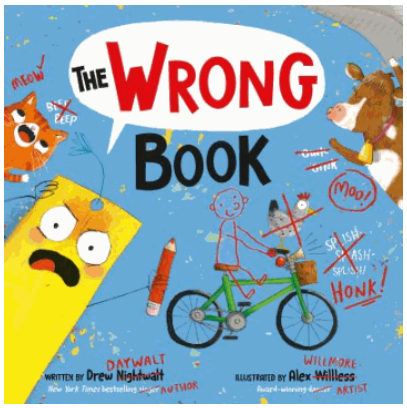
Students have several easy ways to participate:

- Pick up a printed reading log at the EFA+ Library or any Siouxland Library location.
- Print out a reading log at home.
- Log reading online: https://siouxlandlib.readsquared.com/
- Use the ReadSquared app for convenient tracking on the go.
- Visit any Siouxland Libraries location to claim prizes!

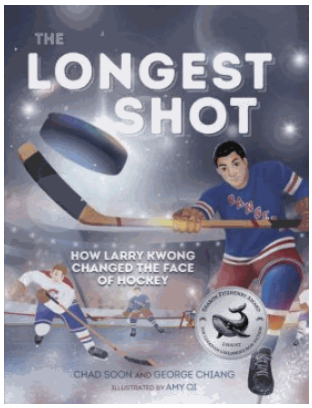
Visit the [EFA+ Library Website] this summer!
Read books and listen to stories.
❤️ Happy Reading!

Thank you for reading the SD Prairie books!
Our final total: **176 students finished!**
Visit the South Dakota Library Association for more details on this program.

The 2026 Winning Books…







K-1: *The Wrong Book*
2-3: *Wild Places*
4-5: *The Longest Shot*

Orchestra	Band
Dear Orchestra Families, Thank you for a fantastic year in orchestra! We can feel proud of everything the students accomplished this year! Learning a new instrument and new music skills, performing at concerts and a contest, and making music with friends. All valuable in building character and lifelong skills of self discipline, responsibility, and musicianship. I look	Hello Band Families, I truly enjoyed working with your young musicians this year in 5th grade band! In just 8 months of lessons, students progressed from learning how to safely open their cases and make their first sounds--to playing real music with independent parts! It has been so much fun to see their growth throughout the year and to get to know these

forward to seeing the students continue next year and beyond!

On May 1, the orchestra lessons will be done for the school year. At this time all school instruments need to stay at school and all personal instruments may be taken home. The folders and music are theirs to keep.

If your child would like to continue playing over the summer, here is the LINK to the Summer Orchestra Camp, June 2 - July 9, 8:30-9:30am, every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at Edison Middle School. The cost of the camp is $85. Students in financial need who may qualify for free/reduced lunch, can attend camp and receive scholarship assistance through Sioux Empire United Way Connecting Kids program. Students can receive up to $100 to cover the cost of registration. Eligible students may obtain a voucher from United Way by calling 605-336-2095. With these vouchers in hand, students can call the SFSD Community Education office at 605-367-4384 to register and indicate that they have a voucher they would like to use.

Private lessons are another great way to improve playing skills. Here is the LINK to area private instructors.

I've enjoyed making music with your students this year!
🎻Mrs. Bogue



tremendous kids! I look forward to seeing what big things they go on to do in the future!

May 1 was our last day of band lessons. All personal instruments can go home at this time and all school instruments need to be turned in. Folders and sheet music are theirs to keep. (Percussion students have 1 book to turn in.)

I encourage your students to SIGN UP FOR 6TH GRADE BAND next year! There are so many fun opportunities in middle school band---no matter which school your student will attend next year.

There are many opportunities for students to continue playing their band instruments over the summer. I highly recommend signing up for **Summer Youth Band,** or taking **private lessons.** (Click on the links for more info.) There are also several fun summer band camps in the area.

As always, please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I'm happy to help.

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