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Hello West Park Elementary Families!

There will be no school today, Friday, January 12 due to current weather and road conditions. Please remember, there will also be no school Monday, January 15 due to Martin Luther King, Jr./Idaho Human Rights Day. We hope everyone enjoys the long weekend! Stay safe and warm. We will see all of our little Wildcats on Tuesday, January 16!

Please see below for important dates and happenings headed our way.

Friday, January 12 – PAT BINGO Night Postponed!

- Due to the severe weather conditions forecasted for Friday, January 12 we regret to inform you that Bingo Night will be postponed for the safety and well-being of all participants.
- The decision to postpone the event was not made lightly, and we understand the disappointment it may cause. However, the safety of our community is our top priority.
- We are working with the 1912 Center to determine the future event.
- Thank you for your understanding!

Monday, January 15 – No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day / Idaho Human Rights Day

Winter Clothing

- Please be sure your child is coming to school dressed for the weather.
- We go outside for recess unless the “feels like temperature” is 10-degrees or lower.
- If you need any help with winter clothing, please email our counselor Jenni Hightower at hightowerj@msd281.org.
- Thanks!

Mid-Year Assessments

- Teachers and staff will be assessing students to determine their academic growth from when they started at the beginning of the year.
- This will give parents up to date and accurate information on report cards that will be sent home on January 31.

- On January 26 & 29 each grade level team will be meeting with the Title 1 teacher, Special Education teacher, Extended Learning teacher, English Second Language teacher, School Counselor, and myself to review the mid-year data and adjust instructional groups.
- These meetings are invaluable to our staff and a key component to our student academic growth each year.

Friday, January 26 – No School – Teacher Workday

Monday, January 29 – No School – Teacher Workday/Teacher Professional Development

Tuesday, January 30 – Start of 2nd Semester!

- Report cards for our first semester will be sent home this week.
- All grades will reflect expected student performance up to this point in the school year.
- Please do not hesitate to contact your classroom teacher with any questions.

Wednesday, February 7 – Polar Walk!

- Families are encouraged to walk to school on this date!
- Families unable to walk are invited to drop their students off at the U of I Rec Center to participate in a walking school bus!
- Students can arrive between 7:45am-7:55am.
- University students will then lead the walking school bus to WPE at 8:00am!
- Parents are invited to join the walking school bus!

Monday, February 19 – No School – Presidents' Day

Thursday, February 29 – Title I Math Night!

- SAVE THE DATE!
- We will be holding a special Title I Math Night full of food, fun, and math activities for the whole family!
- More details will be shared closer to the date.

West Park/Russell Spirit Wear!

- Click on the link below to order all of your WPE spirit gear!
- FYI... The online store will remain open throughout the year.

- Thank you to the West Park/Russell PAT and Moscow Apparel for creating this awesome online store!
- https://westparkrussell.spiritsale.com/?mibextid=Zxz2cZ&fbclid=IwAR1KqONc72pBnvu4EqQ10D_FpZWpzFPF6Ruije58XrjVrVYptuiwOfIF5ko

Communication

- Please be sure to check out our Facebook page and school website for regular updates!
- <https://www.facebook.com/West-Park-Elementary-School-1673846729595032>
- <https://westpark.ms281.org/>

Go Wildcats!

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