Greetings from the Kindergartners in Room 9! This Friday, March 2nd, is Read Across America Day. Take some time this weekend to re-read your favorite book and maybe even go to the public library and find a new favorite! The Abrahams Branch Library on 90th street holds their Read to a Dog program each Sunday at 4:00pm. If you have never been, I definitely recommend it! It would be a great way to celebrate Read Across America Day!

We have been very busy growing our brains in Kindergarten this year, and we have come so far! At the beginning of the school year, we didn’t know all our letters and sounds, and now we are reading books! In August, we couldn’t write all our letters, and now we are writing sentences and stories! What fun it is to see this amazing progress in some of Boyd’s youngest students.

As we end Third Quarter, we are learning about the properties of 2-dimensional shapes in math and working on our problem solving skills and math talk during Figure it Out Fridays. We just began a writing unit on non-fiction and are learning to distinguish facts from opinions. And of course we continue to practice our reading skills and strategies during Daily 5.

Now that the weather is beginning to change, be sure to take time to play outside every day! And don’t forget to READ, READ, READ!
Warm Heart Wednesdays!

Student: Ava Barton
Nominated by: Mrs. Sylvester 02/21/18

Ava is a new student at Boyd this year. When we found out a student was joining our class midyear, Ava went home and wrote a letter to welcome her to our school. She told the new student not to be nervous.

Seeing from a Child’s View

Our perceptions make a big difference in how we feel and act. When we feel that a place is dangerous, we will usually avoid going there if possible. When we sense that someone could hurt us, we try to protect ourselves. From an early age, children perceive who is warm and friendly and who is cold and distant. They crawl into laps of people who interact with them, hug them, and play with them. They run from aggressive, barking dogs and adults who yell. As children grow older, they still quickly sense where they are wanted and where they “get in the way.” How does your child perceive adults in your community? Does your child feel that adults take seriously the opinions and ideas of children? Does your child have opportunities to participate, serve, lead, and make decisions within your community? Does your child feel that your community is a good place for children and youth? Your child’s perceptions can tell you a lot about your community, the adults in your community, and what needs to happen so that children and youth feel their community values them. Your child’s perceptions are important barometers. Check them often. You need to accept your child’s perceptions, even though they may not be what you expect or hope they would be. Work to make the community a place that values its youth.

Three ways to improve your child’s perceptions of your community, and vice versa:

1. Attend a family community event together, such as an outdoor concert.
2. Take a community class on a topic such as art, exercise, or computers.
3. Invite a neighbor family to have a picnic with your family at one of your community parks.
Family Movie Night

Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory

Location: Boyd Gymnasium
★ Bring a blanket for floor seating
★ Chairs will also be available

Date/Time:
★ Friday, March 2nd
★ Doors open at 6:30 pm
★ Movie begins at 7:00 pm

Cost:
★ $2 per person when you RSVP by February 27th
★ $3 per person at the door

Concessions:
Willy Wonka candy and other concessions will be available for purchase
Cash only please

To RSVP...
1. Fill out the bottom portion of this flyer
2. Cut on the dotted line (keep the top for your reference)
3. Return it to school with your child by February 27th with payment
4. Receive a special "Golden Ticket" to redeem for entry at the door

RSVP for Family Movie Night!

Child's name: ________________________
Child's teacher: ____________________
Number of tickets: ______

★ RSVP form and payment due no later than February 27th ★