



Park Elementary News



MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2011



Most of the fall material, mulch, was delivered last Friday.

Playground Is Nearly Complete

THE NEW PLAYGROUND STRUCTURE IS NEARLY COMPLETE. WE ARE STILL ANTICIPATING AN OCT. 5 OPENING FOR THE PLAYGROUND. WE WILL ANNOUNCE TO STUDENTS IF THAT DATE HAS TO BE DELAYED. IF WE CAN, ON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 5 AT 8:00, WE WILL CUT THE RIBBON AND ALLOW STUDENTS ON THE NEW STRUCTURE FOR THE FIRST TIME. ALL FAMILIES ARE WELCOME TO

JOIN US. THE PICTURE IN THIS NEWSLETTER SHOW THE PROGRESS MADE THIS WEEK. THE STUDENTS HAVE BEEN FASCINATED WITH THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT AND WATCHING THE STRUCTURE TAKE SHAPE. PLAYGROUND IS INSTALLED. PLEASE WATCH THIS NEWSLETTER FOR TIME AND DATE

Excelling School Status

Park School recently achieved "excelling" school status for our students' performance in math and reading on last year's PAWS and growth assessments. All schools K-8 in Natrona County are rated in three subject areas. Schools receive one of three designations - Excelling, Unclassified, or Focus. The district uses this process to help schools show improvement. Park's scores show a steady upward trend in the areas of math and reading. We are proud of our students' accomplishments.



Most of the structure goes up by Wednesday afternoon.



There are two climbing walls



The tornados will be very popular.

October 5, 2:30 p.m. - Park will receive the Ellbogen Meritorious School Award All parents are invited to attend.

Park School Family Book Group Parents Needed

The Park School Family Book Group will meet for the first time Tuesday, October 25th at 6:30 in the M/B classroom. This is the 10th year for the group to meet!! We will be reading *UReturn of the Indian in the Cupboard* by Lynn Reid Banks. Copies will be available to check out this Friday after school by the office at our membership drive. Children wishing to join the group will need parent's permission.

What is the Park School Family Book Group?

Each month the group meets for about an hour to discuss the book we've all decided to read. WE take turns bringing treats and have a great time. We'll decide what day of the week works best at the October 25th meeting. Traditionally Tuesday has been the night, Come join us "book lovers" and join in the fun!

Found: Pair of student eyeglasses - black frame with black and white bows in a black Adidas case.



PAG openings exist for the following classrooms: McCleary/Berch, William/Beamer, McIntyre/Rush and. PAG meets on the third Monday at 7 p.m. Contact the office or your child's teachers to apply.

Parents, please enter the front door and sign in at the office when picking up your students after school. We have had several parents waiting by the north doors until students exit the building and then while the door is open, they come inside the building. This is an extremely dangerous practice, potentially allowing a stranger into the building at a very busy time of day when they might go undetected. We also ask that no parents wait for students by parking on 8th Street. It is much safer to have your child cross with our crossing guard at 8th Street and meet you in the 12/24 Club. No one should drive on 8th Street after 3:25 while the street is closed to through traffic. Please use the David Street exit from the 12/24 parking lot.



Book Fair Volunteers Needed

The Scholastic Book Fair, stocked with the newest titles, is arriving at the Park Library soon, and we need parent volunteers to help our fair succeed! The fair is scheduled for Oct. 17-Oct. 21. We need parent volunteers to help with setup, Family Night, and tear down. This event is the library's only fundraiser for the year and puts books into the hands of our students and their classrooms. Please see the sign-up sheet outside the library for dates and times you can help. Watch for more information coming out soon about this very fun fair! Please talk to Mrs. Shumate or Mrs. Smith in the library if you have any questions.