

UINTAH ELEMENTARY

February 27, 2012

Dates to remember:	Tuesday, February 28	Half Day Schedule SEP Conferences (1:15 – 7pm)
	Wednesday, February 29	Half Day Schedule SEP Conferences (1:15 – 7pm)
	Thursday, March 1	Half Day Schedule PTA Meeting 8:30am
	Friday, March 2	NO SCHOOL (Teacher Professional Development)



Principal's Message: Help Your Child Think About the Stories You Read Together

Nightly reading at home is an expectation for all Uintah students. This looks different in different households and with students of different ages. However, there are some strategies that will assist readers of all ages and abilities.

Your child is reading when he or she *says* the words on the page, *knows* what they mean and *understands* the story they tell. You can help your child if you:

Read part of a story without showing the pictures. Have your child close their eyes and imagine what something in the story looks like. Ask questions like, "The kids went on a merry-go-round. What colors do you think the horses were?" Or, "The kids just discovered the ancient Mayan ruins. What do you think they see?"

Look for words your child is not familiar with. When reading a story, point them out and help your child understand their meanings.

Ask your child questions about a story. Begin questions with *who*, *what*, *where*, *when*, *why* or *how*. "What did they boy do every night after dinner?"

Source: M. Popkin and others, Helping Your Child Succeed in School: A Guide for Parents of 4 to 14 Year Olds.



Book Fair

Join us in the Library this week for the Scholastic Book Fair! The Book Fair will be open: Monday from 3-7pm, Tuesday and Wednesday during SEP's from 12:45-7:00pm. Thousands of titles are also available online. Shop our Book Fair : <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/uintahelemsch1>

Girls on the Run debuts at Uintah!

This is a super cool program for 3rd-6th grade girls that strives to build confidence and health. The group will meet on Thursdays at Uintah from 3:15 to 5:15 starting on March 1st and culminate in an awesome 5K run at Sugarhouse Park on May 19th. Registration fee is sliding scale and ranges from \$35- \$160 - pay at the level you can afford. Register at www.girlsontherunsaltlake.org. Questions? Call Suzanne Martin (801) 718-0242 .

6th Grade Graduation



6th Grade Graduation Committee is putting together a slide show of our 6th grades from kindergarten to now. If you have any pictures of past field trips, parades, musical concerts, etc please email to Mr. Miller by March 23.

Uintah Elementary 2011-2012 Yearbook Sale

It's time to put in your yearbook order! You can order by cash, check, or credit card \$10.00 each. **All yearbook orders must be received by Thursday, March 1st.** For more details, please find the order form in last Monday's envelope.

PTA Corner

****If you would like a board position for next year please submit your name in the office.**

LOST & FOUND

Parents, when you come to conference with your child's teacher, please check our lost and found (by the west stairwell).

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Uintah Elementary is hosting its First Annual Mental Health Week March 12-16, 2012. Please join us for the PTA sponsored Parent Forum with Dr. Jeremy Kendricks:

- PTA Parent Forum – Wednesday March 14, 2012 at 6:30 PM at Uintah Elementary

He will be covering topics such as Stress, ADHD, Anxiety, Depression, Bi-polar, etc. There will be refreshments! For questions about Mental Health Week please contact Jamey Green at jameyngreen@gmail.com.

Kindergarten 2012-2013

Registration material is available in our front office. Parents are encouraged to start the registration process as soon as possible. Please share this information with neighbors who will have children entering kindergarten next year.

LIGHTS * CAMERA* ACTION

The Art Night Committee is very excited to announce the addition of STUDENT FILMS and SHORTS to Art Night 2012. Submissions will be accepted April 9—13th. All entries must be made by current students and content should be appropriate for all viewing audiences. Films may be live action, stop motion, claymation, anything you can film! No violence, inappropriate language or disturbing images will be accepted. Film length not to exceed 10 minutes. Please submit in a digital format. Applications will be available in the office one week prior to the submission deadline. For more information please contact Kerry Ferguson at kerryferguson@xmission.com



BOX Tops for Education

We are so close to reaching our \$1000 goal. So far this month students have turned in 1024 box tops. That translates into \$102.40 for Uintah Elementary. We are currently at \$917.00 for the school year. Thank you to everyone who has participated, every box top counts. A special Thank you to Ethan Hathaway and Marrison Davis. These students, along with their classmates in Ms. Tiller's 3rd grade class were able to turn in 207 box tops this month!

2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

If your child(ren) will not be returning, please complete the section below and return it to our office as soon as possible.

THE FOLLOWING STUDENT(S) WILL NOT BE RETURNING TO UINTAH NEXT YEAR:

NAME OF STUDENT: _____

CURRENT TEACHER: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____