

WEST ELEMENTARY

WHAT'S NEWS AT WEST

February 2011

Upcoming events

Feb. 6 - Art show opening
1-3 PM

Feb. 8 - West Site Council
4PM

Feb 15 - Kindergarten
Screening

Feb 16 - Kindergarten
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10 Tips for Choosing Books for Children of All Ages

Source: Family of Readers Advisor's Guide

Ages: 5-8, 9-12, 13+

Have children choose their own books as soon as they start showing a preference for one over another.

Find the children's section of your local library. Get to know the librarian, who can be a great resource.

Find out what your child is interested in, and help choose books that are related to his/her interests.

Ask friends, family and teachers what books their children have enjoyed; try a book swap.

If your child does not like a book you are reading together, put it away. Reading is a fun time to share, not a time to fight.

Again, Again, Again! Children may want you to read the same book many times, even if you think they have outgrown it.

Use book lists generated by various literacy organizations; they usually have good suggestions.

Look for books that you will like reading aloud. Your enjoyment will shine through and become contagious.

Try out different kinds of books to see what appeals to your children.

Have fun! Show your children the joy of reading and how it can open up a brand new world!



February Box Tops

Question for the month: What was your favorite valentine Candy when you were in school?

For the month of February, you can enter the "I LOVE MY SCHOOL" sweepstakes every day for a chance to win bonus Box Tops for West Elementary online at www.btfe.com/love. Book spring break trips thru travel websites at the Box Top Marketplace and earn donations for West School. Find recipes for Super Bowl at btfe.com.

Keep saving so we can keep counting! Thank You!

Kindergarten
Registration will be on
Feb 15th only this year.
No Appt necessary.
Will be held at West
Elementary School.

ART SHOW
February 6-28

Please take the opportunity to visit the creative exhibit showcasing student art. An Open House will be held Feb. 6th from 1-3pm.

Students had fun celebrating Kansas Day on January 28th. Classroom activities included:
Farm Bureau doing activities with the children in their pods!

PROUD TO BE FROM KANSAS!