



Snow Horse Website: <u>https://snowhorse.davis.k12.ut.us/</u>

Principal's Message

As we come to the end of parent teacher conference week, we wanted to take a moment to thank you for all the hard work you have put in to ensure your children have the best educational experience possible. We know that the parent-teacher conference is a great opportunity to set goals and communicate with the classroom teachers and administrators, and we want to ask you to continue to follow through with the goals you have set.

Studies have shown that when parents attend conferences with their student's teacher, it has a positive effect on the student's academic performance. This is because it demonstrates to the student that their parents are invested in their education and are willing to take active steps to ensure their success. Having the opportunity to discuss their child's progress with their teacher also allows parents to have a better understanding of their child's strengths and weaknesses, enabling them to provide better guidance and support. Furthermore, it creates an open line of communication between the parents and the school, which can help to ensure a positive learning environment for their child.

At the end of the day, our goal is to ensure that your student is receiving the best education possible. We cannot do that without your help and support. So please, continue to stay involved in your student's education and ensure that the goals set are met. Thank you for your commitment to your child's education.

Mr. Forsgren and Ms. Hansen

Important. Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY

3rd : Book Battle Meeting @1:3013th -17th: HOPE Week20th: No School-Presidents Day27th & 28th: Book Fair

P.T.A. NEWS

Please visit our Snow Horse PTA Website:

link: <u>snowhorsepta.com</u>

Become a member of our PTA.:

link: snowhorse.memberhub.com

DINING WITH DUDES

We invite you to sign up for an opportunity for Dads and other special Dudes to be in our school with your student. Please scan the QR code to sign up for a Friday to come and eat lunch and play a game outside at recess with your Snow Horse Colt.



NOVEMBER'S & DECEMBER'S KINDNESS CLUB WINNERS OF "BE PATIENT" ARE:

Kimara Parcell

- Olivia Yeo
- Quinn Thompson
- Ellie Griffin
- Madie Stringham
- Khloe Richardson
- Lucy Hart
- Kallie Roberts
- Sloan Bowden
- Eliza Belnap
- Lydia Handcuff
- Summer Kingsford
- Sarah Plaizier
- Hazel Gleave
- Claire White
- Rollie Kemp
- Autumn Ware

- * Elliot Balls
- * Matthew Barlow
- * Cam Malan
- * Nash Beckman
- * Apollo Van Noy
- * Charlie Burton
- * Hyrum Nelson
- * Griffin Parlett
- * Edison Blackburn
- * Drew Johnson
- * Preston Brown
- * Clayton Hughes
- * Kevin Johnson
- * Mack Nelson
 - Jayden Chung
- * Trevor Scoresby
- Bennett Wood

FEBRUARY'S KINDNESS ATTRIBUTE IS "BE AWARE OF OTHERS"



BOOK BATTLES

3rd-4th Grade 2022-23

Buddy Files: The case of the lost Boy
Chocolate Touch
Dragons in a Bag
Duke
El Deafo
Fablehaven
Hoboken Chicken Emergency, The
I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005
Magical Ms. Plum
Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane, The
Ramona the Pest
Rescue on the Oregon Trail: Ranger in Time
Stone Fox
Two Bobbies, The
Upside Down Magic

5th-6th Grade 2022-23

- Candy Bomber, The
- □ Crossover, The
- Dragon with the Chocolate Heart
- □ Fourteenth Goldfish
- □Frindle
- □ Fuzzy Mud
- □ Harry Potter and Sorcerer's Stone
- □ Lightning Thief
- □ My Life as a Potato
- □ Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: One Dead Spy
- □ Night Divided
- □Restart
- □Roller Girl
- □ The Night Diary
- □ Wedgie and Gizmo



1 of 2 DAVIS BOOK BATTLES

What are Book Battles?

- A fun reading incentive program and competition open to any interested 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th graders
- Monthly Friday afternoon meetings held Jan. - March
- Participating students:
 - Read from a list of 15 books
 - Participate on a team of up to 5 students
 - Compete against other teams in their grade level to answer questions that demonstrate their knowledge of the books

Key Dates

Registration DUE by first meeting Jan. 6

Monthly team prep sessions Fridays at Snow Horse Library

- Jan. 6, 1:30 2:30 p.m.
- Feb. 3, 1:30 2:30 p.m.
- March 3, 1:30 2:30 p.m.

Competitions

- March 20-23 Schoolwide Tourney (winning team from each grade advances to District competition)
- March 24, District Competition at Sunburst Elementary School in Layton

Book Battles Registration Due by First Meeting Jan. 6

We are requesting an **optional \$10 donation** to help cover the cost for team t-shirts. Payment can be made on-line through myDSD or by cash or check when returning this form to your teacher. Those financially unable to donate are still welcome to participate!

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Student Name (First and Last)

Grade and Teacher

Student Signature

Parent Signature

T-SHIRT SIZE: YS

Students: By signing up you are committing to:

- Read at least 3 books from the list
- · Attend the monthly training meetings
- Work with your team to compete in the battles and read the books that meet the needs of your team

Parents: We need volunteers to help with:

- Monthly Friday afternoon meetings (see above)
- Battle Week in March

If you are able to volunteer, please provide your name and contact info below. Thank you!

Parent Volunteer

E-mail and Phone Number

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Book Battle Reading Lists

3rd -4th Grade

- 1. The Case of the Lost Boy by Dori Hillestad Butler
- 2. The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Skene Catling
- 3. Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliott
- 4. Duke by Kirby Larson
- 5. El Deafo by Cece Bell
- 6. Fablehaven by Brandon Mull
- 7. The Hoboken Chicken Emergency by Daniel Pinkwater
- 8. I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005 by Lauren Tarshis
- 9. The Magical Ms. Plum by Bonnie Becker
- 10. Ramona the Pest by Beverly Cleary
- 11. Rescue on the Oregon Trail by Kate Messner
- 12. Stone Fox by John Reynolds Gardiner
- 13. Two Bobbies: A True Story of Hurricane Katrina, Friendship, and Survival by Kirby Larson & Mary Nethery
- 14. The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo
- 15. **Upside Down Magic** by Sarah Mlynowski, Lauren Myracle, & Emily Jenkins

5th -6th Grade

- 1. Candy Bomber by Michael O. Tunnell
- 2. The Crossover by Kwame Alexander
- 3. The Dragon with the Chocolate Heart by Stephanie Burgis
- 4. The Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer L. Holm
- 5. Frindle by Andrew Clements
- 6. Fuzzy Mud by Louis Sachar
- 7. Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J. K. Rowling
- 8. The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan
- 9. My Life as a Potato by Arianne Costner
- 10. A Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen
- 11. The Night Diary by Veera Hiranandani
- 12. Restart by Gordon Korman
- 13. Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson
- 14. Wedgie and Gizmo by Suzanne Selfors
- 15. Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: One Dead Spy by Nathan Hale

Students' Frequently Asked Questions

How many books do I need to read?

You are asked to read a minimum of 3 books from the list and work as a team to make sure that all 15 books have been read by someone on your team. Being an expert on just a few of the titles will be a big service to your team!

What if I have already read books on the list?

That's great! You may want to look at the book again to refresh your memory of the details as you prepare for the Book Battles!



Do I need to be fast reader to participate? Can I read some of the more challenging books with my parents or an older sibling?

The reading list feature books at all reading levels. You are welcome to read books with your parents, siblings and even listen to them as audio books if desired! Reading together as a family is one of the best things you can do for your education. As long as you can remember what happened in the book it won't matter if you had help with the reading.

It will be hard for me to bring ten dollars. Can I still participate?

Yes. We don't keep track of who does or doesn't help with donations. We are asking those who participate to help offset the cost of t-shirts, but only i they are financially able.