

Specialists' Report

2009

Music:

While I was out during the first part of April, Ms. Gilman was kind enough to sub for me. She has a background in both elementary and instrumental music, just like me. Ms. Gilman helped the students continue with their music units and also added a couple ideas of her own. It was great to return to have the students excited to teach me new activities.

During April, second grade students sang spring songs and participated in a rhythm egg hunt. In each egg was a rhythm they had to perform for the class. Third, fifth and sixth grades wowed Ms. Gilman with their orff instrument skills by putting together multi-part folk songs. Fourth graders began their recorder unit and they are doing well!

The month of May is full of concerts. Wednesday May 13th the orchestra will perform in the Redmond Junior High gym at 7:00pm. The following night, Thursday May 14th, is the elementary band concert, also at 7:00pm. On Friday the 15th the orchestra students spend the day performing at all the Redmond region elementary schools. We look forward to their visit.

To finish up the month, our first and second graders perform on Thursday May 28th for their spring program right here in the Redmond Elementary gym. Students should arrive by 6:45pm in their classrooms and the program starts at 7:00pm. Please join us afterwards for the PTSA bake sale.

Thanks!

Ms. Anderer



Physical Education:

I have just returned from leave and while it is hard to be away from my new son I am excited to be back working with all of our classes.

While I was gone we were fortunate enough to Mr. Krause come in to substitute. He worked through a basketball unit with the classes and then he shared some of his own activities. The students really enjoyed learning some new games and we have added them to our repertoire.

When I left in March 3-6 grades had almost completed their second round of fitness challenges and K-2 grades were wrapping

up a soccer unit. We are now finishing those units and moving on. Grades 3-6 will begin participating in a floor hockey unit while grades K-2 will be working on fitness skills.



As the weather improves all classes will be taking advantage of our field with various outdoor activities.

Stay active, stay healthy.

Mr. Dahlgren



Library:

HAWK WALK BIRD COUNT:
What a great event. This year we saw 22 different birds—from the Bald Eagle to two stunning Green Herons. The complete list is in the Library.

SIXTH GRADERS just finished their reflections on evaluating and using research resources. They will be starting on their book posters.

FIFTH GRADERS just finished their Scavenger Hunt using a wide variety of resources. They are starting on a class poetry book.

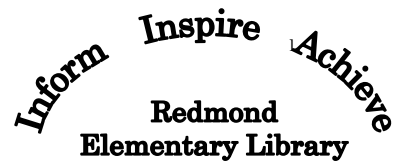
FOURTH GRADERS are writing their paragraph for their Bird Research Project.

THIRD GRADERS are learning how to find books on the Red El Catalog.

SECOND GRADERS are listening to wonderful Classics such as Tortoise and the Jackrabbit.

FIRST GRADERS are listening to stories demonstrating Voice, one of the Six-Traits-of-Writing, including Tomas and the Library Lady.

KINDERGARTNERS are hearing Classic Stories such as and The Tale of Peter Rabbit.



MAY MUSIC CONCERTS



Wednesday May 13th: Orchestra at RJH



Thursday May 14th: Band at RJH



Friday May 15th: Orchestra tour to elementarys



Please join us for the
PTSA bake sale
immediately following
the
Redmond Elementary
Spring Sing.

