

# Paton-Churdan Community School

March 2022

## Coming UP.....

March 4.....MS Dance  
March 9.....NHS Blood Drive  
March 14-18.....No School, Spring Break  
March 21.....No School, Teacher Inservice  
March 22.....Spring Picture Day  
April 18 2.....Middle School Musical  
April 12.....K-6 Music Concert  
April 18.....No School, Teacher Inservice  
April 23.....Paton-Churdan Junior-Senior Prom  
April 29.....Kindergarten Round Up  
May 17.....Secondary Pops Concert  
May 18.....Senior Mentor Banquet  
May 21.....Paton-Churdan 2022 Graduation  
May 27.....Currently Scheduled Last Day of School

### Current Activities & Athletic Events

Go to [www.paton-churdan.k12.ia.us](http://www.paton-churdan.k12.ia.us)

- click on calendars & then
- click on district calendar

## Walkers are Welcome



*The school will be open from 3:30-4:30pm on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday for community members to walk the halls.*

**Parents: Please remember to call the school office by 8:15 am if your child will not be in attendance that day. We appreciate your help!**

## Thank You

**Julie Towers, Melanie Ludwig & Deonne Robey** for donating towards our fleece blanket project.

A special thanks to our PC students, families, community members, and teachers who participated in the K-6 fundraiser. Thanks also to those who sent donations as well. We are fortunate at PC to be able to provide our students with a variety of field trip experiences and that is because of your support!

If you have a child



eligible for kindergarten next year please call the school office at 515-389-3111 to register them for Kindergarten Round-up. This year's date for kindergarten round-up is Friday, April 29th.



## Preschool News

By Alisa Olson

While using the materials from the STEM Scale Up Grant Ramps and Pathways, preschoolers became interested in creating tunnels. This led them to their latest investigation: Tubes and Tunnels. The students have organized their thoughts into categories such as



as Characteristics of tubes and tunnels, People who work with tubes and tunnels, Where and tunnels can be found, and uses of tubes and tunnels. The preschoolers investigated the

or tubes be for tubes So far, have tunnels they created with the Ramps and Pathway materials, the toy tunnels they crawl through, systems in their bodies that require tubes and tunnels such as digestive system, circulatory system, etc., flexible tubing, hoses, and straws used for liquid, and PVC pipes. They were able to see some special areas of the school that host an abundance of tubes and tunnels.



### 4th & 5th Grades

#### Learn How About the Heart

By: Jolene Peters

February was national Heart month and also the month we started the SWITCH program



(changing what we DO, VIEW, & CHEW). Nurse Peters visited the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes to

introduce heart anatomy. The students got to experience how hard the heart has to work to circulate blood throughout the body. Ms. Meyer's class has been doing yoga on their "brain breaks". This



month they will learn how to take their pulse and see how exercise affects their heart rate.



### Kindness Week

By: Libby Towers

During the week of February 14, National Honor Society led their annual Kindness Week. They highlighted ways to be kind through daily announcements and challenges. They spread kindness and smiles by having jokes around the school and they practiced kindness through service-- serving their annual pancake breakfast and entering K-4 classrooms to lead an activity with each class. In the 4th grade classroom, they created tie blankets. These blankets will go to homeless youth in need at the Des Moines Youth and Shelter Services. In the hallway, a photo opp was available reminding staff and students to be the "I" in kind. Being a part of kindness is a daily practice. This week is just a fun way to celebrate the little things we can do to spread kindness. Great job NHS members-- Autumn Consier, Abby Duckett, Bailey Anderson, Bradyn Smith, Carmyn Paup, Madison Grow and Megan Palmer!

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