

# BULLPUP BLAST

january 2026



## CONFERENCES

Parent Teacher conferences will be held the first week of February. Grades 3-5 will be student led conferences. They will also combine with both teachers as they did in the fall.

We look forward to visiting with our parents to share the great growth of their children.

Links should be out mid-January.

## WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS

Even when it's cold outside, we still enjoy fresh air and playtime! Students should wear hats, mittens, boots, and coats to stay warm and safe. Before going out, make sure all clothing is labeled with your child's name. During recess, snow should stay on the ground—no throwing snowballs or ice. Temperature or wind chill 20\* or under is the cut off for outdoor recess.

Weather closers will come via phone call or can be seen on several local tv stations and the school website.

## WHAT IS THE SCIENCE OF READING???

The Science of Reading is a term for what decades of research tell us about how children learn to read. It shows that reading is not something the brain learns naturally—so it needs clear, step-by-step teaching.

This research highlights the importance of:

- Learning how letters and sounds work together
- Building strong phonics skills
- Developing vocabulary and background knowledge
- Practicing reading fluently
- Understanding what is read

In short, the Science of Reading helps schools use proven methods so all children can become confident, successful readers.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January 19 No School

January 28 K-2 Pancake Pop-ins

February 5 Conferences

February 6 & 9 No School

Students will use these words throughout the week in reading, writing, and science activities.

