

Bouse Elementary School- February Newsletter

Congratulations to Dakoetah H. for taking first place and Lizbeth T. as runner-up for the Bouse Elementary School Spelling Bee. Dakoetah is in the 5th Grade, and Lizbeth is in the 4th Grade. Both girls will be able to compete in the La Paz County Spelling Bee on February 16th in Parker, Arizona.

Some students will be doing Azella testing February 13 through February 23rd. The Arizona English Language Learner Assessment (AZELLA) is a standards-based assessment that meets both state and federal requirements to measure students' English language proficiency. AZELLA is used for both placement and reassessment purposes. Students who have been identified as second language learners on the Home Language Survey take the AZELLA placement test, and the students' proficiency scores determine appropriate placement for instruction. Students who have been placed into an English language learner program will also take the AZELLA reassessment once per year until they achieve proficiency. Students who have scored proficient on the AZELLA are then monitored for two years to help ensure success after their move into a mainstream classroom.

Galileo testing starts February 27 through March 9th. The Galileo test is used by the school to prepare our students to perform their best on the State test, now called AASA (Arizona Academic Standards Assessment). The AASA is given to all public school students (3-8) and helps the State determine if the students are performing well academically.

This month the students will be learning about fishing, learning the different local species of fish and learning how to tie knots on February 8th with La Paz County Parks employee's and volunteers from our community. On Monday February 13th the students will be going to the La Paz County Park in Parker AZ for the 43rd Annual Take A Kid Fishing Day.

Our 100th day of school is Tuesday February 28th.