



ROBERTS SCHOOL

2016 FEBRUARY- MARCH NEWS

Building Security

The Roberts School, continues to have exterior doors locked after an event in late December. This practice will maintain for an indefinite amount of time. After this event, we began looking at ways to secure our building and make it a safer environment for our students. During this research we found most every school in the state of Montana has the exterior doors locked or a clear site line from the front office to the front door in the case of an emergency. With a clear site line not being an option in our facility, we have looked at alternatives that allow us to communicate with the front office from the front door and open the front door from the front office. We will be reviewing bids for these items at the February School Board meeting.

I appreciate any concerns about the inconvenience and about the door being locked potentially making the school building less welcoming. I hope that people understand that the school administration has discussed these items and feels the best way to serve our students is a safe and secure environment.

Basketball

It is near the end of the boys and girls basketball seasons. Both teams are currently 2-10 and will finish the season with two home games and four road games. The final home game and senior night is scheduled for Thursday, February 11th versus Bridger. District tournaments are scheduled in Huntley Project and will take place from February 17th-20th.

Boys' Junior High basketball under the leadership of John Payovich will begin Monday, February 15th after school. A reminder to home school parents who receive this newsletter there are provisions in our policies that allow students to participate in junior high and elementary activities. If you have questions about this, please contact me.

Montana Digital Academy Program

Roberts Schools has had students taking Montana Digital Academy Classes (MTDA) over the last few years. In the 2015-2016 school year our MTDA program took steps towards becoming a mainstay program at our school. In the fall semester alone forty MTDA classes were taken by Roberts High School students. Those students classes represented various subjects groups. Examples include: Psychology, Physics, AP Calculus, Personal Finance, Sports Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Earth Science, and Foreign Languages. Out of those forty classes Roberts students had a combine GPA of 2.975 Which is basically a B average. This program offers our school the opportunity to provide classes in subject areas that are interesting and engaging to our students in areas we would otherwise not be able to offer due to lack of staffing.

For more information on the MTDA and its class offerings visit this link: <http://montanadigitalacademy.org/programs/course-catalog/>

BPA and FFA Updates

The Roberts Business Professionals of America program competed at Regionals in Wilsall, Montana Tuesday, January 12th. Mr. Frank has submitted a list of results as almost the entire BPA Chapter qualified for the State BPA convention in Billings, March 13th-15th.

The FFA has contest over the next couple months in Bridger, February 3rd; Melstone, February 8th; Joliet, March 2nd; Cascade, March 4th and State Convention in Bozeman, March 30th -April 2nd. We are excited as a school to see how active these two groups have become and hope to see some positive results as they enter their competitive phase of the season.

Alexander Ator

Superintendent Roberts Schools

As always if you have school questions or concerns don't hesitate to call or email me

445 2421 or ator@roberts.k12.mt.us

1ST AND 2ND GRADE HAPPENINGS

Where is the time going? We are already nearing February. Our class is wrapping up our Oregon Trail Unit this week with a simulation. Students will dress in pioneer clothes and will participate in an activity that will let them “experience” what life was like on

the trail. Students will get to taste some of the pioneer food that was brought on the trail in the old days. Students will also be creating a scene from the trail. These will be



on display at school. Make sure to ask your child if they liked the trail food. Stop in and look at our dioramas of the Oregon Trail!

I would like to send a special **thank you** to all the

“Ladies of Kaleva” for coming to our class twice a week and listening to the kids read. It helps me so much to have someone listen to them read aloud and it helps the kids with their reading fluency. I am so grateful for all the hard work and dedication these ladies have demonstrated. Also, ladies, a second **big** thank you for helping me with our snowmen project!!

BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA

Congratulations to Roberts BPA Members!

Roberts chapter BPA Members attended the Regional Leadership Conference at Shields Valley High School on January 12. BPA Members competed in a total of 16 events. Here is a breakdown of the results. Here are our results of students.

1. Banking and Finance Test - Abraham Hernandez placed 3rd and is going to State
2. Financial Analyst Team - Ryan Miller and Abraham Hernandez placed 1st and are going to State
3. Economic Research Team - Boone Schmaltz, Gus Dines, and Ryan DeVries placed 2nd and are going to State
4. Personal Financial Management Test - Max Romero placed 3rd and Carter Moore placed 4th. They are both going to State for this.
5. Fundamental Word Processing Test - Ryan DeVries placed 3rd and Danny Carter placed 7th and are both going to State.
6. Intermediate Word Processing Test - Gus Dines and Nick Moore did not place.
7. Basic Office Systems and Procedures Test - Bryce Dines placed 4th and is going to State.
8. Advanced Spreadsheet Applications Test - Jess Mysse placed 1st and is going to State.
9. Legal Office Procedures Test - Travis Sheesley placed 1st and Shawn Perkins placed 2nd and both are going to State.
10. Medical Office Procedures Test - Jess Mysse placed 1st, Travis Sheesley 2nd, Brittany Prinkki 3rd, Carter Moore 4th.
11. Java Programming Test - Ryan Miller placed 5th and going to State.
12. Fundamental Desktop Publishing Test - Ryan Miller placed 1st and Brittany Prinkki place 5th and are both going to State.
13. Graphic Design Promotion - Bryce Dines placed 7th. Did not qualify for State in this event.
14. Website Design Team - Abraham Hernandez, Ryan Miller, Travis Sheesley, and Max Romero placed 3rd and did not qualify for State in this event.
15. Advanced Interview Skills - Brittany Prinkki placed 4th and is not going to State in this event.
16. Presentation Management Team - Abraham Hernandez, Carter Moore, Jess Mysse, and Shawn Perkins placed 1st and are going to State.

The BPA State Competition will be in Billings March 13th-15th. Those competing will have an opportunity to attend the National BPA conference in Boston this May. Stay tuned for results after the State competition.

RPPA THANKS DONORS—STUDENTS TREATED TO THE ALBERTA BAIR

For the past several years, the Seidman Foundation has generously provided donations to the Roberts Parents for the Performing Arts, which have been used to provide experiences in the arts for all students at Roberts School. This past year was no different, with a gift in memory of lifetime Roberts resident and longtime school board member John B. Obert. Once again all Roberts elementary classes have benefitted from the generosity of that memorial, which provided tickets for them to matinee performances at the Alberta Bair Theater. In addition, this year the RPPA was able to include tickets for the enthusiastic Roberts Pre-School class to “ride the bus with the big kids” and see the show, On January 19 Pre-school through 3rd

grade traveled by bus to the ABT, where they were entertained by “The Stinky Cheese Man & Other Fairly Stupid Tales.” The stage play, based on the book of the same name by author Jon Scieszka and illustrator Lane Smith, uses Jack and the Beanstalk as a basis for the story. When the hungry giant catches Jack, the hero tries making up stories to entertain the giant and spare his life. The stories are new treatments of old favorites such as a tortoise racing a hair-growing hare, Cinderumpletiltskin, Little Red Running Shorts and a pesky, bread-obsessed Red Hen. The students were delighted by the examples of making stories their own and seeing new possibilities for the familiar.

On February 11 the 4-6th grade classes

will make the same journey to the ABT, where they will be treated to “The Lightning Thief: the musical,” based on the best-selling book by Rick Riordan. Modern day protagonist Percy Jackson is shocked when he finds out that he is a demigod son of Poseidon, the god of the sea. Just as Percy is introduced to the gods, goddesses and semi-gods of Greek mythology, the students will witness “... geeking out on ancient Greek at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art” with Percy and learning about the gods.

Once again, the RPPA and Roberts students are extremely grateful to the wonderful supporters of the arts who have helped make these opportunities available to all students at Roberts School for the past 25 years..

KINDLES FOR KIDS

During the 3rd quarter, students in grades 2-12 are encouraged to read more than ever. Students simply read books and take the Accelerated Reader (AR) quiz for each book (2nd-6th graders take the quiz through their classroom teachers; 7th-12th graders see Mrs. L.). Students receive entries into a drawing

that gives them the chance to win one of four free Kindle Fires!

2nd: 2 AR points = 1 entry

3rd: 3 AR points = 1 entry

4-6: 5 AR points = 1 entry

7-12: 8 AR points = 1 entry

There is no limit to how many AR points (and hence, entries) students can earn, so all students should be

reading as much as possible, especially during the 3rd quarter.

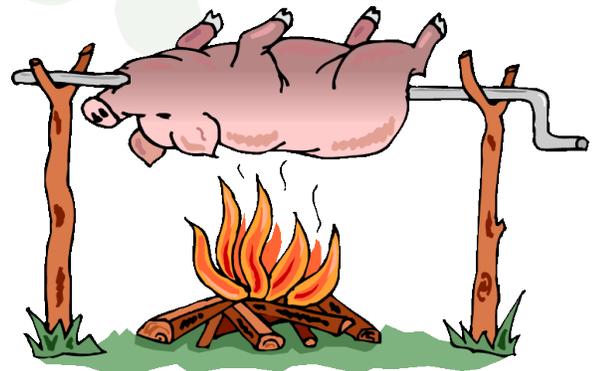
NOTE: We are so thankful for the Star-in-the-West Masonic Lodge in Red Lodge for donating the Kindles. If you know any members, pass our gratitude on!

“Thank you to the Star-in-the-West Masonic Lodge!”

GRADUATION AND FIREMAN’S PIG ROAST

Due to the lengthening of the school year, Roberts School will hold it's 2016 Graduation on June 4th. Tentative time for the graduation will be 1:00 pm. More details to come as we get closer to June 4th.

This is also the day of the Annual Fireman’s Pig Roast which will start at the Fire Hall at 5:00 PM. Mark your calendars!



Roberts School Library Receives \$1,000 Grant from Best-selling Author James Patterson

We recently got word that our library was one of 467 schools nationwide to receive a grant from the Patterson Partnership. Almost 28,000 schools applied for this grant, so we are thrilled to be one of the recipients.

Patterson said, “These grants are my humble acknowledgement of the terrific work taking place in libraries. Here’s to communities supporting school libraries. Here’s to a country that makes reading a priority. Here’s to flourishing libraries!”

The Patterson Grant money will be used to buy new books for the library. Many new books have been added recently, so stop by and check out a book or visit our Destiny Homepage to

Students Treated to Alberta Bair Theater

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Congrats to this month's group of “Characters”. These students were chosen for their exemplary show of Character this past month. Way to go kids! This month the focus is on Kindness.



2016 Combined District 6-C Basketball Tourney

Monday February 15 - Session 1

Game 1: Boys Play-in game 7 Seed vs. 10 Seed @ 7:00 pm (played at 7 seed home site)

Game 2: Boys Play-in game 8 Seed vs. 9 Seed @ 7:00 pm (played at 8 seed home site)

Tuesday February 16 - Session 2

Game 3: Girls Play-in game 7 Seed vs. 10 Seed @ 7:00 pm (played at 7 seed home site)

Game 4: Girls Play-in game 8 Seed vs. 9 Seed @ 7:00 pm (played at 8 seed home site)

Wednesday February 17 - Session 3

Game 5: Boys First Round game 1 Seed vs. Lowest remaining seed @ 11:00 am

Game 6: Boys First Round game 4 Seed vs. 5 Seed @ 12:30 pm

Game 7: Girls First Round game 1 Seed vs. Lowest remaining seed @ 2:30 pm

Game 8: Girls First Round game 4 Seed vs. 5 Seed @ 4:00 pm

Game 9: Boys First Round game 2 Seed vs. Highest remaining seed @ 6:00 pm

Game 10: Boys First Round game 3 Seed vs. 6 Seed @ 7:30 pm

Thursday February 18- Session 4

Game 11: Boys Loser out – Loser of game 5 vs. Loser of game 6 @ 11:00 am

Game 12: Boys Loser out – Loser of game 9 vs. Loser of game 10 @ 12:30 pm

Game 13: Girls First Round game 2 Seed vs. Highest remaining seed @ 2:30 pm

Game 14: Girls First Round game 3 Seed vs. 6 Seed @ 4:00 pm

Game 15: Boys Semi-Final – Winner of game 5 vs. Winner of game 6 @ 6:00 pm

Game 16: Boys Semi-Final – Winner of game 9 vs. Winner of game 10 @ 7:30pm

Friday February 19 - Session 5

Game 17: Girls Loser out – Loser of game 7 vs. Loser of game 8 @ 11:00 am

Game 18: Girls Loser out – Loser of game 13 vs. Loser of game 14 @ 12:30 pm

Game 19: Boys Loser out – Winner of game 12 vs. Loser of game 15 @ 2:30 pm

Game 20: Boys Loser out – Winner of game 11 vs. Loser of game 16 @ 4:00 pm

Game 21: Girls Semi-Final – Winner of game 7 vs. Winner of game 8 @ 6:00 pm

Game 22: Girls Semi-Final – Winner of game 13 vs. Winner of game 14 @ 7:30 pm

Saturday February 20 - Session 6

Game 23: Girls Loser out – Winner of game 18 vs. Loser of game 21 @ 9:00 am

Game 24: Girls Loser out – Winner of game 17 vs. Loser of game 22 @ 10:30 am

Saturday February 20- Session 7

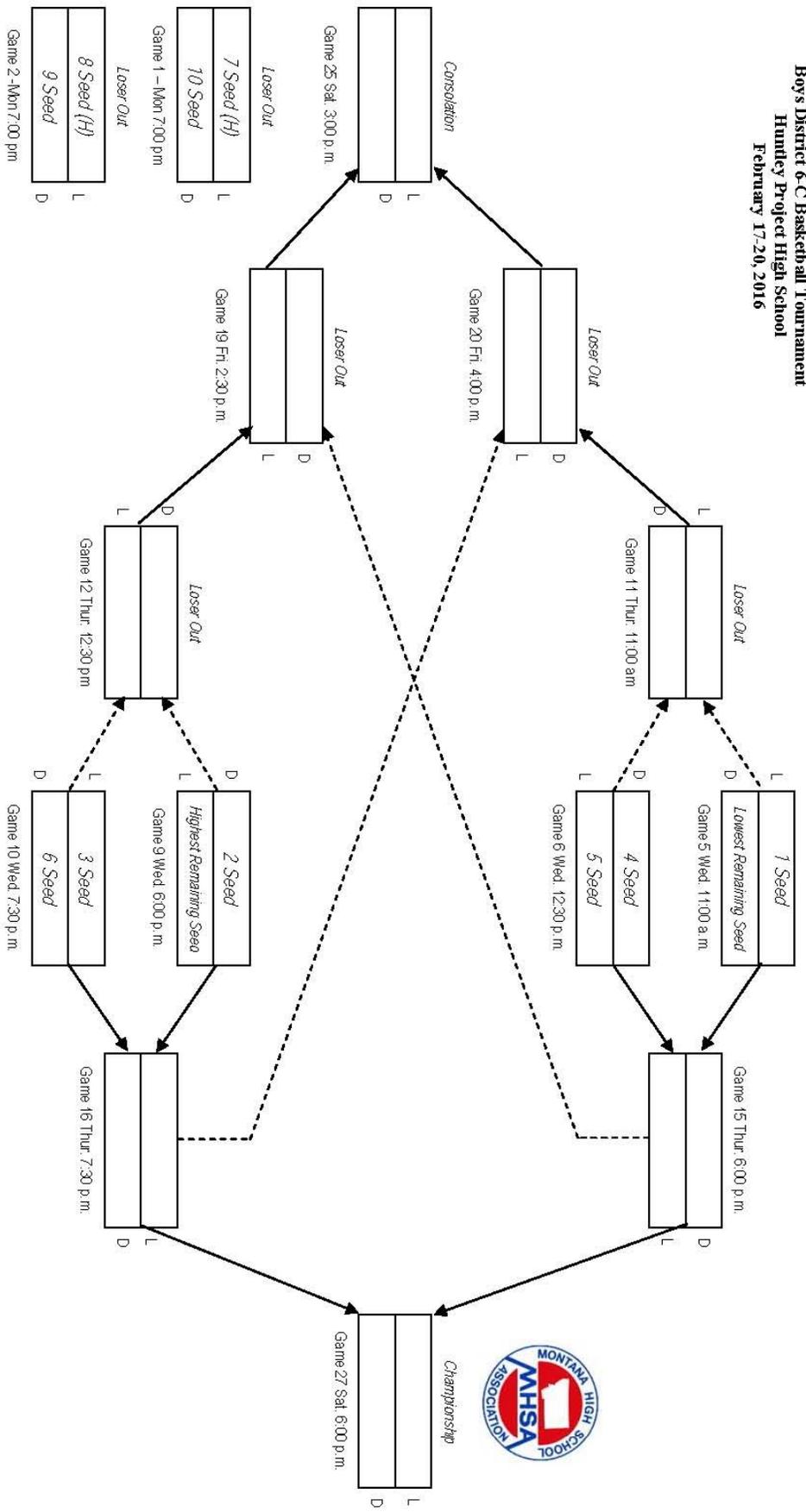
Game 25: Boys Consolation game – Winner of game 19 vs. Winner of game 20 @ 3:00 pm

Game 26: Girls Consolation game – Winner of game 23 vs. Winner of game 24 @ 4:30 pm

Game 27: Boys Championship game – Winner of game 15 vs. Winner of game 16 @ 6:00 pm

Game 28: Girls Championship game – Winner of game 21 vs. Winner of game 22 @ 8:00 pm

Montana High School Association
Boys District 6-C Basketball Tournament
Hundley Project High School
February 17-20, 2016



Play-in games will be played at the home site of the highest seed.

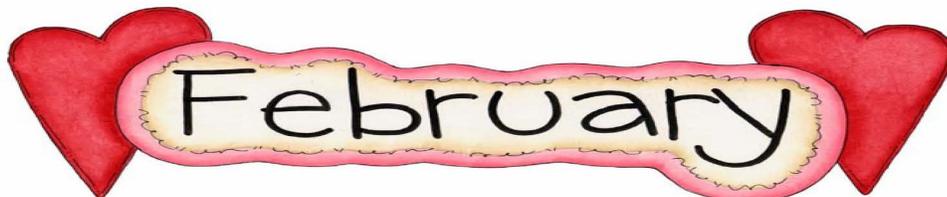




Roberts School February 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
16 Lunch Days HS/JH \$41.60 Elem \$37.50 Reduced \$6.40	1 sloppy Yo Yo Baked beans Potato salad Veggies Fruit	2 Chicken Fajita Rice Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	3 Pan cakes Scrambled eggs Bacon or sausage Tater tots Fruit Milk	4 Spaghetti French bread Salad bar Fruit Dessert Milk	5 NO LUNCH	
 14	8 Hamburgers F.F. Veggies Fruit Milk	Chili Salad bar Fruit Cinnamon rolls Milk	10 Wraps 2 soups Cheese stick Fruit Milk	11 Turkey meat balls Mashed potatoes 2 hot veggies WW rolls Fruit Milk	12 NO LUNCH	
21	15 Hamburger gravy Mashed potatoes 2 hot veggies WW roll Fruit	16 White chicken ench Spanish rice Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	17 Pull pork sand Pasta salad Veggies Fruit Milk	18 Chicken Strips 7-12 Chicken nugget k-6 Mac and cheese Salad Fruit Dessert	19 NO LUNCH	20
28	22 Beef and bean bur- rito Tater tots Salad Fruit Milk	23 Pizza Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	24 Roast Turkey Mashed potatoes 2 hot veggies WW rolls Fruit Milk	25 Chef salad Bread sticks Marinara sauce Fruit Dessert Milk	26 NO LUNCH	27 
	29 Turkey sliders Bun, JOJO fries Salad bar Fruit Milk					



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 FFA Districts @ Bridger	4	5 HSBB @ RPR 6:00/7:30	6 HSBB @ Plenty Coups 4:30/6:00/7:30
7	8	9 Board Meeting 6:00 PM	10 4-6 Alberta Bair The Lightning Theif	11 SENIOR NIGHT HSBB VS Bridger 4:30/6:00/7:30	12 HSBB @ Absa- rokee 4:30/6:00/7:30	13
	15 	16 Carbon County Spelling Bee @ Roberts	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 SKI Day	27
				BOYS DIVISIONAL TOURN @ LAUREL		
28	29	1	2	3	4	5
				GIRLS DIVISIONAL TOURN @ MILES CITY		



Roberts March 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17 Lunch Days HS/JH \$44.20 Elem \$39.95 Reduced \$6.80		1Grill cheese sand Tomato soup Pasta bar Fruit Dessert Milk	2Goulash French bread Hot veggies Fruit Dessert Milk	3Chicken sand F.F. Salad Dessert Fruit Milk	4no lunch	5
6	7MEAT BALLS WWroll Macaroni & cheese Salad Fruit milk	8Tuna noodle Cass Biscuits Hot veggies Fruit Dessert Milk	9Waffles Tater tots Bacon or sausage Fruit Scrambled eggs Milk	10Tostada Rice Salad bar Fruit Dessert Milk	11no lunch	12
13	14 Chicken fry steak Mashed potatoes 2 hot veggies WW roll Fruit Milk	15Ravioli Italian bread Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	16Soup 2 kinds Hoagies Veggies Fruit Milk	17Barbra poles F.F. Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	18no lunch HAPPY St. Patrick's Day!	19
20	21Spaghetti French bread Salad Fruit Milk	22Nacho Rice Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	23Biscuit and gravy Scrambled eggs Tater tots Bacon or sausage Fruit Milk	24Pizza Salad Fruit Dessert Milk	25NO SCHOOL	26
	28No school	29Chicken alfredo Italian bread Hot veggies Fruit Dessert Milk	30Chili haystacks Veggies bar Fruit milk	31 Baked ham Scalloped potatoes 2 hot veggies Corn bread Fruit Dessert, milk		

March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
			FFA Districts @ Joliet		JHBBB vs Rygate 4:00	JHBBB @ Hysham 10/11
6	7	8 JHBBB vs St Charles 4:30/5:30	9	10	11 JHBBB @ Bridger 4:00/5:00	12 JHBBB @ Rygate 10:00
13 Daylight Savings Spring Forward	14 NO SCHOOL JHBBB @ Fromberg 5:00	15	16	17 HAPPY St. Patrick's Day!	18 IN SESSION JHBBB vx Absarokee 4:00/5:00	19 JHBBB @ Park City 10/11
BPA STATE COMPETITION IN BILLINGS						
20	21	22	23	24 END OF QTR 1/2 day OUT AT NOON	25	26 BPA Bake Sale and EGG HUNT
27 	28 NO SCHOOL	29 	30	31	1 IN SESSION	2 JHBBB vs. Bridger 10:00/11:15/12:30
FFA STATE CONVENTION BOZEMAN						

Student Council VALENTINE Fundraiser



Red Carnations
(wrapped in cellophane and tied with ribbon)

1- \$3.00 _____

2- \$6.00 _____

3- \$9.00 _____

Chocolate Combo

\$5.00 _____

A Hershey Bar and a Balloon

Skittles Combo

\$5.00 _____

Skittles and a Balloon

Flower Combo

\$5.00 _____

1 carnation and a Balloon

Flower/ Candy Combo

\$5.00 _____

1 carnation and your choice of candy

Circle one:

Hersey Bar

Skittles

Total _____

Please return order forms and payment by
Thursday, February 4th.

-One form per student -Payments may be combined

Checks may be made out to Roberts School.

Please fill out the tag below.

To:

From:

ROBERTS SCHOOL
PO BOX 78
ROBERTS, MT 59070

NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
ROBERTS SCHOOL
ROBERTS, MT 59070
Permit 1

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, June 4th, 2016

Graduation @ 1:00

Fireman's Pig Roast @ 5:00

UPCOMING EVENTS.....

CARBON COUNTY SPELLING BEE

TUESDAY—FEBRUARY 16, 2016
HERE AT ROBERTS SCHOOL
4:00 PM

UNITED BLOOD SERVICES BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, March 29
3:00 pm—6:00 pm



SPRING BOOK FAIR

It is hard to believe, but we are only a couple months away from our Spring Book Fair! The Book Fair will take place in our library from April 4th-7th. Parents, students and community members are welcome to shop April 4-6 during morning hours or after school. On Thursday, April 7th, the fair will be open during Parent-Teacher Conferences from 4-7:30 pm. So mark your calendar for a great night to celebrate our students and find some great new books. See you at the fair!