

## Principal's Message for March 2017 Newsletter

This past month we have participated in some outstanding activities that have provided our students memories to last a lifetime. Here is a small list to just give you an idea of what your students experienced this past month: Val-O-Grams, Grade Level Flex Time (a.k.a. – Shark Attack Time), Spirit Day – Fancy Friday, Donut Day, the start of our Science Club, visits from the Natural History of Utah, and much more. So, as you can see, on top of providing great academics our fabulous teachers go out of their way to provide wonderful enrichment activities that benefit all students. Thank you to each of you who had a hand in any of these great activities. This is just another example of how Saratoga Shores is “Building a Community of Learners – One Student at a Time!”

We also are gearing up for our fabulous Ballroom Team's participation in the BYU Ballroom Team Match event, Battle of the Books, Shark Aide Appreciation Day, Teacher Appreciation Week, and many grade level activities.

STATE TESTING – Each year we test our students to assess their overall learning for the year. These are important measures for us a school and for your students so that we can continue to move their progress forward. Those will begin in March 20. Teachers will be letting you know exactly what dates they will administrate those assessments.

This month, Dr. T's Readers books will be the following: **Grades 1-2 *The Invisible Dog* By Dick King-Smith; Grades 3-4 *The Million Dollar Shot* By Dan Gutman; Grades 5-6 *The City of Ember* By Jeanne DuPrau.** My monthly reminder is, as always, to please keep encouraging your students to read – not only the Dr. T books, but also any good book they can get their hands on.

Thank you for choosing and supporting Saratoga Shores Elementary, as we continue to “Build a Community of Learners – One Student at a Time!”

Dr. Thomas