



Priest River Elementary Board Report

Prepared May 15, 2026

Enrollment:	Mar. 340	Apr. 342	May 345
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Activities & Celebrations

PTO Spring Carnival

Our PTO Spring Carnival was a tremendous success! We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our incredible PTO for organizing such a fun and memorable event for our students, families, and community members.

We are also grateful for the support from PRE staff, the West Bonner Library, West Bonner County Fire District, the Kalispel Tribe, PRLHS Leadership, the Distinguished Young Women Program, and the many community volunteers who helped make the evening possible. It was wonderful to see so many families and community members come together to enjoy the carnival. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and energy to make this event such a success!

Astro Day

Astro Day kicked off with an exciting assembly featuring NASA Teacher Astronaut Dorothy “Dottie” Metcalf-Lindenburger. Dottie shared her inspiring journey of achieving her lifelong dream of becoming an astronaut. Before joining NASA, she was a teacher in Vancouver, Washington. In 2004, she was accepted into the NASA Teacher Corps and later traveled to space in 2010 as part of the STS-131 crew.

She encouraged our students to work hard, stay determined, and never give up on their dreams. Her message was both inspiring and motivating for all who attended.

Curriculum & Instruction

Staff Training on “Q Cumulative” (New Skyward) – May 6

During our May 6 staff meeting, Wyatt Smith provided training for staff on the new Q Cumulative system in Skyward. Staff learned how to log in, access training sessions, and utilize a practice site to become familiar with the program.

ISAT & Spring Benchmark Assessments

ISAT testing has been completed, and we are currently finishing make-up assessments. Spring Benchmark Assessments are also underway. These benchmarks provide additional information about student achievement beyond the ISAT results.

Staff members will review the assessment data and develop SMART goals for the 2026–27 school year. This process will help guide instructional planning and strategies to increase student achievement on state standards and assessments.

Community Outreach

Smokey Bear Visit – May 13

Smokey Bear made his annual visit to our school to celebrate the winners of the Smokey Bear Poster Contest, coordinated by Pam Aunan. Thank you to the Idaho Department of Lands, the U.S. Forest Service, and Smokey Bear for helping make this special event possible for our students.

Kindergarten Roundup

Kindergarten Roundup was held on Monday, May 11. Families received information about online enrollment and the documents needed for registration. Incoming kindergarten students participated in an academic screening to help us prepare for their arrival in the fall.

Students also enjoyed crafts, a school tour, and received a small gift for attending. Kindergarten online registration is now open and will remain available through mid-August.

Upcoming Events:

- May 18th - K-1 DWA Grading**
- May 19th - 2-3 DWA Grading**
- May 20th - 6th Grade Day in the Forest.**
- May 21st - 5th Grade Water Day**
- May 25th - Memorial Day NO SCHOOL**
- May 27th - Nacc 4th Grade to Albinin Dam**
- May 28th - Third Grade Priest River Day 8:30-12:30**
- May 28th - Funkey Munkey 1:30**
- May 29th - Professional Development Day**
- June 3rd - K-3 Field Day**
- June 4th - 4-6 Field Day**
- June 8th - Perfect Attendance Trip to Park**
- June 9th - 5-6th Track Meet**
- June 10th - 6th Grade Graduation 6:00 pm**
- June 11th - K-5 Jump Up Day 8-9**
- June 11th- Kindergarten Graduation 10 am**

New Handicap Ramp and Sidewalk -

Huge thank you to our PRE PTO & King Concrete for making these much needed improvements to our gym access, and building access from our playground. Our amazing high school welders are creating and welding the rails for the ramps. Our students are enjoying the new side walk.



Astro Day -



PRE PTO SPRING CARNIVAL -



SMOKEY THE BEAR VISIT - K-3 Assembly



Perfect Attendance Field Trip to Camas Center -



Kindergarten Roundup -

