

EAGLE EXPRESS

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March

Friday – March 3

Dr. Seuss Party – 6:15-8:00 pm

Thursday – March 9

All-School Sing – 9:30 am – gym

Tuesday-Thursday – March 14-16

Parent/Guardian/Teacher Conferences –
Student dismissal @ 1:15

News from After School

After School had a great first week back from break, with lots of social time and free play! Students in our Martial Arts class are also preparing for their graduation next week, which is very exciting!

Parent/Guardian/Teacher conferences are coming up March 14-16. We will be planning lots of fun and engaging activities that week, so send your child(ren) to After School for all 3 days of the Conference for a special discounted rate of \$50 per student for drop-ins (regularly \$20/day/student) and \$40 per student for our Regular "Wednesday-only" students. Reserve your child's spot today!

Reminder: Afternoons (especially Wednesdays) can be very long for some students, leaving them tired and hungry. While we stock a limited amount of healthy snacks here at After School, it is sometimes not enough to appease some hungry bellies. Please be sure your students are well-equipped with their favorite snacks to keep them fueled throughout the day!

Here's what's happening next week:

Monday, 3/6: "On the Menu" cooking class: Many Ways to Cook an Egg

Tuesday, 3/7: STEM experiment: Toy Zip Line

Wednesday, 3/8: Line Tag

Thursday, 3/9: Finger Knitting

Friday, 3/10: Stretchy, Goopy Snow Slime

Have a great week!

Snowshoeing at Erving Elementary Friday, February 17

Our Preschool students have recently received snowshoes and just couldn't wait to try them out!



Spring is coming and we would like to remind everyone to please use care when dropping off and/or picking up your child. Please be mindful of parking so there isn't any interference with the busses or other vehicles.

News from the Principal's Desk:

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

All public schools are charged with creating a safe school environment, and to make effective use of a system for addressing the social, emotional, and health needs of its students that reflect the behavioral health and public schools framework. We are proud of the fact that Erving Elementary School and our town is a safe place for our students to grow, thanks to the vigilance of staff, parents and members of the wider Erving community, including our Police, Fire, and Town Hall departments.

Effective communication between all community stakeholders safeguards this tradition of safety. In keeping with one of the conditions for school effectiveness, **Condition # IX – Addressing students social, emotional, and health needs**, I would like to bring to your attention an important and informative educational resource (film) that is coming to our region. We think that it is important for families of students and community members to attend this screening (it is not recommended to be viewed by young children).

Next week on Wed., March 8 at 6:30 there will be a free screening of a film called Screenagers in the theater at Great Falls Middle/Turners Falls High School -- this is a community event and anyone with an interest in teens and technology use is welcome to attend.

There's a Facebook event page here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/754099878073445/>

Here's a link to the trailer for the film: <https://vimeo.com/145826333>

See www.screenagersmovie.com for more information about the film. This event is co-sponsored by Gill-Montague Regional School District and the Gill-Montague Community School Partnership.

Testimonials:

"Screenagers is a very balanced, sympathetic and sane look at the way millions of teens are struggling with phones and games and technology in general. In part by letting the teens themselves speak about their own concerns and solutions. Screenagers is deeply affecting, too." — Dave Eggers, Author

"As the mother of three kids—two of them teenagers—I've noticed that whenever I get together with other parents, the conversation ends up turning to our kids' screen time. We're all worried about how much is too much. For any of you wrestling with this issue, I loved the documentary, Screenagers. It combines smart insights and practical tips for raising happy, healthy, technologically-empowered teens." — Melinda Gates

MCAS will be starting on April 3 for all students in grades 3 through 6. While we do not shift our focus away from teaching the curriculum framework standards, we do take the necessary time to provide students with the tools and strategies that will support them throughout this testing period. We credit our student's resolve to you as parents and guardians, as well as faculty and staff, for instilling many of the traits that make our students so very special. Thank you for making sure that our children get to bed early every night. Plenty of rest and relaxation, as well as a healthy balanced meal at the start and end of each day, will go a long way to ensure our children have the opportunity to stay focused and stress-free during this testing window.

Have a wonderful weekend. I am off to join my son and future daughter-in-law at their wedding banquet menu tasting! Should be a delicious time ☺

Sincerely,



Jim Trill



Kaleb did an amazing job of carefully drilling a hole in the maple tree.



Max hammers in the spigot.



Two buckets ready to collect sap!

Maple Sugaring in preschool!

The sap is running and the preschoolers are ready to do some sugaring! This year the preschoolers helped get all the sugaring tools ready, helped to tap the trees, and will do the collecting process all by themselves! They have already sampled a fresh batch of maple sugar candy, cold sap straight from the tree, and they can't wait to compare real maple syrup to store bought!



Joey hangs the first bucket.



Amber gets ready to put the hat on the bucket.



Spencer worked hard to hammer in the spigot.

Erving Elementary School participates in the 2nd Annual February Brown Bag Lunch Challenge!



Third grade students designing and filling brown bag lunches.



March - Breakfast 2017

Alternative	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mon - Fri Assorted cereal, fruit & milk					
	6 French toast sticks, syrup, fruit & milk	7 Blueberry smoothie, graham crackers, fruit & milk	8 Pancakes, syrup, fruit & milk	9 Breakfast muffin, butter, cheese stick, fruit & milk	10 Yogurt, graham crackers, fruit & milk
	13 Waffles, syrup, fruit & milk	14 Strawberry smoothie, graham crackers, fruit & milk	15 French toast sticks, syrup, fruit & milk	16 Bagel, cream cheese, fruit & milk	17 Scrambled eggs w/toast, fruit & milk
	20 Pancakes, syrup, fruit & milk	21 Peach smoothie, graham crackers, fruit & milk	22 Waffles, syrup, fruit & milk	23 English muffin w/sun butter, fruit & milk	24 Breakfast muffin, butter, yogurt, fruit & milk
	27 French toast sticks, syrup, fruit & milk	28 Strawberry banana smoothie, graham crackers, fruit & milk	29 Pancakes, syrup, fruit & milk	30 Yogurt w/granola, fruit & milk	31 Egg & cheese muffin, fruit & milk

Breakfast is served with a choice of 1% or skim milk. Water is available during meal times, but must be taken in addition to the milk

According to the Food Research and Action Center students who participate in school breakfast show improved attendance, behavior, standardized achievement test scores as well as decreased tardiness. Students who eat breakfast also show greater improvements in math scores, attendance, punctuality, depression, anxiety and hyperactivity than children who don't participate in a school breakfast program.

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March - Lunch 2017

All	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Salad Bowl
Sun butter & jelly w/ fruit & veg of the day & milk			1 Bagel lunch w/cream cheese, cheese stick, sweet potato fries, pineapple & milk	2 Chicken patty on a wg roll, oven potato, melon & milk	3 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni, green beans, apple & milk	Chicken Mandarin cranberry salad, chick peas, fruit & veg of the day & milk
Sun butter & jelly w/ fruit & veg of the day & milk	6 Chicken noodle soup, ham & cheese sand, seasoned broccoli, diced peaches & milk	7 All beef hot dog on a wg roll, baked beans, diced pears & milk	8 Turkey & bacon wrap w/leftuce, baby carrots w/dip, banana & milk	9 Chicken fajita w/sour cream, salsa, leftuce, corn, mandarin oranges & milk	10 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni, wax beans, apple & milk	Greek salad w/black olives, kidney beans, fruit & veg of the day & milk
Sun butter & jelly w/ fruit & veg of the day & milk	13 Chicken patty on a wg roll, steamed broccoli, fruit cocktail & milk	14 Soft beef taco w/sour cream, salsa & cheese, leftuce,	15 Meatball sub on a wg roll, sweet potato fries, pineapple & milk	16 Chicken & gravy over mashed potato, breadstick, diced peaches & milk	17 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni, green beans, apple & milk	Asian chicken salad w/mand oranges, sesame dressing, chick peas, fruit & veg of the day & milk
Sun butter & jelly w/ fruit & veg of the day & milk	20 Meat balls and gravy over noodles, seasoned broccoli, fruit cocktail & milk	21 Hamb/cheeseburger on a wg roll, three bean salad, melon & milk	22 Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup, diced pears & milk	23 Chicken nuggets, oven fries, diced peaches & milk	24 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni, wax beans, apple & milk	Romaine salad w/chicken, kidney beans, fruit & veg of the day & milk
Sun butter & jelly w/ fruit & veg of the day & milk	27 Turkey & cheese sandwich, romaine salad, fresh apple & milk	28 Nacho's w/ground beef, corn & black bean salad, diced peaches & milk	29 Pasta & sauce w/cheese, seasoned corn, fruit cocktail & milk	30 Salisbury steak w/mashed potato, sliced bread, fruit & milk	31 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni, green beans, apple & milk	Southwest salad w/tajita chicken, black beans, corn, salsa, fruit & veg of the day & milk

All sandwiches are made using whole grain bread, salad is served with a whole grain breadstick & whole grain croutons. Each meal is served with a choice of 1% white, skim, 1% choc or fat free strawberry milk. Water is available during meal, but must be taken in addition to milk. All meals are subject to change without notice. All salads are served with a protein such as yogurt, meat/meat alternative, cheese or egg. Salad is made with romaine lettuce.

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Erving Elementary School Preschool Registration

Erving Elementary School is beginning to register preschoolers for the 2017-2018 school year.

If you have a child who will be either 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2017 and you live in the town of Erving, he/she is eligible to attend preschool at Erving Elementary School.

Please call the school at (413) 423-3326 to have a registration packet sent to you.

Families that currently have a child attending preschool at Erving Elementary School are automatically enrolled for next year and a registration packet will be sent home at the beginning of February.

All registration packets need to be returned by March 10, 2017.

If your child is preschool eligible but will not be attending Erving Elementary School, please call the school and let us know.

If you have any questions, please email Mackensey Bailey, Early Childhood Coordinator, at bailey@erving.com

Register for



Kindergarten

Do you live in the town of Erving and have a child that will be 5 years old by September 1, 2017? Then your child is eligible to attend Erving Elementary School this fall.

Please contact the school at (413) 423-3326 and request a registration packet. Please return all forms by May 12th.

If your child is currently attending Erving Elementary School, he/she will be automatically enrolled for kindergarten and a registration packet will come home in his/her backpack in April.

If your child will not be attending Erving Elementary in the fall, please call the school and let us know.

If you have any questions about the kindergarten program, please email Mackensey Bailey, Early Childhood Coordinator, at bailey@erving.com



...a fun place to
play and learn!

Scholarship Opportunities
Erving Teachers' Association
Erving PTO

The Erving Teachers' Association and the Erving PTO are pleased to announce two scholarship opportunities. Students need only submit one application to be considered for both awards.

Winners of an ETA scholarship of \$300 and a PTO scholarship of \$200 will be chosen after the receipt of a complete application. The scholarship is available to any June 2016 or 2017 high school graduate who has attended Erving Elementary School.

Each application will be judged on academic performance, citizenship, and school and community involvement. Applications are available at the Erving Elementary School office, at your high school guidance office or can be downloaded from the erving.com website.

Completed applications must be mailed to Erving Elementary School by Friday, April 28, 2017.

EES PTO scholarship

Franklin County Technical School

2017 EES PTO Franklin County Technical School Scholarship

The Erving Elementary PTO will be awarding (1) \$200.00 scholarship to a graduating senior of the Franklin County Technical School. The scholarship is available to any June 2017 graduating senior, residing in Erving, who has attended a minimum of one year at the Erving Elementary School.

Each application will be judged on academic and trade performance, citizenship, school/community involvement, and how they will use the money awarded to purchase tools/materials for their trade/field.

Applications are available at the Erving Elementary School office and at the FCTS guidance office.

Completed application forms must be returned to the Erving Elementary School office by Friday April 28th 2017.

Erving Eagles

BASEBALL

& SOFTBALL

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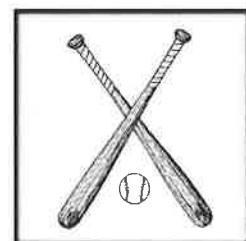
NEW!! Sign up and pay online!

<https://ervingrec.wufoo.com/forms/baseball-softball-2016-registration/>

you can also access this link through the Erving Town Website, under Recreation.

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- Tball - Beginner Ages 4+
 - Rookie Baseball - Grades 1 & 2
 - Minors Baseball - Grades 3 & 4*
 - Majors Baseball - Grades 5 & 6*
 - Girls Softball - Grades 3 - 6

\$25



Playing with the home team means...

Your child has the great opportunity to learn skills and teamwork.

The classroom community is supported on the field.

Our teams stick together for the duration of Elementary School.

Everyone plays in a fun, stress-free environment, with parent coaches who are invested in their team and Erving Residents.

You'll get to meet and build friendships with other parents in the community.

SIGN UP TODAY thru MARCH 10!! - Forms and payment can be put
in the Rec drop box at EES or Erving Town Hall

* No child shall be allowed to practice or play games until sign-up fees or any other outstanding fees are paid.*

Erving Recreation Commission Child Registration Form

Player _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____

Program: (circle) baseball softball soccer basketball

Parent(s) _____

Mom cell # _____ Dad cell # _____ Home # _____

Best contact number: (circle) home mom cell dad cell

Can receive texts: mom yes no dad yes no Email address _____

Alternate emergency contact name & number _____

List Allergies: _____ Medications: _____

Release and Waiver of Liability:

I the undersigned would like my child to participate in the above named program and believe my child is physically able to participate in this activity. I understand that there are risks of injury in participation of activities of this type, and I assume these risks for my child, including the risk of transportation to and from this activity. I agree that the Town of Erving and its agents or employees are released from any and all liability for any injury to my child or to any other person as a result of injury to my child. I understand that the legal effect of this release is to enable the Town of Erving, its agents or employees to avoid any lawsuit for injuries to my child.

I understand that I will be responsible for the transportation of my child to and from practice and games, whether it be by me, by someone else, or I allow my child to walk.

Code of Conduct:

I the undersigned confirm that I have received a copy of the players' and parents' codes of conduct. We will abide by these codes of conduct and expect others to do the same to ensure a positive experience for all.

Can Erving Rec. place a group or individual photo of your child on its website. (circle) YES NO

I have carefully read and understand this agreement _____ Date _____

Uniforms: circle sizes

SHIRT

Size	YS	YM	YL	YXL	AXS	AS	AM	AL	AXL
Chest	34-35	36-37	38-39	40-41	38-40	40-42	42-44	45-47	48-50
Avg. Age	7-9	9-11	11-13						

PANTS

Size	YS	YM	YL	YXL	AS	AM	AL	AXL
Waist	23-24	24-26	26-28	28-30	25-28	28-30	30-34	34-38
Avg. Age	6-8	8-10	10-12	11-13				



TINY TYKES

**FUNDAMENTAL
SOCCER SESSIONS
FOR AGES 3-6**



Erving Recreation is pleased to announce the return of the Challenger Sports' TinyTykes Program in association with Challenger Soccer Academy for Spring 2017.

TinyTykes is a new and exciting program that teaches basic soccer skills while developing strength, balance, coordination, listening skills and teamwork for children aged 3-6. The curriculum has been developed by soccer experts, child development professionals and experienced coaches, ensuring a positive soccer experience for your child!

Join us every **Saturday morning** for 6 weeks and interact with our licensed & Professional International coaches. Register online today!

Gain Soccer Skills, Develop Motor Skills, Have Fun, and become a TinyTyke for life!!

**May 6th - June 10th
@ Veterans Field**

9am-10am 3-4yrs

10am-11am 4-6yrs

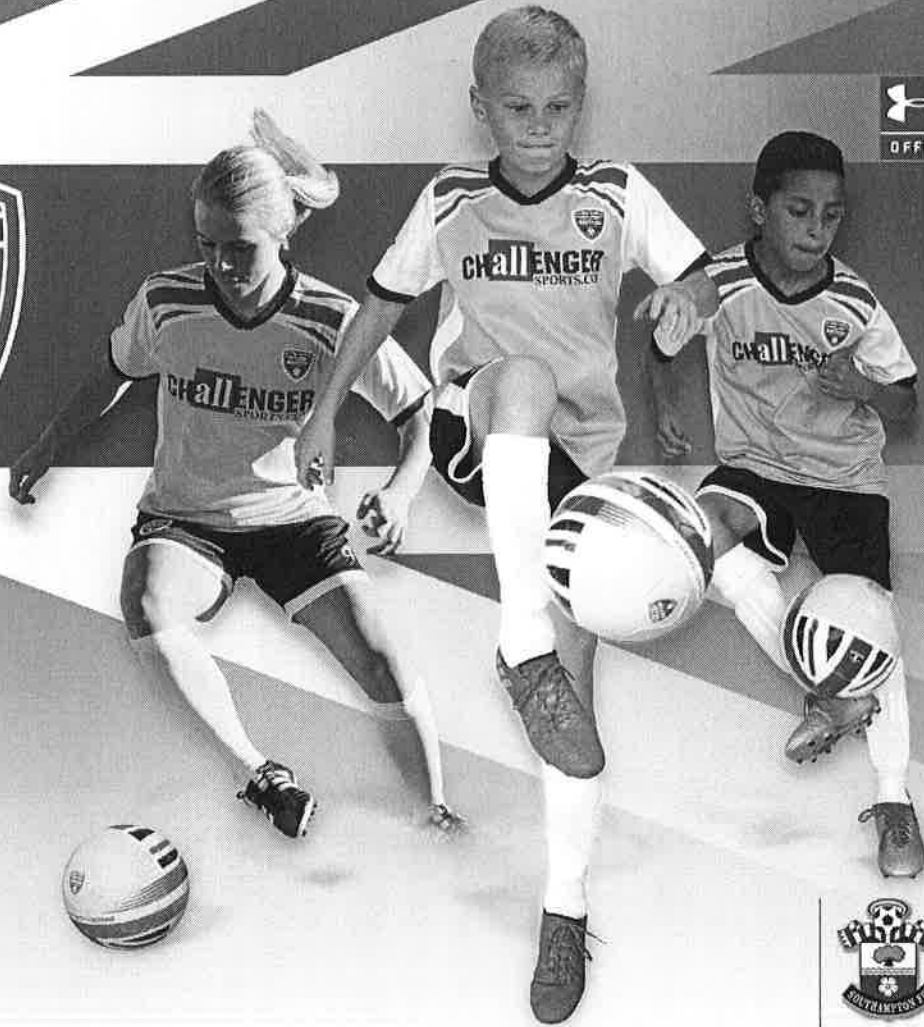
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FREE GIFTS!



REGISTER AT WWW.CHALLENGERSPORTS.COM





SOCCER CAMP

The Most Popular Soccer Program in North America!

Erving Recreation

July 24th - July 28th

@ The Erving Elementary School, Erving, MA

Mini Soccer:	8am-9am	3-6yrs	\$85
Half Day:	9am-12pm	7-14yrs	\$145
Full Day:	9am-3:30pm	8-14yrs	\$190
High School:	5:30pm-7:30pm	13-18yrs	\$100

FREE GIFTS!

This camp includes a FREE Soccer Ball, Camp T-shirt, poster and access to TheChallengerWay.com

FREE SOCCER JERSEY!

Register online before June 9th to receive a FREE British Soccer Jersey (S&H fees apply)

REGISTER ONLINE AT
CHALLENGERSPORTS.COM



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A TRIP TO
ENGLAND TO
WATCH PREMIER
LEAGUE TEAM
SOUTHAMPTON FC!

For more information
please contact your local
Challenger Sports Regional
Director, Mo Abarak:

P: 401-213-0465
@ mabarak@challengersports.com

**This Camp must Comply with
Massachusetts State law and be
licensed by the local Board of Health
Department**





100 MILE CLUB

UPCOMING DATES:

March 4th at EES
April 1st at Old Deerfield
and every Wednesday
at EES 1:30-2:30



100 Mile Club® Update

The program is progressing well. We now have 17 students and 4 staff that have reached the 25-mile mark, 3 students who have reached 50 miles, and 2 students who have reached 75 miles! Great job everyone and keep up the good work!

Is your child looking for more opportunities to walk and gain miles? Members of the Erving Recreation Committee are offering a walking time every Wednesday afternoon from 1:30-2:30 PM. Families are also strongly encouraged to join their student and log their own miles. Remember that incentives are given for walking 25, 50, 75 and 100 miles.

If your child is interested in joining the Wednesday afternoon walking group, please complete the permission slip below and have your child return it to the office no later than Wednesday morning each week. Please note: parents will have to **sign a new permission slip each week**. Check in Friday's Erving Express Newsletter for the weekly permission slips.

The plan is to walk outside whenever possible so please be sure that your child comes dressed appropriately – sneakers, winter jacket, hat and mittens. In the event of inclement weather, the group will walk in the school. A water bottle is also strongly encouraged. All students must be picked up by 2:30 PM.

If you have any questions please contact Gail Dubreuil, School Nurse at (413) 423-3326.

I give permission for my child, _____ (please print student's name), to participate in the 100 Mile Club® Wednesday afternoon walking group on **March 8, 2017** from 1:30-2:30 PM.

I will be joining my student in the afternoon walking.

My student will be picked up at 2:30 PM by _____

My student will be going to the After School program at 2:30 PM

Parent Signature: