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Friday – May 26 Grade 5 Science Fair 9-3

Monday, May 29 No School – Memorial Day

Special Education

Basic Rights in Special Education
Annual Workshop
Sponsored by the Erving School Union #28
Special Education Parent Advisory
Committee
with Prudence Marsh, Director of Student
Support Services
Monday, May 22, 2017
Erving Elementary School Conference
Room
9:30 am-10:30 am

Please join us for this opportunity to ask questions and gain valuable information about the special education process.

Grade 6 Students

If your 6th grade student will not be attending the Great Falls Middle School in the fall, would you please call the school to let us know. Please call the office at 413-423-3326.

Preschool News

If your child will not be attending preschool at EES in the fall, please call the school at (413) 423-3326 and let us know so we can take your child off our enrollment list.

Kindergarten Registration

If you know of an Erving resident that has a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2017, they are eligible to attend kindergarten at EES. If the child is not currently enrolled in the EES preschool, please have the family stop by the school and pick up a registration packet.

All current preschool children who will be moving on to kindergarten need only give the school an updated health and immunization form to be registered.

If your child will not be attending EES in the fall, please call the school at (413) 423-3326 so we can take them off our enrollment list.



News from the Principal's Desk:

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

I feel that my report should carry a warning, especially for part 2!

Part 1: First off, we received notification that the State Highway Department will commence road resurfacing on Rt. 63 - Northfield Road beginning May 30th and lasting for 2 weeks. The section of Rt. 63 includes an area that runs alongside the elementary school. Please plan for possible delays during drop off and pick up of students. Bus drop off at the end of the school day may be slightly delayed.

On a similar note, the Town of Erving Highway Department will commence work on resurfacing the parking lot at the school beginning August 7th through August 17th. This project will impact drop off and pick up for students accessing the Recreation Department Summer Program. We will be working with the Police, Highway and Recreation Departments to establish a drop off/pick up area located on the grass verge between the parking lot and Rt. 63. The Recreation Department staff will provide details closer to the time of the project

Part 2: I wrote some time back about the huge impact social media, television, and to a lesser degree technology has on the development of children. These vehicles are changing the way our children think and focus. They provide access for our children to domains that we may not be aware of. The Internet is certainly helping to spread modern urban myths wider and faster than before. For example, the following details came from various websites after searching for 'Slender Man'. Why Slender Man? Across schools some children are role-playing this character during recess. I could be searching for a variety of characters that are represented in the activities children play during their recess.

Stories of the Slender Man commonly feature him stalking, abducting or traumatizing people, particularly children. He is described as wearing a black suit strikingly similar to the visage of the notorious Men In Black, and as the name suggests, appears very thin and able to stretch his limbs and torso to inhuman lengths in order to induce fear and ensnare his prey. Once his arms are outstretched, his victims are put into something of a hypnotized state, where they are utterly helpless to stop themselves from walking into them. Whether he absorbs, kills, or merely takes his victims to an undisclosed location or dimension is also unknown as there are never any bodies or evidence left behind in his wake to deduce a definite conclusion.

Although nearly all users understand that the Slender Man is not real, they suspend that disbelief in order to become more engrossed when telling or listening to stories. This adds a sense of authenticity to Slender Man legend performances and blurs the lines between legend and reality, keeping the creature as an object of legend. These blurred lines lead children into role-playing activities that may traumatize others.

In an effort to provide a safe, trauma-free environment, we continue to ask students to not participate in role-playing activities that focus on killing, stalking, and behavior that may cause others to feel unsafe. I ask for your continued cooperation in monitoring and screening the content that is made available to your child. I appreciate that this may be difficult, especially if we are not readily available while our children access technology and televisions. There are a number of websites that provide details on how we can activate parental controls to ensure our children can only access appropriate materials all the time.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Jim Trill

All-School Sing & Storytelling

Ms. Ortlip provided us with an entertaining storytelling time with the students adding songs into her story as she told it. What a truly wonderful time everyone had!





We also recognized a student with a Personal Success Award for her willingness to give her time to help other students.













100 Mile Club® Update

We now have 51 students, 9 staff and 2 community members who have walked 25 miles. Super!!

We have 16 students, 4 staff and 1 community member who have reached 50 miles! Wow!

We have 5 students, 2 staff and 1 community member who have reached 75 miles!!! Splendid!!

We have 2 students who have walked more than 125 miles!!! Amazing!!!

Altogether, our students, staff and participating community members have walked a total of 3,920 miles!!!!

Invitations for all students who have earned the Pizza and Bowling Party were sent home in backpacks today.



Grade 5 is Hosting a Science Fair

Friday, May 26th 9:30am - 2:45pm

Please come visit and support our 5th grade scientists. There's sure to be something that everyone will find interesting:

5 Senses
Parachute Designs
Slime
Soda Explosions
Bottle Flips
Balloon Expansions
Paper Airplanes
Potato Eye Growth
The Acidity Throughout the Water Cycle
Soap Explosions
Popcorn
Race Cars
Peeps
Teeth Stains
Fish Bait

Bouncing Balls



Laini the Library Lion says Reading is a FAMILY AFFAIR!

MORE READING TIPS from the LIBRARY

helpful ideas to make reading at home even more appealing

* It is ALWAYS fun to <u>listen</u>
to a good book, no matter
how old you are. Just because your
child can read independently
DOES NOT MEAN you stop
reading out loud to him or her--it
simply means you have more books
to choose from.

* Listening to audio books is also a fun way to "read" a book. Don't worry--most books nowadays come on CDs or as e-books.

Pop-Up Adventure Playground

This year's version of Boxville!

Saturday

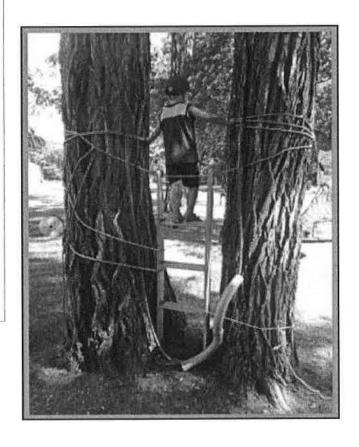
June 3rd

10 am - 1 pm

Wendell Town Common

(rain date, June 4th)

BYO Picnic lunch



Tons of loose parts, boxes, tubes, rope, fabric & found objects ready for your creativity. (more "supplies" welcome!!)



Free event. Families from all towns welcome.

(Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult!)

Erving Recreation Commission



July 5 - August 16th

8:30 am - 3:15 pm

*Introducing Free Breakfast & Lunch!!

Now Accepting Applications

Ages 5 - 12 years old

The summer program is held at the Erving Elementary School (in the gymnasium, cafeteria, and outside on the playground). Activities consist of Arts & Crafts, Sports, Field Trips on Wednesdays, Swimming at Lake Wyola on Fridays, and more.

Applications are available at Erving Elementary School, Erving Library, Erving Town Hall, or at www.erving.ma.org (to download and print).

\$10.00 Registration Fee per application (this includes a t-shirt)

\$50.00 per week for Erving residents. \$75.00 per week for non-residents.

85 MUSEUMS & CULTURAL EVENTS 10 FRIDAYS. 100% FREE FREE FUN FRIDAYS!



Lyric Stage Company of Boston Mary Baker Eddy Library The Sports Museum Clark Art Institute The Mount: Edith Wharton's Home Worcester Art Museum Peabody Essex Museum The Discovery Museums



Boston Children's Museum
MIT Museum
Norman Rockwell Museum
Springfield Museums
EcoTarium
Maritime Gloucester
New Bedford Whaling Museum
The Gardens at Elm Bank (Mass Hort)

JULY 7

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
New England Historic Genealogical Society
Ventfort Hall Mansion and Gilded Age Museum
Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center
Amelia Park Children's Museum
Falmouth Museums on the Green
Pilgrim Hall Museum
Children's Museum in Easton
The Hall at Patriot Place

JULY 14

Edward M. Kennedy Institute
The Metropolitan Waterworks Museum
Harvard Museums of Science & Culture
Larz Anderson Auto Museum
Provincetown Art Association and Museum
Edward Gorey House
Museum of Russian Icons
Cape Ann Museum



JULY 21

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
Tanglewood
Boston Athenæum
The Museum of the NCAAA
Fruitlands Museum, The Trustees
Spellman Museum of Stamps & Postal History
Lynn Museum
Hancock Shaker Village
Sandwich Glass Museum

JULY 28

JFK Presidential Library and Museum
Commonwealth Museum
Arnold Arboretum
The Eric Carle Museum
Berkshire Theatre Group
Historic Deerfield
Cape Cod Museum of Art
Wenham Museum
Tower Hill Botanic Garden

AUGUST 4

Commonwealth Shakespeare Company Old State House The Greenway Carousel Fort Devens Museum Children's Museum at Holyoke International Volleyball Hall of Fame The Old Manse, The Trustees JFK Hyannis Museum

AUGUST 11

Franklin Park Zoo
Fuller Craft Museum
Cape Cod Maritime Museum
Worcester Historical Museum
Griffin Museum of Photography
Fitchburg Art Museum
Jacob's Pillow Dance
Smith College Museum of Art
Naumkeag, The Trustees

AUGUST 18

The Institute of Contemporary Art/Boston
Old Sturbridge Village
Freedom Trail® Foundation
Buttonwood Park Zoo
Cape Cod Children's Museum
Concord Museum
Berkshire Museum
Emily Dickinson Museum

AUGUST 25

Boston Harbor Islands National and State Park USS Constitution Museum Plimoth Plantation MASS MoCA Nantucket Whaling Museum The Children's Museum of Greater Fall River Museum of African American History Cape Cod Museum of Natural History Heritage Museums & Gardens





















100 Mile Club® Update

The program is ending with a roar! We now have 51 students, 9 staff and 2 community member that have reached the 25-mile mark; 16 students, 4 staff and 1 community members who have reached 50 miles; 5 students, 2 staff and 1 community member who have reached 75 miles; and 2 students who have walked more than 100 miles! Great job everyone and keep up the good work during our last month of the program.

The last Wednesday afternoon walking group will be this Wednesday, May 24, please complete the permission slip below and have your child return it to the office no later than Wednesday morning.

As a reminder, all students that walk at least 25 miles by the end of the day on Wednesday will be eligible to attend the pizza and bowling party on Wednesday, May 31.

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 last 100 Mile Club® Wednesday afternoon walking group on May 24, 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: