

EAGLE EXPRESS

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Monday – May 8

All-School 100 Mile Club® Walk & Sundae

Wednesday – May 10

May Hanging Basket – pick up at EES
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Tuesday – May 16

School Council Meeting – 3:30 pm
School Committee Meeting – 7:00 pm

Wednesday – May 17

“Savings Makes Cents”

Thursday – May 18

All-School Sing – 2:30 pm – Gym

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-10:30am**

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

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.

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.



News from the Principal's Desk:

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,



Our whole school will be celebrating World Walking Day on Monday, May 8. Students and staff will be walking with members of the community at a Recreation Department sponsored event, beginning at 2pm. We will be walking around the lined track, which is located on the Elementary School fields. Please join us for this celebration event. I hear there may be an ice-cream treat for all walkers ☺

Earlier this week our whole staff had the opportunity to work with Chip Wood, a distinguished educational trainer who has worked with many school systems across the United States. During the next three years Chip will be working alongside our staff as we collaborate on building our adult community. Over the next few weeks I will share aspects of our work, as I feel the outcomes will play a major part in strengthening our relationships across all areas of the Erving community. This week we worked on the key aspects of relational trust. I have selected one aspect, taken from the attached document. Please take the time to join us on this journey by reading the attached article.

Personal Regard for Others – “Any actions taken by a member of a role set (i.e. paraprofessionals, administrators, parents) to reduce others’ sense of vulnerability affects their interpersonal trust...” “When school community members sense being cared about, they experience social affiliation of personal meaning and value. Such actions invite reciprocation from others and thereby intensify the relational ties between them.”

I cannot let this time go by without expressing my own personal regard and recognition of our whole staff. Each day I witness so many acts that lift the hearts of students and staff. It may be in the form of a simple hug that makes the day seem a little more manageable, or extra time and attention set aside to support a student who may be experiencing a struggle with their work, a special lunch with a classroom teacher, or recognition of a child’s perseverance. The list is endless, yet so important. A parent said to me earlier today, Erving Elementary School is such a special place to begin their child’s educational journey.

Next week we all have an opportunity to say a special thank you to the staff of Erving Elementary School for their continued care and attention towards our children.

Teachers give us so much. A boost of confidence when we really need one. Extra help when we’re having trouble. A welcoming presence when everything else seems out of control. And though we know we can’t ever thank them enough, we can take a moment during National Teacher Appreciation Week to share our appreciation for the special educators in our lives. (NEA.ORG)

On Thursday May 11, I would like to arrange for our community to deliver a special message to all of our staff. I am asking parents and guardians to help us provide a small means of appreciation, through either written notes, cards, or some other token of appreciation. If you can offer assistance in any way it would be most appreciated. It might be that you are able to provide an item that we can put onto the table during lunchtime, food, flowers, or ??? Please connect with Pat Nauman (413-423-3326 ext. 221) if you would like to donate something, a baked item, salad, fruit, soft drink, chips and dip, or a special dish that you feel we would love to taste. Cards and notes can be dropped off at the office, or sent in with your child. Our hope is that we can hang the cards and notes all across the staff room as a form of decoration ☺. Thank you all in advance of your support.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Jim Trill



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.

May Hanging Baskets – Fundraiser (benefiting Grades 3 & 4)

If you have placed an order for May Hanging Baskets, they will be available for pick up on Wednesday, May 10th from 1:30-5:00 pm. Thank you for supporting the students at Erving Elementary School. ☺



News from After School

Happy May, Everyone! Spring is finally feeling like it's here to stay, and things are hopping at After School! We've been busy winding down our cooking class for the year (there are only 3 classes left!), exploring more about STEM, and having fun with crafts and our peers.

Here's what's happening next week:
Monday, 5/8: "On the Menu" cooking

class: Child-Friendly Hummus
Tuesday, 5/9: STEM experiment: Build Your Own Grass House
Wednesday, 5/10: Don't Fall in the Water! game
Thursday, 5/11: Pet Clouds
Friday, 5/12: Bookmark Corners

We are always open to new ideas and donations for craft projects, STEM experiments, etc., so if you have any, keep us in mind!

See you at After School!!!

Dramamine and Field Trips

This is just a quick note to clarify the regulations for use of Dramamine and other over-the-counter (OTC) motion sickness medications for field trips. Like all other OTC medications, before it can be given, the school must have on file a current, signed order from the primary care physician stating what medication is to be given, the dosage, why it is needed (a diagnosis) and when it is to be given. To avoid this extra work, it is recommended that children be given motion sickness medication **before** coming to school in the morning. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further please call (423-3326) or email (dubreuil@erving.com) Gail Dubreuil, the school nurse.

LOST AND FOUND

With the end of the school year approaching, we urge you to stop in and check the lost and found for items that students may be missing.



Second Grade Math Morning

Recently, second grade families were invited into school to see an authentic math class. Students and parents alike were actively engaged in thinking about numbers, playing games to solidify and further mathematical thinking, and enjoy a light snack too. 😊 Students loved teaching the adults in the room how to play certain games, and parents enjoyed seeing how a math class is run. Please be encouraged to attend a community math event soon!





Second Grade Morning Math



Erving Recreation Commission



SUMMER **Park Program**

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.



The Erving Recreation Commission presents

May 8

World Walking Day

2:00-2:45

Erving Elementary

Please be aware
that if it rains on
Monday, May 8th,
this event will be
cancelled.

ERVING
festivities

A whole school walking opportunity at EES! Ice Cream provided by the Recreation Commission after the event.



100 MILE CLUB

UPCOMING DATES:

Walk every Wednesday

at EES 1:30-2:30

June 9 & 10 at the

Relay for Life

Milestones Party May 31

“The Ugly Duckling” DVD

Copies May Be Ordered - \$3.00 each

Each year when the All School Play is performed, the school creates a DVD for families to consider purchasing. If any families are interested in buying a DVD, please send in an envelope (with “DVD Request” on the outside) \$3.00 and the following form.

Child’s Name: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Child’s Grade: _____

How Many DVD’s: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Once the envelope is given to the office, a DVD will be sent to families via the student when it is ready.





100 Mile Club® Update

The program is progressing well. We now have 20 students, 4 staff and 1 community member that have reached the 25-mile mark, 4 students, 2 staff and 1 community members 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 **May 10, 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: