

# EAGLE EXPRESS

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## News from the Principal's Desk:

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

Welcome back to the start of another exciting school year. It is lovely to have all of the students back with us. An abundance of smiling faces, non-stop chatter, and the click of cameras taking those important first-day pictures; all wonderful first impressions! Thank you parents, grandparents, and guardians for taking the time to stop by and visit with staff and students over the course of these first few days. There were many comments about how beautiful our school grounds and building looked. A testament to the hard work put in over the summer by Gary Porlier, Thomas Duffy, and Mark Levasseur. One area of the school clearly stands out, The Butterfly Garden! A special thank you to Rinky Black and Pam Ososky for their continued dedication to providing our whole community with a beautiful, relaxing garden, filled with lots and lots of color, aromas, and butterflies.

Thank you, Chief Chris Blair and Superintendent Jennifer Haggerty for taking time out of your busy schedules, to help open school, greet students, parents and bus drivers. We look forward to your continued presence as we create a safe, welcoming, and engaging environment for all of our children.

The PTO is providing an incredible offer on Mums! The plants are only \$7.50 each, and are enormous. A flyer was sent home on the first day. Please take one evening a month to get involved in our PTO (Their next meeting is Tuesday September 6 @ 6:15pm, dinner is provided at 5:45pm). There are literally hundreds of ways to be involved depending on the amount of time you have. There are opportunities to help in the classroom, library, recess, and cafeteria. We send home important information about events each week in our newsletter. From time to time we must send home important information with students outside the

newsletter, so it is a good idea to check backpacks daily. Other places for news and information include the school website ([www.erving.com](http://www.erving.com)), the bulletin boards, and flyer rack near the office. From time to time we may also make automated or personal phone calls to parents so it is important we have your current phone numbers listed.

We are pleased to introduce some new faces at Erving Elementary School. Beth Flaherty (Grade 5 Teacher), Melissa Martin (Literacy Teacher), Emily Stewart (Art Teacher), Megan Gagne (Kindergarten Paraprofessional), Elizabeth Chagnon (Preschool Paraprofessional), Tracy Saharceski (Grade 2 Paraprofessional), Cassie Putnam (Grade 1 Paraprofessional), Sachiko Butler (Cafeteria Assistant), Gary Porlier (Head Custodian), Thomas Duffy (Assistant Custodian). Please stop by the school to pass along your best wishes to each of them.

Please know that my door is always open to you for discussion, questions and suggestions. I look forward to working together for our students.

All in all, a fabulous three days! Please have a safe and exciting Labor weekend, and we will see you all next Tuesday September 6.

Sincerely,

Jim Trill



# September

## Monday, September 5

No School – Labor Day

## Tuesday, September 6

After School Program Begins  
PTO Meeting 6:15pm

## Wednesday, September 7

Kindergarten and Preschool-4 year olds begin

## Thursday, September 8

Preschool-3 year olds begin

## Friday, September 16

Picture Day

## News from the Cafeteria

We would like to remind all parents and guardians that children attending Erving Elementary School receive breakfast and lunch at no cost, however, there are still outstanding lunch bills from last year. Most are prior to January, others are for milk charges.

For clarification: All breakfast and lunch meals are provided at no cost and they include milk. Milk when taken for a home lunch (without the school provided meal) has a cost of \$.40.

If you have any questions, please call Donna LaClaire at 423-3326, ext. 232.

## School Pictures

**Friday, September 16**

Picture Day Forms will be sent home on Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please give the school office a call.

## News from After School

After School Program will begin on Tuesday, September 6. All students who wish to attend the program must have a registration form on file each year. If you would like a new registration form, please call the school office and we will send one home with your student.

## Form Reminder

If you have not already done so, please return all forms (Emergency Card, Health History, Permission to Transport, Etc). If you need more copies, please call the school office.

## Bus Behavior

If your child rides the bus please go over the importance of following the bus rules.

The rules are few: stay seated until reaching your destination (home or school), use quiet voices, no eating or drinking, keep hands and feet to yourselves. Should there be a problem students should let the bus driver and principal know as soon as possible.

## School Start Times

We would like to remind parents that the school day begins at 8:45am and all students should be seated and in class at that time.

Monday	Grades K-6 Preschool	8:45am – 3:15pm 8:45am – 3:00pm
Tuesday	Grades K-6 Preschool	8:45am – 3:15pm 8:45am – 3:00pm
Wednesday	Grades K-6 Preschool 4-year olds	8:45am – 1:15pm 8:45am – 1:00pm
Thursday	Grades K-6 Preschool	8:45am – 3:15pm 8:45am – 3:00pm
Friday	Grades K-6 Preschool	8:45am – 3:15pm 8:45am – 3:00pm