

# EAGLE EXPRESS

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**Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**  
No School for Observation of  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Thursday, Jan 18<sup>th</sup>**  
PK Coffee Hour  
5:30pm in the Conf Rm

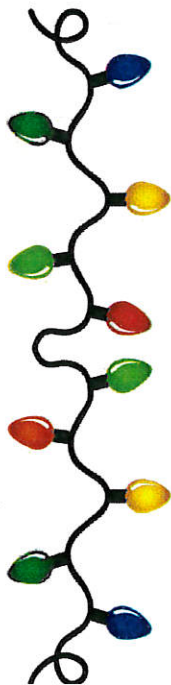
**Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
PTO Meeting at 5:30pm  
Childcare available

**Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Savings Makes "Cents"



The Cookie Exchange and Concert were a huge success. The students all preformed beautify. This year's concert had the largest turn out by parents and guardians ever. A big thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make it all happen. We collected over 3000 cookies and were able to share them with the community members who came to see our program. Enjoy the photos of our festivities.





Coming Soon.....

We had a professional photographer at this event and you will soon find the photos in a slide show on our website. If you are intrested in a copy of a particular photo please contact the office at 413-423-3326, Ext 222

### 100 Mile Club® Upcoming Morning Walking Dates

Upcoming morning walking dates for the remainder of January are the 19<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. February walking dates are the 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. We meet in the EES foyer at 8:00AM and walking indoors until 8:30AM. Parents are not required for the student to attend but are always welcome!

Remember, if your child walks at least 25 miles before January 29 they will be invited to our pizza party of January 31<sup>st</sup>!





## News from the Principal

Happy New Year to everybody! Our return has been somewhat fragmented; however we finally made it back into school following a couple of snow/cold days. Thank you for your understanding during the cold snap last week. Closing school is always a difficult decision to have to make, especially when the weather does not want to cooperate and stay on its projected course. Canceling school on Thursday turned out to be a good decision, as we experienced a burst pipe in the front lobby area. Gary and myself spent a few hours cleaning up the water damage, which thankfully was restricted to the front entrance, hallway, and a small section of the office. Gary's immediate response to the situation saved us from a much more damaging spill. We also had a frozen/damaged sprinkler head, which was immediately repaired by Absolute Fire Protection of West Springfield. We are so fortunate to have such dedicated custodians. Gary, Carlo and Collin came in on Thursday and Friday to shovel, snow blow and clear up from the storm. They often brave the bitter cold temperatures, to make sure our school is safe and ready for the students and staff. Thank you to the fire department for checking in with the school throughout the recent cold spell.

Wendy (my wife) and I have been getting a taste of student life over the past few weeks. We have been studying for the U.S. Citizenship Test ☺. Just like we do for our students, we made flash cards for all of the questions, taking turns to test one another over breakfast and dinner. Today is the day we go for our interviews and tests!! Both of us will be a little anxious, mainly because of the magnitude of the decision, however we will also be enjoying the moment. Next week, I hope to be able to confirm that we both passed the test and will be moving on to the next step in the process.

Enjoy the long weekend. See you back at school on Tuesday.

Sincerely,

Jim Trill  
Principal

## After School Program



Belonging • Encouragement • Respect

Hello from After School,

After School was super busy this week trying to fit in all of the fun activities we missed due to the snow and cold. This week we worked on STEM building Apple Towers.



The rest of the week we did a go shovel the snow game, during cooking class we made muffins, a dodge ball game, Lego robotics on Thursday and decorate a snowflake. Next week your students can look forward to pin the nose on the snowman, making grilled cheese in cooking class, penny boat challenge, robotics class and a scavenger hunt. If you have some pennies kicking around we could use them for our penny boat challenge. Have a great weekend and we will see you on Tuesday as Monday is off for Martin Luther King Day.

Michelle Fisher ☺



## All School Sing.....

What a great All School Sing we had this week. The Students music focused on the celebration of Martin Luther King Day



Mr. Trill came to deliver some special awards. Trent received an award for continuous respect.



Malachi received an award for helping Mrs. B.C. decorate the gym for the Holiday Concert.



Chase received an award for raising money for Safe Path during a hot chocolate run.



Mr. Polier received an award for always working hard to ensure we are all safe here at school at anytime of the day or night.

## Please check our Lost and Found



If you have time please stop at school to look through the Lost and Found. Our collection of items is growing and we want to be sure you have all of your students belongings.



As the weather keeps changing please be sure that you are dressing your students appropriately. The students participate daily in outdoor recess. Therefore, proper clothing is essential for the student to remain warm during their outside time. Please help your student to wear a winter coat when needed, long pants, hats, mittens and boots.

## PTO Movie Day Fundraiser



Save the date!!!!

February 10, 2018

9:30 am at Greenfield Cinemas

The After School Program needs your help. We are collecting Box Tops to help fund the activities we do during After School. Each Box Top that you donate gives the After School Program 10 cents. This may not seem like a lot, but if your all



contributing we can help keep the After School Program going. Recently I put together a donation of 850 box tops to the tune of \$85.00. The funds that are generated will allow the After School Program to bring in Mad Science, Karate classes, fund our cooking class or other fun programs.

The Box Tops do not need to be pasted to a sheet, they can be sent to school in a zip lock bag. If you would like a sheet please contact me, Michelle Fisher via email, [fisher@erving.com](mailto:fisher@erving.com). I will also be adding on

to the Newsl

etter each week for those of you who can print one out. Each child that donates Box Tops will be given a small token prize.

The After School Program Thanks you for your help and support

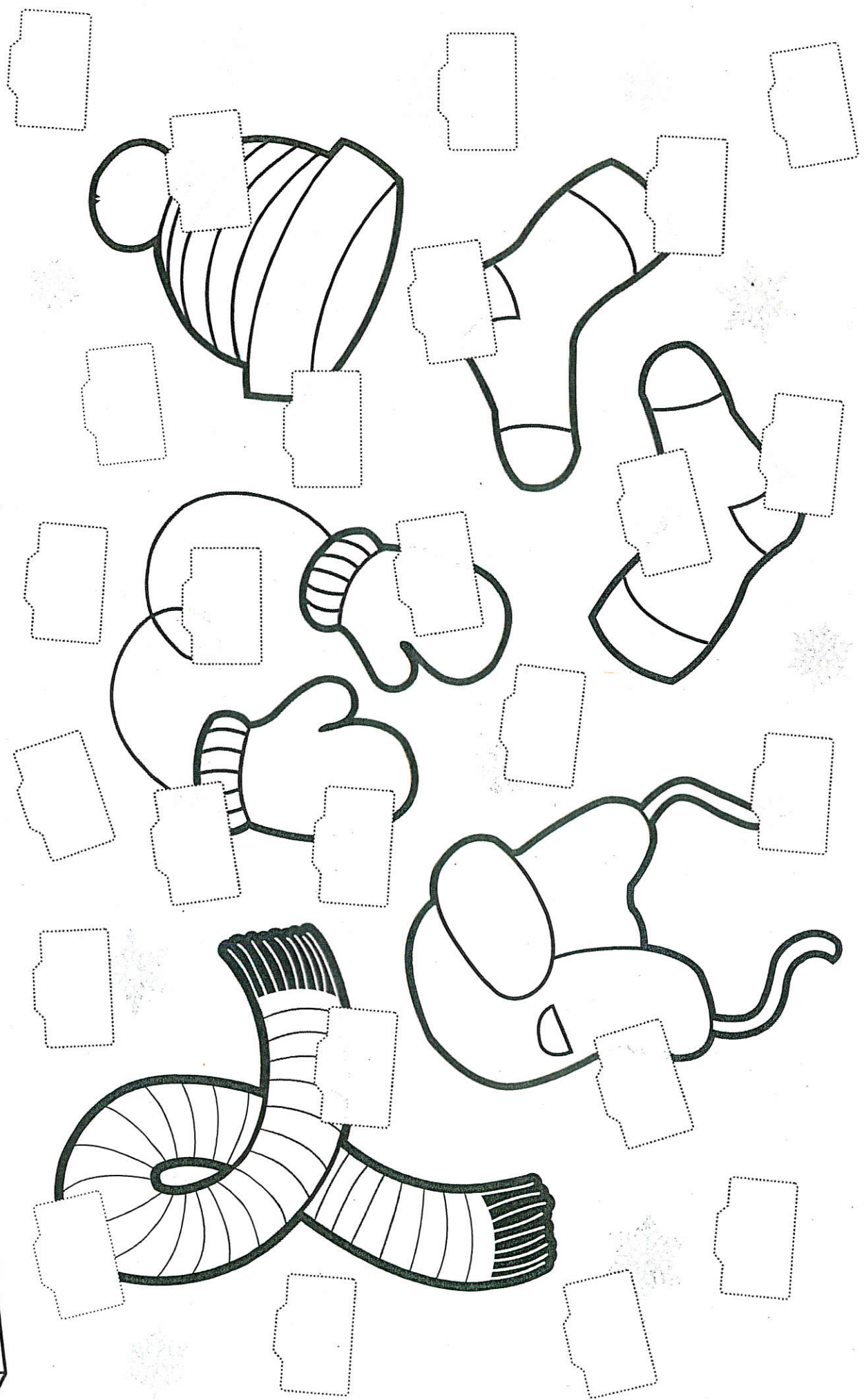
Michelle Fisher



The Six Flags *READ to SUCCEED* program is about to begin here at Erving Elementary School. Any student in Kindergarten through Grade 6 is eligible to earn a summer ticket to Six Flags simply by reading an extra six hours in the next six weeks. Starting tomorrow, Friday Jan. 12 students keep track of what is read using the reading log page. All the other instructions are also on that sheet--each student will get one to take home and there is also one included as part of this newsletter. If parents/guardians have any questions, feel free to contact Ms. Urban by email: [urban@erving.com](mailto:urban@erving.com) or phone: 423-3326 ext. 103



# BUNDLE UP WITH BOX TOPS



Thank you for helping! Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school. Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet - please submit them separately. To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, go to [BTFE.com](http://BTFE.com).

# January - Breakfast 2018

Alternative	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Assorted cereal, fruit & milk	1 Holiday Recess	2 Holiday Recess	3 Breakfast muffin, cheese stick, fruit & milk	4 Waffles, syrup, fruit & milk	5 Blueberry smoothie w/graham crackers, fruit & milk
	8 English muffin w/sun butter, fruit & milk	9 French toast sticks, syrup, fruit & milk	10 Egg & cheese burrito w/salsa, fruit & milk	11 Pancakes, syrup, fruit & milk	12 Strawberry smoothie w/graham crackers, fruit & milk
	15 No School Martin Luther King Day	16 Waffles, syrup, fruit & milk	17 Scrambled eggs & toast, fruit & milk	18 French toast sticks, fruit & milk	19 Peach smoothie w/graham crackers, fruit & milk
	22 English muffin w/sun butter, fruit & milk	23 Pancakes, syrup, fruit & milk	24 Bagel w/cream cheese, fruit & milk	25 Waffles, syrup, fruit & milk	26 Strawberry banana smoothie w/graham crackers, fruit & milk
	29 Breakfast muffins, cheese sticks, fruit & milk	30 French toast sticks, syrup, fruit & milk	31 Sausage, egg & cheese sandwich, fruit & milk	Feb. 1 Pancakes, syrup, fruit & milk	Feb. 2 Blueberry smoothie w/graham crackers, 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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# January - Lunch 2018

Alternative	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Salad/Bowl
Sun butter & jelly sandwich w/fruit & veg of the day & milk	1 Holiday Recess	2 Holiday Recess	3 Toasted cheese & sweet potato fries, diced peaches & milk	4 Chicken nuggets w/ oven fries, sliced bread, applesauce & milk	5 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni w/wax beans, mandarin oranges & milk	NO SALAD THIS WEEK
	8 Wg pasta w/meatballs & sauce, broccoli, mandarin oranges & milk	9 All beef hot dog on a wg roll, baked beans, diced peaches & milk	10 Hamb/cheeseburger on a wg roll, pickles, sliced carrots, fresh apple & milk	11 Turkey & bacon on a wg flat bread w/lettuce, cheese, oven potato, mixed fruit & milk	12 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni w/green beans, diced pears & milk	Greek salad w/kidney beans, black olives, fruit & veg of the day & milk
	15 No School Martin Luther Day	16 Nacho's w/ground beef & cheese, three bean salad, mandarin oranges & milk	17 Garlic bread sticks w/marinara sauce, yogurt, sliced carrots, apple & milk	18 Roast turkey, mashed potato, stuffing, gravy, corn, mixed fruit & milk	19 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni w/wax beans, diced peaches & milk	Southwest salad w/black beans & corn, salsa, chips, fruit & veg of day & milk
	22 Ham & cheese bagel melt, seasoned broccoli, banana & milk	23 Soft beef taco w/sour cream, shredded lettuce, salsa, corn & black bean salad, mixed fruit & milk	24 Chicken patty on a wg roll, sweet potato fries, diced pears & milk	25 Salisbury steak w/mashed potato, sliced bread, pineapple & milk	26 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni w/green beans, diced peaches & milk	Chicken Caesar salad w/parma cheese, chick peas, fruit & veg of the day & milk
	29 Chicken fajita w/sour cream, salsa, lettuce, broccoli, diced peaches & milk	30 Turkey & cheese sub w/bacon & lettuce, fresh apple & milk	31 Ham & cheese sandwich w/tomato soup, pineapple & milk	Feb. 1 Chicken nuggets, oven fries, sliced bread, applesauce & milk	Feb. 2 Pizza Friday - Cheese or pepperoni w/wax beans, diced pears & milk	Fresh romaine salad w/chicken, kidney beans, 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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# 2017-2018 STUDENT READING LOG

Please return this sheet when completed to the school office OR the school library no later than *Monday, Feb. 26, 2018* in case of absence, please call or email Ms. Urban in order to be counted!

**Student Name** (first and last name): \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** Erving Elementary

**Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Teacher:** \_\_\_\_\_

Welcome to the Six Flags® Read to Succeed Six Hour Reading Club!

To participate, you need to read for fun for a total of 6 hours or 360 minutes. You can read books, magazines, newspapers, eBooks or comic books. Reading for homework or a class assignment does NOT count.

This log will help you keep track of all your reading. List what you read and the time you spend reading (use the back of this sheet if necessary). Have a parent or teacher initial this log. When you reach the goal, return this log to your teacher by the date listed above in order to qualify for a free ticket to a Six Flags® theme park. Your ticket will be given to you by your teacher/school coordinator.

Date	What I Read	Time	Parent/Teacher Initials
<b>Total Amount of Time Read (Must be at least 6 hours or 360 minutes)</b>			

Please use the back of this page or additional sheets, if needed.

Parents, if you have any program or ticket questions, you will need to contact your child's teacher or school.

I certify that student named above has completed 6 hours of recreational reading.

I am aware that the one free admission ticket that my child will receive is valid only at ONE participating Six Flags® theme park on **select dates** during the 2018 season. Dates will be included on the tickets. I also understand that late entries will not be accepted, and tickets are NOT valid for anyone over age 13, are not for resale and cannot be replaced if lost, stolen or damaged.

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Parent/Teacher Initials

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in case of absence, please call or email Ms. Urban in order to be counted!



## *Six Flags* READ TO SUCCEED Six Hours Reading Club

Here is what you need to know to earn a FREE Six Flags ticket:

- This club is open to any (and only) Erving Elementary School student in kindergarten through 6th grade
- **Between now and Monday, February 26, 2018**, students need to read six hours (360 minutes) beyond assigned homework--in other words, reading for fun! This works out to approximately one extra hour of reading a week for the next 6 weeks, or fifteen minutes a day.
- Students can read to themselves or out loud to someone else OR students can listen to someone read aloud to them or listen to a book-on-CD or e-book or any other type of online book.
- Students and their parents or guardians **MUST** keep track of the minutes spent reading, and what was read. Students can read books, magazines, newspapers or comic/graphic books--all of those count. But watching "the movie" does not count!
- The tickets will be handed out in June, and are only valid at the Six Flags New England Park in Springfield, MA. We will find out the summer dates in May and let families know ASAP.
- The ticket is only valid for the student who has earned it--the ticket cannot be given or sold to someone else, and cannot be replaced if lost.

***If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Urban,  
EES Librarian at 423-3326 ext. 103 or urban@erving.com***

**Monday, Feb. 26, 2018 is the last day to turn in your log--  
absolutely no exceptions except in case of an illness and/or absence--  
then you must contact Ms. Urban no later  
than Wednesday, Feb. 28 in order to be counted!**