



# EAGLE EXPRESS



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## **Tuesday-Thursday, March 13-15**

Parent/Guardian Teacher Conferences  
1:15 dismissal

## **Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

PTO Meeting 5:30 in staff room  
Potluck dinner/child care available

## **Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

No School-Curriculum Day for Teachers

## **March Vacation Survey**

On March 20th, our School Council will present the data from returned surveys to members of the Erving Elementary School Committee. It is important that your feedback is included in this data. If you have not returned your copy of the survey please do so by the deadline of March 14th. Every student brought home a copy of the survey last week. Additional copies can be requested from the office. Only one response per family will be included in the survey results. The staff has also been invited to respond. Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback.

Jim Trill  
On behalf of the School Council Committee



## **News From the Superintendents Office**

*Dear Parents:*

*Please consider joining me as part of a Parent / Professional Leadership in Education team from our Erving School Union #28. Please contact me by April 1, 2018 at [marsh@erving.com](mailto:marsh@erving.com) if you are interested in this opportunity.*

*Prudence Marsh, Director of Student Support*

### ***2 day training on family leadership:***

Talk with your SEPAC leaders and commit to bringing a team to our **Advancing Parent / Professional Leadership in Education (APPLE) Institute** this spring – a two-day free training on May 3 and 4 in Framingham. It is a great way to help parents develop leadership skills, network with other district teams, and develop a customized district action plan for increased family engagement. Developing a better working relationship with your SEPAC can:

- help make positive things happen in your district,
- increase family engagement which supports student success,
- identify and address issues in your community,
- build a professional collaborative partnership; and
- move your special education program forward.

Please click the following link to review the [APPLE Institute flyer](#).

Spring will be here before we know it, plan now to join us in May!

For more Information about this DESE-supported workshop: [www.fcsn.org/apple](http://www.fcsn.org/apple)



Senator Adam Hinds is hosting a Public Forum on the Fiscal Conditions Challenging Rural School Districts in Massachusetts

This article was run last week in the Express.

Monday, March 12, 2018 from 6:00pm – 7:30pm  
At the Gymnasium, Mohawk Trail Regional School  
[26 Ashfield Road, Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts](#)



## News from the Principal

*Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,*

The School Council Committee will validate returns for the March Vacation Survey. The Council will present the data to the School Committee on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.


Our congratulations to the Erving Recreation boys and girls basketball teams who garnered some wonderful results at their end-of-season tournaments. Grades 5/6 girls placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, grades 5/6 boys placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, and grades 3/4 boys placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. A special thank you to their coaches - Renee Tela, Jess Galvin, Rob Holst, Mark Burnett, Josh Johnson and Clay Brunette. They taught our children more than just how to handle a basketball. Importantly, Erving coaches with great support from parents teach our children how to handle themselves with dignity, showing tremendous respect for their opponents, even when faced with difficult situations. Winning is not everything, playing with a level that gains the respect of opponents, referees, and visiting parents is a lifelong characteristic that will always remain with our children. Thank you to the Recreation Department staff for making this program possible as this opportunity affords students a chance to experience success in a team environment.

By way of fun this week, I attended the Dr. Seuss Birthday Party at EES on Sunday afternoon. Thank you Jane Urban for planning this 'Seussical' event. Roger Tincknell captivated all in attendance with an assortment of catchy tunes that got students and their parents up on the dance floor! At the conclusion of the concert everybody went into the cafeteria to enjoy making 'Sundaes on a Sunday'. On Tuesday night I had a great time watching our grade 5 students and their parent's work together to solve math problems. There was a lot of conversation at each table around how our children were comfortable using different strategies to solve problems. Parents commented on how this event *"provided them with an opportunity to strengthen their understanding of how children today are critical thinkers and problem solvers when presented with math"*. It was wonderful to hear parents at this age group express their comfort level with their child's homework. Not because the work is simple and

easy to understand, but because they were beginning to witness patterns and connectedness around how their children are able to solve problems in multiple ways. Parents are asked to talk with their child about their reasoning and what strategies they are considering when faced with a math question. It is amazing when you have these number talks with your children. We extend a welcome for all parents and guardians to attend the variety of math events throughout the year. Thank you to Polly Wagner and our staff for working on these exciting programs.

Today, Erving hosted a group of educators from the Northampton School District. Math coaches and teachers were here to visit classrooms in order to observe the digital platform for our math Investigations program. It is nice to receive a tip of the hat from surrounding school districts that are keen to learn from your staff. This is a wonderful acknowledgement of the work our staff has carried out over the past 3 years. Our educators literally went back to school in order to learn how to teach math to our students – not an easy thing to start over from scratch and learn new techniques.

Hoping our weather becomes a little more predictable and we get a full week of school!

Sincerely,  
  
Jim Trill  
Principal



Raffle calendars have been sent home with your students. This fundraiser is full of great prizes. Happy selling ☺ Keep you're eyes open for a

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## RESTAURANT & PUB

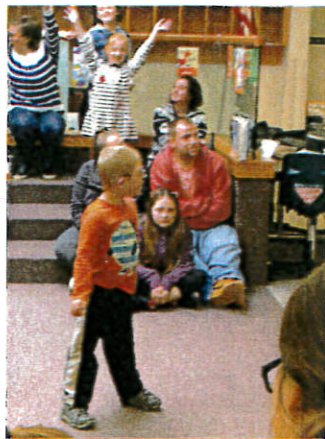
Fundraiser coming soon..... We are hoping to have this for the month of March. Thank you for supporting the Erving Elementary School PTO.



# Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party



Roger Tincknell entertained our visitors this past Sunday with his fun and exciting antics. The students enjoyed hearing him sing and perform numerous songs as well as playing all of the various instruments he brought with him. About 100 people attended this program and everyone left with a smile on their face. Thank you to the PTO and MCC for providing this wonderful family event. Please enjoy some of the photos from the event.



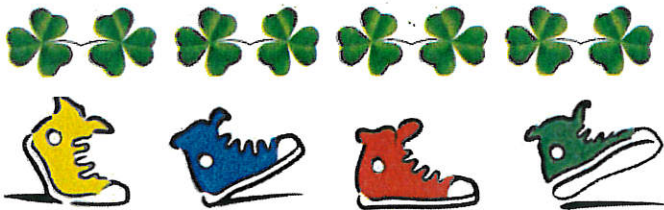
# After School Program



Hello from After School,

Well Old Man Winter is causing a ruckus with our after school plans.... Due to the snow on Wednesday and Thursday After School was canceled. The students will enjoy making tacos next week. Dancing Raisins was a fun activity for our Friday. We have a guest coming next week during conference week to do water rockets with the students. I am looking for some supplies to do this activity. If anyone has coffee can plastic lids, electrical tape, packing tape that they would like to donate, I would appreciate your help supporting the After School program. This should be very fun and exciting. We will construct our rockets and our guest will return to help us launch our rockets once the weather is nicer. Other activities for next week include Lego day, parachute adventures, pine cone bird feeders, pasta cooking class, STEAM Balloon Blow, Play dough adventures and Friday free day. Hope you all have a great weekend and we will see you

Michelle Fisher



## 100 Mile Club® AM Morning Walking March Dates

Do you want a great way to start your day? Please consider joining a diverse group of kids and adults for a morning walk inside the school! We meet in the foyer at 8AM and walk until 8:25AM. We talk and laugh and get in some exercise without even realizing it! The walk is low-stress, non-competitive and requires no athletic ability. During the month of March we will be walking on:

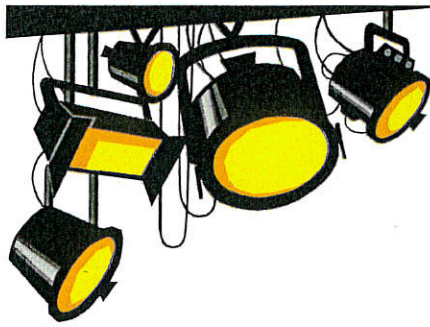
- Wednesday, 3/14
- Thursday, 3/22
- Monday, 3/26



## Family Math Night

A wonderful night of sharing mathematical thinking and ideas! Thank you to all who attended. We are looking forward to seeing you next time.





It's almost that time!

The All-School production of  
**Wizard of Galafree**

Wednesday, April 4th at 10am and 7pm

We need your help building costumes and props. We are looking for:

Large sheets of cardboard or HUGE boxes. Bigger = better!
Wizard costume (cape, hat, staff)
Striped vest or suit coat
Artificial leaves and flowers
Wooden cane
Pantaloon (baggy pants gathered at the knee or ankle)

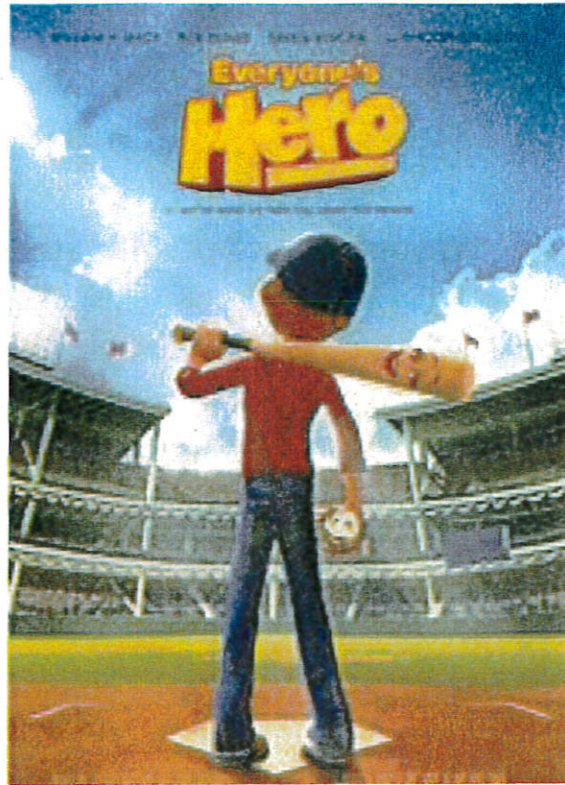
If you have any of these and are willing to lend or donate to us, please have your child bring them to the art room. I will mark them with your name and return ASAP after the play.

Thank you for your help!!

Emily Stewart



# Family Movie Night



**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**Friday March 9, 2018**

**6:30pm**

**Erving Senior Center---1 Care Drive, Erving, MA 01344**

Yankee Irving has a chance to either play it safe or become a hero. Join him and his friends on his funny journey to rescue Babe Ruth's stolen bat before the end of the 1932 World Series.

*Concessions for sale. Suggested donations of \$5/person (max \$20/family)*

To benefit the purchase of yearbooks for the Erving 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduating class

**\*\*NOT A SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT\*\***



# Erving Elementary School Kindergarten Registration

Erving Elementary School is beginning kindergarten registration for the 2018-2019 school year.

If you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2018 and you live in the town of Erving, he/she is eligible to attend kindergarten at Erving Elementary School.

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

**Any child currently attending preschool at Erving Elementary School that will move on to kindergarten next year is automatically enrolled for next year and a registration packet will be sent home with your child at the beginning of February.**

All registration packets need to be returned by May 4, 2018.

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

If you have any questions, please email Mackensy Bailey, Early Childhood Coordinator, at [bailey@erving.com](mailto:bailey@erving.com)



# Erving Elementary School Preschool Registration

Erving Elementary School is beginning to register preschoolers for the 2018-2019 school year.

If you have a child who will be either 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2018 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 16, 2018.

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](mailto:bailey@erving.com)



# *Erving Eagles*

# **BASEBALL**



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# **SOFTBALL**

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## **Sign up and pay online!**

<https://ervingrec.wufoo.com/forms/baseball-2018-sign-ups/>

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

Tball - Beginner Ages 4+

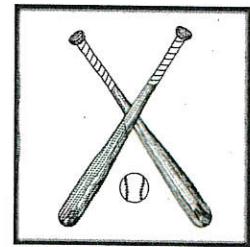
Rookie Baseball - Grades 1 & 2

Minors Baseball - Grades 3 & 4

Majors Baseball - Grades 5 & 6

Girls Softball - Grades 3 - 6

**\$25**



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**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.

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**SIGN UP TODAY thru MARCH 9!!** - 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) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Name & # \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies/Medications \_\_\_\_\_

**Release and Waiver of Liability:** I, the undersigned (legal relationship to youth, e.g., "parent," "guardian") \_\_\_\_\_ of (child's name) \_\_\_\_\_, a minor, do hereby consent to my child's participation in voluntary, athletic or recreation programs of the Town of Erving.

I also agree to forever release the Town of Erving, and all their employees, agents, board members, volunteers, and any and all individuals and organizations assisting or participating in voluntary, athletic or recreation program of the Town of Erving from any and all claims, rights of action and causes of action that may have arisen in the past, or may arise in the future, directly or indirectly, from personal injuries to my child or property damage resulting from my child's participation in the Town of Erving voluntary, athletic or recreation programs.

I also promise, to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Releasees against any and all legal claims and proceedings of any description that may have been asserted in the past, or may be asserted in the future, directly or indirectly, arising from personal injuries to my child or property damage resulting from my child's participation in the Town of Erving voluntary, athletic or recreation programs.

I further affirm that I have read this Consent and Release Form and that I understand the contents of this Form. I understand that my child's participation in these programs is voluntary and that my child and I are free to choose not to participate in said programs. By signing this Form, I affirm that I have decided to allow my child to participate in the Town of Erving voluntary, athletic or recreation programs with full knowledge that the Releasees will not be liable to anyone for personal injuries and property damage my child or I may suffer in voluntary, athletic or recreation programs with the Town of Erving.

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				