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No School-Thanksgiving Recess

December Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 8
PTO Meeting 6:15pm

Wednesday, December 2 "Savings Makes Cents"

Tuesday, December 8
PTO Meeting 6:15pm

Thursday, December 10 PTO Craft Night 5:00-7:00

Reminder

There will be no newsletter next week. The December lunch menu will be sent home on Tuesday, November 24th.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!





Erving Explorers

The Erving Explorers is a free community program for grades 1-6 led by Chad Gagne. The Explorers will discover many of the wonderful activities in our area, from hiking, camping, reading a compass, tubing, kayaking, and fishing. (Children must be accompanied by an adult). If you are interested in joining, please fill out the attached form and return it to the Erving Recreation box located in the school lobby. If you have any questions you can e-mail Chad at: chad.gagne@comcast.net



TAKE A TAG, BUY A GIFT, HELP A FAMILY



The EES PTO is once again joining forces with the EES staff and helping families in need this holiday season. There is a tree in the lobby with tags on it for items we will be collecting. Please pick a tag, purchase the item and return it *unwrapped* to EES. Once collected, the items will be delivered to those who need it. Items range in size and price...please help where you can and help us provide some holiday cheer to some families this season







After School's Cooking Class is Sizzling Hot!

The After School program's Monday cooking class (now called *On the Menu*) has been wildly successful so far. The After School kids are literally gobbling it up! We have enjoyed butternut squash topped with cinnamon and sugar, homemade pretzels, and mac and cheese made from scratch.

To continue to grow this segment of the After School program, your help is needed. We warmly welcome monetary donations to help offset the cost of both food items and other supplies needed for the cooking program.

Better yet, if your child has a passion for cooking, feel free to send him or her to After School on Mondays. His/her tuition for the day will also benefit the program. Everyone is welcome.

Thanks for your support and keep cooking!

Erving Elementary School Thanksgiving Lunch

























News From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

I am sure we are all in agreement that our world is an incredible place to live in. Complex? Extremely so! When you stop for a moment to take a look around at all of the symbolism our children are faced with, we begin to understand just how complex education truly is. Consider these startling facts:

- Of 100 people in the world, only 5 live in Northern America; 60 live in Asia.
- By 2025, our planet will host 37 megacities; 3 will be in the U.S. and 21 are expected to be in Asia.

A megacity is a metro area of more than 10 million population. (Edu Week).

Now take a look at the images our students saw over these past 10 days:



Veterans, Flag at half mast, Thanksgiving celebration, Christmas Giving Tree, News headlines from France,

With all that is happening in our world today, I believe one of the most challenging questions is; how do we educate our children to be successful?

Each day educators, parents, grandparents, and members of our community work tirelessly to answer so many questions about how to best support our children. There is no one magic solution that will prepare students for tomorrow, but giving them a well-rounded education, in addition to plenty of love and caring can, and will help. One of the critical things that students today need to succeed is the ability to work as a team. They need to understand how to communicate, compromise, and understand their own needs, as well as being able to understand and respect the needs of others. I am sure that we all appreciate how very difficult it is to educate our children today, when compared to the days of old.

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, and in this week of recognizing the work of educators, I would like to take a moment to say a big thank you to the staff of Erving Elementary School. On behalf of the Erving community, please accept our sincere thanks for your tireless work and dedication to our children. We truly appreciate your sacrifice and commitment to providing Erving students with the very best range of educational opportunities. Have a wonderful, peaceful, relaxing time with your family and friends this Thanksgiving week.

To all members of the Erving community, on behalf of the Erving staff, thank you for your support, and our best wishes for a safe and relaxing Thanksgiving week.

Sincerely,

Principal



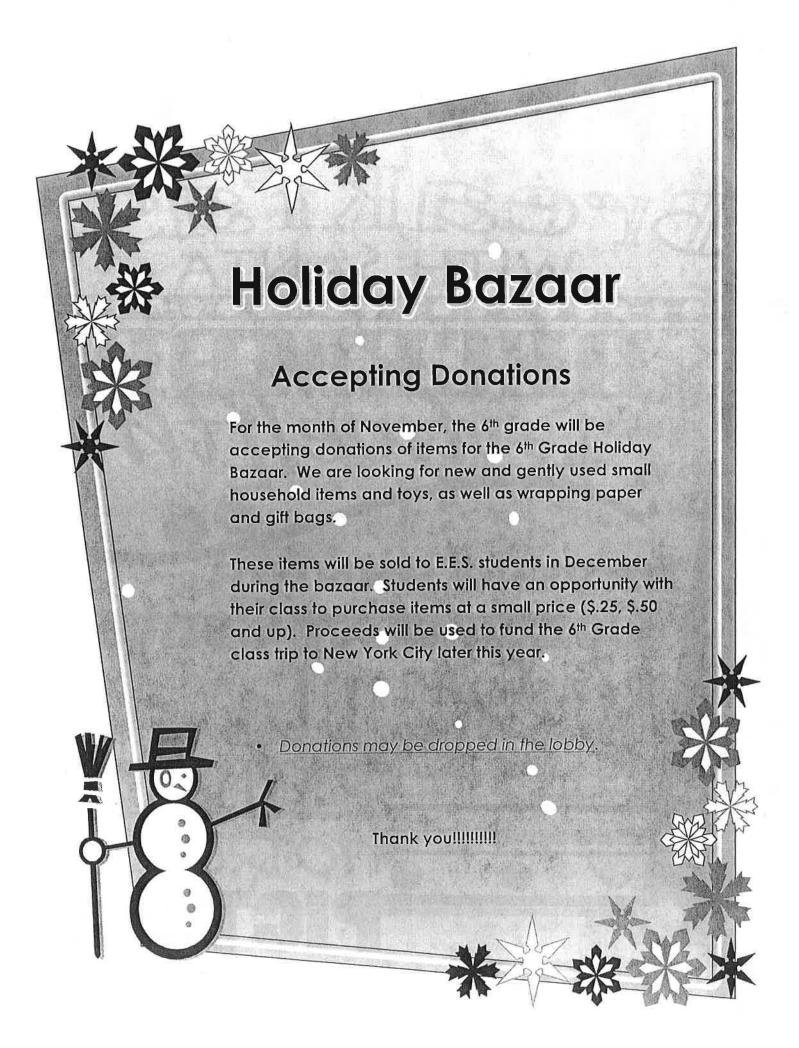


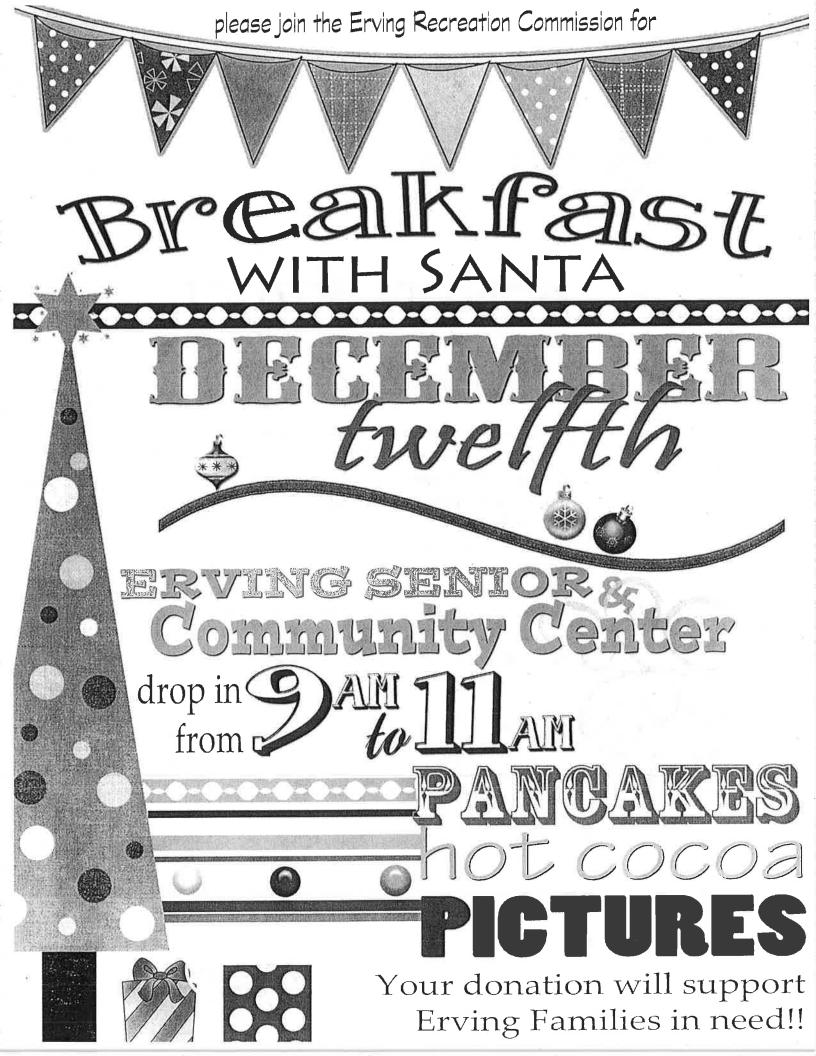


Looking for used picture and chapter book donations which will be sold to raise money for a Buddy Bench on the Erving Elementary School playground

A "Buddy Bench" is a bench to sit on during recess if you don't have a buddy to play with. Friends will find you and ask if you'd like to come play with them. This helps friends not be lonely.

Books can be dropped off at EES in the box in the foyer. Questions? Please call Taryn McDonough at 422-2404. Books can also be picked up if needed.





Erving Eagles Basketball Sign-Ups Ongoing Now through December 11th!



Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grade – Instructional

3rd and 4th Grade Boys and Girls Teams

5th and 6th Grade Boys and Girls Teams

\$25 per child

Fill out the registration form and drop it off with payment in the Rec Box in the School Lobby, the Rec Center on 18 Pleasant Street, or the Rec Drop Box at Town Hall. Final registration forms are due by December 11th.

*practices start later in December, and are generally on weekday evenings at the Elementary School.

Games are played on Saturday mornings.

Print off additional forms here: http://www.erving-ma.org/forms/68-recreation-commission

Sponsored by the Erving Recreation Commission

* 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		¹	J.U.B. & Ag	е	Grade
Program: (circle)	baseball	softball	soccer	basketball	e:
Parent(s)				IC	
Home #	Mom cell	#		_ Dad cell #	
Best number to conta	act: (circle)	home	mom ce	ll dad	cell
Can receive texts: n	nom yes no dad yes	no Email	address		
Alternate emergency	contact name & num	ber			
Does your child have	e an allergies?				
Does your child take	any medications				<u> </u>
this activity. I understand the including the risk of transport from any and all liability for	of Liability: te my child to participate in the nat there are risks of injury in ortation to and from this active any injury to my child or to nable the Town of Erving, its	participation of a ity. I agree that t any other person	ctivities of this t he Town of Ervir as a result of inj	ype, and I assume these ng and its agents or emp ury to my child. I under	risks for my child, loyees are released stand that the legal
I understand that I will be r else, or I allow my child to	esponsible for the transportat walk.	ion of my child to	and from practi	ce and games, whether i	t be by me, by someone
Code of Conduct: I the undersigned confirm to conduct and expect others to	hat I have received a copy of to do the same to ensure a pos	the players' and particle to the state of th	parents' codes of for all.	conduct. We will abide	by these codes of
Can Erving Rec. pla	ce a group or individu	al photo of y	our child on	its website. (circle	yes no
I have carefully read	and understand this a	greement			Date
<u>Uniforms</u> :					
Shirt & Pants Size:	Youth Small	Youth Med	lium Y	outh Large	Adult Small
	Adult Medium	Adult Larg	ge A	Adult X-Large	Adult XX-L
Hat Size:	Child	Adult		* Hats and pants only for	baseball and softball.



Erving Recreation Commission Child Registration Form

Child D.O.B. & Age	Grade
Parent(s)	
Home # Mom cell # Dad cell # _	
Best number to contact: (circle) home mom cell	dad cell
Can receive texts: mom yes no dad yes no Email address	The state of the s
Address:	
Alternate emergency contact name & number	
Does your child have an allergies?	
Does your child take any medications	
Release and Waiver of Liability: I the undersigned would like my child to participate in the above named program and believe my child is phy this activity. I understand that there are risks of injury in participation of activities of this type, and I assume including the risk of transportation to and from this activity. I agree that the Town of Erving and its agents of from any and all liability for any injury to my child or to any other person as a result of injury to my child. It effect of this release is to enable the Town of Erving, its agents or employees to avoid any lawsuit for injuries	these risks for my child, or employees are released understand that the legal
I understand that I will be responsible for the transportation of my child to and from practice and games, whe else, or I allow my child to walk.	ther it be by me, by someone
Code of Conduct: I the undersigned confirm that I have received a copy of the players' and parents' codes of conduct. We will a conduct and expect others to do the same to ensure a positive experience for all.	abide by these codes of
Can Erving Rec. place a group or individual photo of your child on its website. (c	circle) YES NO
I have carefully read and understand this agreement	Date



Join us for a fun night making holiday inspired crafts!

THURSDAY DECEMBER 10[™], 5-7:00 PM EES CAFETERIA

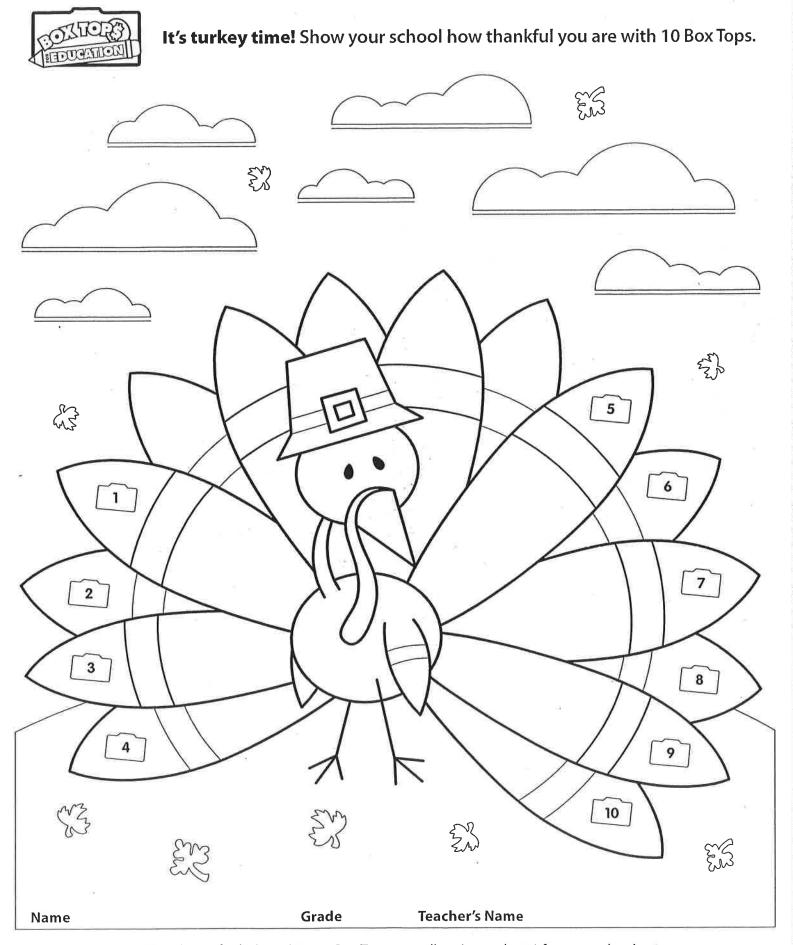
All materials provided free!

Dinner will also be served.

Bring a friend and enjoy a night of fun and crafting.

Stay tuned for more details!!





Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school. For more collection worksheets and projects, go to www.boxtops4education.com/activitycenter