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Friday, October 23 Curriculum Day- No School

Wednesday, October 28
FAIR Storytelling Night 6:00-7:30
Free Dinner starts at 5:15

Friday, October 30
Picture Re-takes
PTO Halloween Social 6:00-7:30

Reminder

There is no school on Friday, October 23rd Curriculum Day

SCHOOL PICTURES

Retakes/Absences - Friday, October 30

Picture retakes are scheduled for Friday, October 30.

Retakes:

1. Send the package you are returning to school with your child. Keep your class picture. Pictures will not be taken without this package.

Absences:

- 1. Send the picture order form with payment included to school with your child. Your child will not have their picture taken without this form and payment.
- 2. If you need a new form, please call the school and we will send one home with your child.

Parent Survey and Lunch Survey

Erving Elementary needs your help. It is important we receive your feedback on how EES can improve meeting the needs of our students. So far we have had a minimal response.

We would like you to please take a few minutes of your time and fill out the two short questionnaires attached to this newsletter.

The Parent Survey is to provide information to your school Superintendent, Jennifer Haggerty, on how we can better our school.

The Breakfast Lunch Survey will provide us information as to how we can improve our program to better meet the needs of our students and still provide nutritious meals.

It is important that we receive feedback from the school community to better the school for our students.

Surveys can be returned to the school office.

Save The Date

Mark your calendars! We are looking for volunteers to help with the all-school

Thanksgiving Dinner on

November 19th

If you would like to volunteer, please call the school at 413-423-3326





VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

To all of our dedicated veterans: We would like you to be our special guest at our Veterans Day Program on Tuesday, November 10th at 9:30 am in the Erving Elementary School gym.

Please call the school at 423-3326 to let us know if you would like to attend our program and inform us of any special accommodations you may need.

We would also like to invite family members of our veterans, parents / guardians and community members to join us in honoring our veterans. Our assembly will include students escorting our honored guests to the gym, the Pledge of Allegiance, a performance by our chorus, as well as various other selections that will honor our guests



FAIR Storytelling Night

There are still two chances to attend "Family Adventures in Reading". This series of special events with renowned storyteller Mary Jo Maichack is particularly for 1st through 4th grades, but all are welcome. A free family-friendly supper is included. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Afterschool Reminder

Parents and Guardians of After School Program Students:

Please be sure your child has a snack (food and beverage), as well as warm clothes and sneakers for the After School Program. We want to be sure everyone is well fed and warm!

Also

Supplies Needed for After School Program

The After School Program is ramping up its Arts & Crafts segment and needs your help! Materials are needed for upcoming projects, which include:

Empty pickle jars
Empty baby food jars
Elmer's glue and/or Modge Podge
Paint brushes (foam and bristle)
Borax
Old candles and/or wax that can be melted down
Food coloring

This list will continue to grow and change throughout the year, as new projects are planned. Please keep an out eye for updated materials lists in future newsletters!

> Thank you! Stephanie Mitchell



News From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

Erving students and staff put on a spectacle Wednesday night in celebration of student achievement. Our school was filled to capacity as multiple generations of Erving families (moms, dads, aunts, uncles, grandparents, great grandparents, brothers, sisters, alumni, and the list goes on....) toured our amazing school. Your attendance speaks volumes to all of us who strive to give the very best to our students. Everywhere we turned there was an outpouring of pride, as children smiling ear to ear explained their work to members of their family. Members of our community talked about their joy in seeing children who are so happy about coming to school! Not a lot has changed over the years. Thank you members of the community for staying true to the Erving tradition of standing tall for education. Last night, we all got a small glimpse into our window of happiness. As two grandparents mentioned "We come to the school and always see smiling faces, and people being genuinely happy. It is such a wonderful place."

Thank you to our staff for all of your long hours and dedication to showcase the best of our students.

Next Friday October 30, provides us with an opportunity to 'scare each other a little'. It will be *eerie* seeing the school full of ghosts, ghouls, action heroes, villains, princesses, and many more familiar faces. Thank you to our P.T.O. for putting on this star-studded night of fun and excitement for our children. We expect the event will be well supported by parents, families and the odd ghoul or two! Hope to see you on Friday.

On Friday October 23, all Erving staff will be joining Union 28 staff at Leverett Elementary School for our professional development. We will be working together in Professional Learning Community (PLC) Teams. We are working with Antioch Professor Susan Dreyer-Leon, a leader in the field of Action Research. Our plan is to work on our Theory Of Action in the area of instruction and learning.

A special thank you to Beth Palmquist and the team of medical personnel who sponsored a 'Blood & Guts' evening to help raise funds for our grade 6 students. It was a heart-stopping success ③. There were many activities that everybody literally wanted to get their hands, feet, and hearts into. Thank you to all members of our extended community who came along in support of our grade 6 students, who are working hard during their final year with us at Erving Elementary School.

This week all students went through a lockdown while in transition to and from lunch and recess. There were many students out and about when the lockdown was put into operation by state and local police. Congratulations to all of our students and staff for handling the situation in a safe, organized, and respectful manner.

The old saying, 'The Show Must Go On', came to life today at Erving. With Ms. B. C. having to leave due to illness, our grade 6 students stepped into the limelight to lead our All-School Sing. We send all our best wishes to Ms. B. C. for a speedy recovery. The students and staff 'raised the roof' with renditions of many familiar tunes. We even had the opportunity to recognize the following members of our community who 'Make a Difference' in the lives of our community: Reid P, Emma S, Aiden S, Madison S, Pam Ososky and Rinky Black. Thank you for all of your continued work serving our community with pride.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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Preschool News





The preschoolers have been spending every Friday exploring and learning outside in the forest. It has been amazing to share this experience with many different members of our school community! Some of our favorite activities have been; hunting for winter green leaves, gathering acorns, climbing trees, building bridges, singing with Mrs. O, exploring with the 6th graders, having outdoor breakfast with our families, going on nature hikes, and having lots and lots of imaginary adventures. Hooray for Forest Friday!



6th Grade Fundraiser

Wished you had time to have a tag sale, but didn't get around to it?
Help the 6th grade raise money for their end of year New York City field trip!

The 6th grade class will once again be hosting the holiday tag sale for students.

The 6th grade will be accepting donations of new and gently used "tag sale" items to use for their fundraiser.

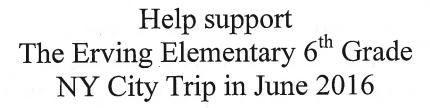
(No clothes please)

Gift bags and wrapping paper are also welcome.

Collections will start in November.

Can & Bottle Drive









The 6th grade will be running an ongoing can & bottle drive throughout the school year.



Anyone wishing to donate their cans & bottles to this cause can call:



Eric Myren at 413-423-3755



He will arrange for drop off or pick up. Please do not drop off at the school.













Union #28 Family Café Nights for Families of Children with Special Needs

2015-2016 Schedule

Co-Sponsored by the Erving School Union #28 Special Education Parent Advisory

Council and Community Network for Children Program



Wednesdays from 6-7:30pm

- · September 23 Erving Elementary
- October 21 Leverett Elementary
- November 18 Erving Elementary
- January 20 Leverett Elementary

- February 24 Erving Elementary
- March 16 Leverett Elementary
- May 18 Erving Elementary

Come Join Us!

We are offering a parent facilitated group for all parents/guardians living in Erving, Leverett, New Salem, Shutesbury and Wendell who would like support in managing day to day with their young children. Does your child have a diagnosed or un-diagnosed special need? Do you find it challenging to find someone you can talk to who understands what you are going through? Take part in discussions and get connected!

This group will be designed to focus around the needs of the child/family in the home environment. We will connect to provide informational resources and emotional support and networking. Families with children not yet in school and in elementary school are welcome.

If you have questions please use the following Union #28 Contacts:

- o SEPAC Parent Contact, Erica Wise spryngtree@yahoo.com /413-367-9771
- o CNC Program Coordinator, Gillian Budine Budine@erving.com / 978-544-5157
- Director of Student Support Services, Prudence Marsh marsh@erving.com / 413-423-3331

Preregistration required if child care is needed.

Please contact Gillian, CNC Coordinator, at 978-544-5157 with the following information:

- Name and phone #
- If you need child care (MUST respond with the following info if you are using child care)
 - o Age(s) of child(ren), # of child(ren), if there are special considerations for child care. We try our best, but at times may not be able to meet all needs due to staffing.

Supported with funds from the CFCE grant through the Department of Early Education and Care and the Union #28 Special Education Parent Advisory Council.





September 1, 2015 - June 30, 20

All programs suitable for newborns through preschool age. Call 978-544-5157 for more info or find us on

Combination of free play, music, movement, books, and nursery rhymes at all programs!

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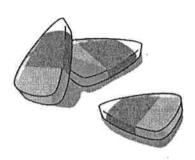
These programs are supported in part by grant funds from The Massachusetts Department of Early Education. These programs are also supported by the Friends of the M.N. Spear Memorial Library, Friends of the Wendell Free Library, Shutesbury Elementary School, Erving Elementary School, Swift River School, and donations from friends in the community.



HALLOWEEN

OCT. 30, 2015 6-7:30PM

THERE WILL BE GAMES WITH PRIZES



A COSTUME
CONTEST WITH
PRIZES FOR:
Prettiest
Scariest
Most creative

There will be:

- · Movies
- · Crafts
- · Yummy treats to eat

Please bring a yummy treat to share



An adult must accompany all children Sponsored by the EES PTO