

EAGLE EXPRESS

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

November

Wednesday, November 4
"Savings Makes Cents"
FAIR Night 6:00-7:30pm

Monday, November 9
End of First Trimester

Tuesday, November 10
Veteran's Day Program 9:30am
PTO Meeting 6:15-8:00pm

Wednesday, November 11
No School-Veteran's Day

Thursday, November 12
All School Sing 2:30

November 17-19
Parent/Guardian Conferences 1:15 dismissals



Time Change
Sunday, November 1st

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

November 4th and November 18th are the last 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.

Afterschool Reminder

Cooking Class Starts Monday November 2nd

Children will learn about the food that they prepare, nutrition, and basic cooking skills.

Also

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!

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,

Our Veterans Day assembly will take place on Tuesday November 10 at 9:30am. This is a wonderful opportunity for the entire Erving community to show our respect for the people who serve our country with such courage and pride. We expect to have a large turnout of veterans from as far as Vermont. Please ask local veterans to contact Megan Gagne at our school so they can be included in our program. Veterans who have the role as a parent or grandparent are especially welcomed. They will have the honor of being escorted into the gym by their (grand) child. We look forward to a full house on the 10th.

The Erving **ghouls** will be out in full force tonight and tomorrow. Please take a moment to remind our children about safety whenever walking on the sidewalks, crossing the road, and talking with strangers. Adults should check food items before children eat them. This is not to say that all adults will consume every bit of chocolate ☺ please leave some for your child!!! We hope to see you tonight at the PTO Halloween Social from 6-7:30pm at Erving Elementary School.

Thank you for your donations to our grade 6 Holiday Bazaar. There is a collection bin in the front lobby where items can be dropped off before and after school.

Parent conferences are coming up on the 17th, 18th, and 19th of November. Please take a moment to talk with your child around what do they expect you to hear during their conference. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to spend some quality time talking with your child about their educational progress, and how you can be of support to them, especially reading, writing and math.

We need your feedback to help us plan for the start of our **FREE breakfast and lunch program** beginning on January 4, 2016. Thank you if you have already completed the survey and returned it. I would like to see 100% response so that we can be well informed about what we need to order, thus helping reduce food waste. Please take a couple of minutes to complete and return the survey – we have attached an additional copy for you to use.

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Sincerely,

Jim Trill



Parent/Community Survey

The purpose of this short questionnaire is to provide me as the new superintendent of schools with information about our school community.

1. What do you see as the school's greatest strengths?
2. What do you see as the school's greatest areas of growth?
3. What should be preserved at your elementary school? What should be changed?
4. Based upon your knowledge about our school community, what should the top three priorities be for the superintendent of schools and the school committee(s)?
5. Please tell us about yourself. This information will help me to organize the responses. Check all that apply.

- ☐ Parent/Guardian
- ☐ Community Member
- ☐ Erving
- ☐ Leverett
- ☐ Shutesbury
- ☐ Swift River
- ☐ Other Community (Please identify) _____

Please respond to the following questions:

1) Will your child participate in the FREE breakfast program?

YES

NO

2) How can we ensure your child enjoys breakfast?

3) Will your child participate in the FREE Lunch program?

YES

NO

4) How can we ensure your child enjoys lunch?

5) If your child does not participate, how can we improve the program to better meet their needs? (Optional feedback).



SHARPEN YOUR MATH SKILLS WORKING WITH TECHNOLOGY?



Come join our amazing...

AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMY!

Beginning November 10, Erving Elementary School is offering an opportunity for students in grades 3-6 to be immersed in a technology-based learning environment. Students will be introduced to a variety of S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) projects to help them solve challenging questions about our environment.

Who is eligible?: All students need is a willingness to learn.

Transportation: Provided to specific locations in Erving (Bus will depart EES at 4:30pm and make stops at Prondecki's and the Town Hall).

Dates: Tuesday and Thursday every week

Session 1: November 10 – December 17

Session 2: January 12 – February 25

Session 3: April 26 – June 02

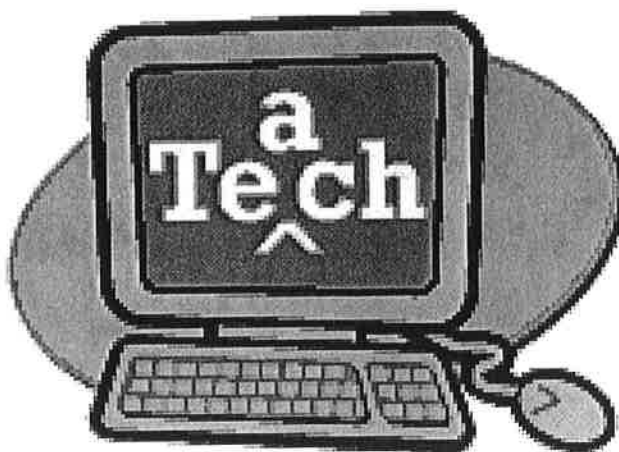
*** There is no cost.**

Time: 3:15 – 4:15pm

Place: EES

Phone: 413-423-3326

Organizer: Tom Smith



Program open to first 15 applicants. Applications can be picked up at the school office, or sent home with student (at the request of parent or guardian). Or online at www.erving.com.

ERVING ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMY REGISTRATION FORM 2015-2016
(Rolling registration until all seats are filled)

Child's Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

DOB _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____

Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone _____

Parent/Guardian Work Number _____ Emergency Number _____

Physician _____ Phone _____

Physician's Address _____

Does your child take medication? _____ Type of medication _____

Does your child have allergies? _____ Type of allergies _____

Does your child have dietary needs? _____ Specify the needs _____

Any additional needs that the staff should be aware of? _____ Please Explain _____

My child, _____, should ride the bus, and be dropped at the following location: _____

_____ Prondecki's store, West High Street, Erving

_____ Erving Town Hall, East Main St. (corner High St. / Rt. 2), Erving

Please check off the After School Academy Session(s) your child would like to attend:

☐ Session 1

☐ Session 2

☐ Session 3

EMERGENCY PICK-UP INFORMATION (IF YOU CANNOT BE REACHED)

1. Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship _____

2. Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship _____

Please list people your child may be released to:

Please list people your child MAY NOT be released to:

EMERGENCY PERMISSION

I give permission for my child, _____, to participate in all activities that are part of the Erving After School Academy. I give permission for the After School Academy staff to attend to any emergency that may occur during the session and seek medical attention, if necessary. I understand that if I cannot be reached, the staff will contact one of the emergency names I have listed.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

YANKEE CANDLE | FUND-RAISING



We earn 40% on everything sold!

6th Grade

Help us get to New York City!

How to order:

1. Easiest way - Visit www.yankeecandlefundraising.com and enter group number **990088717** in the "Start Shopping" box (beige colored box about halfway down the home page).
2. Ask a 6th Grade student to see the catalog to order.
3. Stop by the office and review the catalog and order there.

Delivery 2-4 weeks from receipt of orders

Checks made payable to: Erving Elem School



Holiday Bazaar

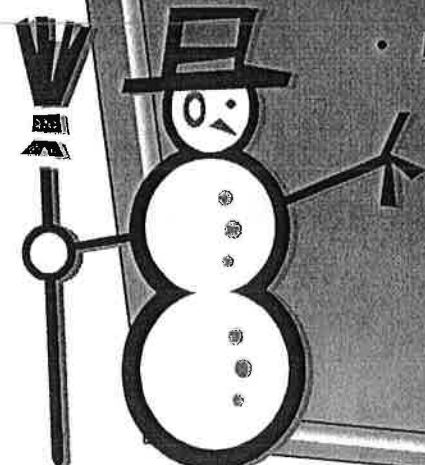
Accepting Donations

For the month of November, the 6th grade will be accepting donations of items for the 6th Grade Holiday Bazaar. We are looking for new and gently used small household items and toys, as well as wrapping paper and gift bags.

These items will be sold to E.E.S. students in December during the bazaar. Students will have an opportunity with their class to purchase items at a small price (\$.25 and \$.50). Proceeds will be used to fund the 6th Grade class trip to New York City later this year.

- Donations may be dropped in the lobby.

Thank you!!!!!!!!!!





HALL**O****WEEN**
10-31-15

Rag Shag Parade

**Join the
Erving Recreation Commission
for the annual Halloween Parade.
Begins at 5:30 at the
Park Street Park and ends
at the Erving Fire Station #2.
Enjoy goodies and treats for
the whole Family!**

START YOUR NIGHT OFF RIGHT!

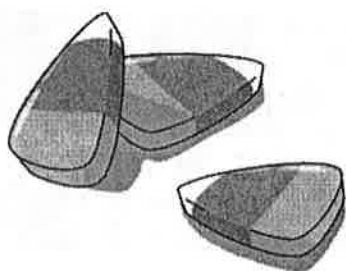


YOU'RE INVITED

HALLOWEEN **SOCIAL**

OCT. 30, 2015
6-7:30PM

THERE WILL BE GAMES WITH PRIZES

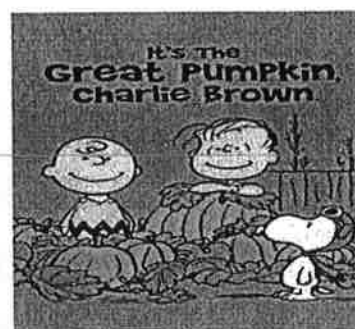


**A COSTUME
CONTEST WITH
PRIZES FOR:**
Prettiest
Scariest
Most creative

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

November – Lunch -2015

Alternate	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Salad bowl
Ham & cheese sandwich w/black bean & corn salad, fresh veggies & dip, fruit & milk	2 Chicken nuggets, rice, steamed broccoli, applesauce & milk	3 Hamb/cheeseburger on a wg roll, oven potato, diced pears & milk	4 Pasta w/sauce & cheese, wax beans, wg bread stick, diced peaches & milk	5 Salisbury steak, mashed potato, wg roll, steamed peas, diced pears & milk	6 Baked potato w/cheese sauce, wg dinner roll, baby carrots, melon & milk	Chicken fajita salad w/shred ched cheese, salsa, black beans & corn, fruit & milk
Tomato soup, wg breadstick, toasted cheese sandwich & cheese stick, carrots & hummus, fruit & milk	9 Turkey & cheese bacon wrap, celery sticks & baby carrots, banana & milk	10 Veteran's Day No School	11 Italian herb chicken, quick baked potato, green beans, wg roll w/butter, fresh apple & milk	12 Chicken & cheese quesadilla, sliced peppers & hummus, applesauce & milk	13 Meatball marinara sub, steamed peas, mandarin oranges & milk	Apple and cheddar salad bowl w/black olives, chick peas, fruit & milk
Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, fresh veggies, dip, three bean salad, fruit & milk	16 Ham & cheese bagel melt, baby carrots and dip, peaches & milk	17 Chicken paty, rice, broccoli, three bean salad, fresh apple & milk	18 Beef sloppy Joe on a wg roll, baby carrots, pineapple & milk	19 Roasted turkey, mashed potato & gravy, corn, dinner roll, stuffing, cranberry sauce, apple cake, milk	20 Beef shepherds pie, steamed peas, wg roll, diced pears & milk	No Salad Bowl this week
Chicken salad sandwich w/baby carrots & hummus, fruit & milk	23 All beef hot dog on a wg roll, baked beans, fresh apple & milk	24 Nacho's w/ground beef & cheese, salsa, sour cream, corn, pineapple & milk	25 Thanksgiving Recess	26 Thanksgiving recess	27 Thanksgiving Recess	No Salad Bowl this week

All meals are subject to change without notice. Meals are served with fresh or canned fruit & a carton of milk. Water is available during meal times, but must be taken in addition to milk. Salad bowl may consist of cucumber, peppers & or broccoli, black olives, croutons, black beans, kidney beans or chick peas, shredded cheese or chunks, ranch or Italian dressing. Substitutions may be made when certain veggies are not available. All salads are made fresh romaine lettuce, baby carrots & served w a wg roll or ww bread and a protein such as yogurt, cheese, hard cooked egg and or meat.

Lunch daily	\$2.30	Weekly \$11.50	2 Weeks \$23.00	1 Month \$46.00
Reduced	\$.40	Weekly \$2.00	2 Weeks \$4.00	1 Month \$8.00

Ask about the Free/Reduced Lunch & Breakfast program, you may qualify and not know it. Any questions please call the Food Service Department for details @ (413) 423-3326 ext. 232

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November – Breakfast -2015

Alternate	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Salad bowl
Tues – Fri Assorted cereal w/cheese stick or yogurt, fruit & milk	2 Assorted cereal, cheese stick, fruit & milk	3 English muffin, sun butter, fruit & milk	4 Pancakes, turkey bacon, syrup, fruit & milk	5 Scrambled eggs, buttered toast, fruit & milk	6 Strawberry smoothie, graham crackers, fruit & milk	
	9 Assorted cereal, yogurt, fruit & milk	10 Veteran's Day No School	11 French toast sticks, turkey sausage, syrup, fruit & milk	12 Bagel w/cream cheese, fruit & milk	13 Blueberry smoothie, buttered toast, fruit & milk	
	16 Assorted cereal, cheese stick, fruit & milk	17 Fresh fruit, yogurt, buttered toast & milk	18 Pancakes, turkey bacon, syrup, fruit & milk	19 Assorted cereal, cheese stick, fruit & milk	20 Strawberry banana smoothie, giant gold fish crackers, fruit & milk	
	23 Assorted cereal, yogurt, fruit & milk	24 Bagel w/cream cheese, fruit & milk	25 Thanksgiving Recess	26 Thanksgiving recess	27 Thanksgiving Recess	

Breakfast is served w/a choice of 1% White or Fat Free milk & water is available during meal times, but must be taken in addition to milk

Breakfast daily \$1.00

Reduced breakfast daily \$.30

Research shows that children who eat breakfast have higher achievement scores, lower rates of absence & tardiness and increased concentration in the classroom.

What counts as breakfast?

Breakfast that include foods from several food groups provide the most benefit to children, both educationally and physically. Ideally, you want to make a balanced breakfast that consists of protein, fat & carbohydrate. That will prevent drops in blood sugar for several hours, whereas a breakfast of just carbohydrates will sustain a child for only one to two hours.

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