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## EES LAUNCHES FUNDRAISERS - PARENTS BE ON THE LOOKOUT!



Parents may already be aware of the PTO Calendar Raffle which went home last Friday: there are more available in the front office! They are \$5 each, and the deadline at the school is 4/13!

Look for the flyer in this newsletter for the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser! Pura vida bracelets are being sold for \$10. See the flyer for more details!



Today we're sending home flyers for the PTO  
**Chocolate Fundraiser...**  
see more info below!



The PTO is also sending out a flyer in this newsletter for a Rollerskating Fundraiser for the 6<sup>th</sup> graders class trip to NYC! They could use some help with donations: baked goods, juice/soda, chips and even small GC donations for a raffle, if anyone is willing to donate.



**Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>**  
School Committee Mtg  
7 pm

**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
CNC Parent Workshop  
5:00 – 8:00 pm

**Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**  
CNC Play Group  
10:00 – 11:30 am

**Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**



**Tuesday, Wednesday,  
& Thursday  
March 17, 18, & 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Teacher / Parent /  
Guardian Conferences  
Early Dismissal 1:15 pm

**Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Savings makes "Cents"

**Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Math Coffee Hour  
8:30 – 9:30



### **PTO Chocolate Fundraiser!**



Erving Station  
Handmade Chocolates  
will be available for  
sale. Flyers went home  
on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>,  
and we will be taking  
orders until  
Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Candy will be  
delivered for pick-up  
on Wednesday, April  
8<sup>th</sup>, in time for Easter.

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## From The Principal's Desk:



Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

I would like to thank the 6th grade class, as well as Officer Holst, for inviting me to the D.A.R.E. graduation on Monday night at the French King Bowling Alley. D.A.R.E. is a police officer-led series of classroom lessons that teaches children how to resist peer pressure and live productive lives. I am thrilled that our 6th graders had the opportunity to participate in this highly acclaimed program that empowers our youth to respect others and choose to lead lives free from violence, substance use, and other dangerous behaviors. Many thanks to Eric Semb for treating our students and their families to a night of pizza and bowling.

MCAS testing will begin the week of April 6th, for all students in grades 3 through 6. Students are given plenty of time to practice with the tools and strategies that will support them throughout the testing period. Please remember that plenty of rest and relaxation, as well as a healthy balanced meal at the start and end of each day, will go a long way to ensure our children have the opportunity that they need to stay focused and stress free.

Don't forget to add the date of the school play to your calendar - April 1st. Thank you for all that you do to support our school.

Sincerely,

Lisa Candito



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It's (not its)  
**NATIONAL**  
**GRAMMAR**  
**DAY**  
**MARCH 4**

Strong  
grammar makes  
strong  
communicators!







To all of  
our 6<sup>th</sup>  
Grade  
D.A.R.E.  
Graduates!



We would like to acknowledge, and continue to thank Aimee Wood and Katie Stetson for continuing to help us with the salad bar. We appreciate your volunteer help!

If you are interested in being a kitchen volunteer, please contact our kitchen!



**SOARING EAGLES**

PJ and Popcorn  
Party was a SOARING  
Eagle success!





## PRESCHOOLERS GETTING EXCITED ABOUT RAINBOWS!



This week the preschoolers have been learning all about rainbows. They noticed colors that are in a rainbow and colors that are not, they noticed how the colors are always in the same order in a rainbow, and they worked on fine motor skills by cutting out color strips and making a rainbow chain. The preschoolers also helped with a science experiment to see if we could make the colors of the rainbow “travel.”



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## *6th Grade D.A.R.E. Graduation*

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On Monday evening, students from sixth-grade graduated from the 10-week Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) course, at the French King Bowling Center, where they celebrated with pizza, drinks and bowling! A partnership between the Erving Police Department and Erving Elementary School, D.A.R.E. is a 37 year-old program, and has 36 million students enrolled worldwide, teaching them how to advocate for their own best interests.

Erving Police Sergeant Robert Holst, the course instructor, awarded diplomas and discussed the important connection between students, parents, the school, and police department in working together to help students find strategies to deal with difficult situations. He thanked students for being invested in the program and its ideals.



Students and Sgt. Holst posing in new shirts they received for graduation.

Thank you to Sergeant Holst for giving his time and expertise to students! Also, a HUGE thank you to Erik Semb and Tracy Saharceski (Ms. S), from the French King Bowling Center, for again providing the facility, pizza, drinks and bowling to our graduates and families, along with giving up your evening for us. Your donation of resources and time is truly appreciated!!!

- Mr. Burnett and Ms. Galvin



# Erving Elementary School Kindergarten Registration

Erving Elementary School is beginning kindergarten registration for the 2020-2021 school year.

If you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2020, and you live in the town of Erving, they are eligible to attend kindergarten at Erving Elementary School.

Please pick up a registration packet at the school or contact 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 in February.**

**All registration packets need to be returned by March 30, 2020.**

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 Mackensey 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 2020-2021 school year.

If you have a child who will be either 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2020 and you live in the town of Erving, they are eligible to attend preschool at Erving Elementary School.

## **\*NEW THIS YEAR\***

There will be two opportunities to register your child at school:

**Tuesday, Feb 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm-7:00** (tour and meet staff)

**Wednesday, Feb 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:00** (tour and meet staff)

More information about these events will be mailed to each family

**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 in February.**

If your child is preschool eligible but will not be attending Erving Elementary School, please contact the school at (413) 423-3326 and let us know.

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



# Fourth Grade Class Fundraiser

**Show your Erving Elementary School Spirit with a Pura Vida spirit bracelet.**



**Bracelets are \$10 and are one size fits all**

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**Please complete the attached order form and include your \$10 (cash only).**

**Feel free to contact Katie McLaughlin at 617-699-4222 or Jillian Betters at 413-522-6001 with any questions**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Quantity:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The Fourth Grade class thanks you for your support in helping them raise funds towards their sixth grade end of the year adventure to NYC**

**Pura Vida bracelets provide full-time jobs to artisans worldwide and they donate millions to charity through their products that give back!**

# ORANGE ROLLER SKATING



Please join us in supporting the  
6th grade class field trip to NYC!

**FRIDAY  
MARCH**  
13TH 6-8PM

50/50  
Raffle



\$5 ADMISSION  
**INCLUDES**  
SKATE/BLADE RENTAL

Bake  
Sale!

**ORANGE ARMORY 141 E. MAIN ST (2ND FLOOR)**



• WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES

# TOILETING TIPS

When to start? Are they ready? What to do? When to worry?

**THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2020**

AT THE ERVING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
28 NORTHFIELD RD., ERVING

- FREE DINNER & CHILD CARE IF PRE-REGISTERED!
- 5:30-6:00 DINNER
- 6:00-7:30 DISCUSSION FACILITATED BY **SARAH PATTON, LICSW**

BRING YOUR QUESTIONS, CONCERNS AND IDEAS ABOUT WHAT HAS WORKED OR NOT WORKED FOR YOU. APPROPRIATE FOR THOSE WHO ARE JUST BEGINNING OR THOSE STILL 'WORKING ON IT'!

**REGISTER BY CONTACTING THE CNC PROGRAM AT  
BUDINE@ERVING.COM OR (978) 544-5157**

This program is funded in part by the Community Network for Children Program and by donations from our Community!



# UNION #28 FAMILY CAFÉ NIGHTS

INTENDED FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH DIAGNOSED OR  
UNDIAGNOSED LEARNING NEEDS

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**THURSDAYS FROM 6-7:30PM**

- FEBRUARY 27TH AT ERVING ELEMENTARY
- MARCH 26TH AT SHUTESBURY ELEMENTARY



## COME JOIN US!

We are offering a parent-facilitated group for all parents/guardians living in Erving, Leverett, New Salem, Shutesbury, Wendell, who have children with learning needs or extra challenges.

Does your child need additional support in school or daily life? Do you sometimes wish you could talk to other parents about how they handle things like community life, sibling relationships or family dynamics when there are added considerations?

Come join our friendly group of parents for an evening of discussion, connections and exchange of information. This group is designed to focus around the needs of the child/family in the home and community environment. Your child does not need to be formally diagnosed. The range of needs in the group varies from mild to more complex.

Families with children not yet in school and in elementary school are welcome.

*This group is being offered by the Union #28 Community Network for Children Program and Union #28 Student Support Services*

***PRE-REGISTRATION 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)
  - Age(s) of child(ren),
  - # of child(ren)
  - If there are special considerations for childcare.

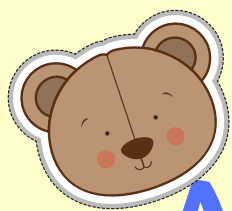
We try our best, but at times may not be able to meet all needs due to staffing.



**THE CNC PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED WITH FUNDS FROM THE CFCE GRANT THROUGH THE MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE, DONATIONS, AND THE UNION #28 SCHOOLS.**



BRING A FAVORITE STUFFIE FRIEND FOR PJ STORIES AND A GOODNIGHT HUG



# STUFFIE SLEEPOVER AT THE LEVERETT LIBRARY

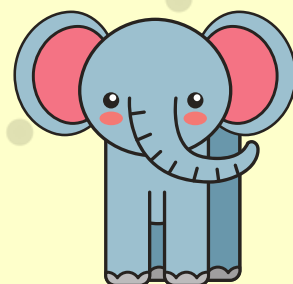


75 Montague Road, Leverett, MA

*Have you every wondered what the library can offer your special stuffed friend? Drop them for a stuffie sleepover and find out!*

## **1** Friday, March 27th PJ Story time with Heleen 6:30-7:30PM

- Register your stuffie (picture, name tag)
- Crafts and Story time
- Children may borrow books from the library
- Tuck your stuffie in to spend the night at the library  
(Please don't bring a stuffie you can't sleep without!)



## **2** Saturday, March 28th 10:30-11:30 am Return in the morning to re-unite with your stuffie!

- Find out what they have been up to overnight
- Receive a small goody bag when you pick up your stuffie.



***Intended for Toddlers- 8 years of age.  
All welcome!***

***No registration required. FREE!***

Contact the Leverett Library at [leverett@cwmares.org](mailto:leverett@cwmares.org) or the CNC Program  
[budine@erving.com](mailto:budine@erving.com) or (978) 544-5157 with any questions!



This program is funded in part by the Union #28 Community Network for Children Program which is funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care CFCE Grant, Erving School Union #28, and by donations from our community!

The Leverett Library is also supporting this program.

# Erving Teachers' Association Erving PTO Joint Scholarship Application

Joint Erving Teachers' Association Scholarship Fund & Erving PTO Scholarship Fund  
c/o Erving Elementary School Scholarship Committees  
28 Northfield Road  
Erving, MA 01344

The Erving Teachers' Association and the Erving PTO are pleased to announce two scholarships in support of the further education of a 2019 or 2020 high school graduate. Any student who attended Erving Elementary School is eligible to apply. We urge you to submit the enclosed application to be considered for the \$300 ETA scholarship and the \$200 PTO scholarship.

Below are the required components of the application process.

**Application Form:** Please fill out the enclosed Joint Scholarship Application Form.

**Official High School or College Transcript:** This will include all coursework, grades, and grade point averages as of April 2020.

**Essay:** Please submit a short essay that relays your motivations and intentions for furthering your education. Include such information as

- your chosen field of study and why that field interests you
- your career objectives, if you have any at this time
- how this assistance will benefit you
- why we should choose you to receive a scholarship

Essays should be typed in 12-point font and double-spaced.

**Reference:** Please submit one letter of recommendation from a teacher or professor.

**Criteria:** Each of the two scholarship selection committees will carefully review all applications and will choose one recipient. Consideration will be given to:

- quality of the essay
- academic success and the applicant's commitment to his/her continuing education
- dedication to school and community

The ETA scholarship will be awarded after the documented successful completion of your first semester for use in your second term.

The PTO scholarship will be awarded in the form of a check, made out to the recipient, at Awards night ceremonies for graduation to be used for first semester expenses.

Please submit your completed application to the address above by April 27, 2020.

The Erving Elementary staff and the Erving PTO members are looking forward to hearing from you. We all send our best wishes as you move into this next wonderful stage of your life.



Erving Teachers' Association  
Erving PTO  
Joint Scholarship Application Form 2020

Please address your application to:

Joint Erving Teachers' Association Scholarship Fund & Erving PTO Scholarship Fund  
c/o Erving Elementary School Scholarship Committees  
28 Northfield Road  
Erving, MA 01344

Deadline: Received by April 27, 2020

Full Name:

*First*

*Middle*

Current Address:

Email address

Phone/Cell phone

Parents' Names

Parent Address

Name of high school graduating from in 2019 or 2020:

Name of post-secondary school you plan to attend:

Check current status

☐

waiting for acceptance

☐

received acceptance notification

☐

registered to attend

Anticipated Course of Study:

Work, Extracurricular Activities, Additional Education & Community Service 2016-2020  
(Your current resumé may be attached instead of this chart.)

Dates

We recommend reading and following helpful suggestions at the Scholarships.com website.:

<http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarship-application-strategies/scholarship-application/>

**ERVING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The Erving PTO has voted to sponsor one \$200.00 Scholarship this year to a graduating Franklin County Technical School senior. We have enclosed the requirements and application for your review. If you wish to apply for this scholarship, please forward your application to the PTO Scholarship chairperson, c/o Erving Elementary School, 28 Northfield Road, Erving, MA 01344. ***Applications must be submitted no later than Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 2020.***

**Scholarship Requirements**

1. The applicant must reside in the town of Erving.
2. The applicant must have attended Erving Elementary School
3. The applicant must be a Franklin County Technical School Senior who will graduate in June.
4. The applicant must be going to work after graduation in the related field/trade that they graduated in.

**Further conditions of the Scholarship Application and Award are as follows:**

1. The application must be returned no later than Friday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
2. A copy of the student's grades from his/her two most recent terms/semesters are required to be submitted with the application.
3. The Scholarship recipient will be given the award in the form of a check at graduation to purchase tools/materials for their trade/field.
4. The scholarship recipients will be voted on at the May PTO meeting and they will be notified by mid-May 2020.



**Erving Elementary School  
Parent Teacher Organization  
Franklin County Technical School Scholarship Application**

Please provide us with a typed, double spaced, 12 pt font resume (include school and extra curricular activities) and a cover letter which addresses the following 1) why you chose FCTS for your education, 2) what field you are studying and why you chose that field, 3) why we should choose you as our scholarship recipient, and 4) what tools/ materials you will purchase with the scholarship monies if you are chosen as the recipient.