



# LAURENE EDMONDSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Principal: Trish Malik

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MARCH 2019

## ***Message from the Principal...***

Happy March!

Thank you to all the families who attended our March GET Together Student Led Parent Teacher Conferences. 93% of our students attended conferences to share their progress with their parents. Of the 100 parents who completed our survey, 96% indicated they felt it was valuable to have their student explain their progress to them. We strongly believe students need to take ownership over their learning and should be involved in reporting their progress to parents. 98% of parents feel like they have an understanding of how their student is performing compared to grade level expectations. 100% of parents report that they and their child know what goals they have to work on for the rest of the year. 99% of parents feel prepared to help their child at home. 94% of parents would like us to continue student led stations in the future! Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education.



We hope to see you at our PIE night on Tuesday, March 12 from 5:30-7:00. This is another great opportunity for you to provide input that informs how we can make Edmondson the best it can be!

Sincerely,

Trish

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**March Important Dates to Remember**



Friday, March 1 <sup>st</sup>	No school	
Tuesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Legos	3:15-4:30
Tuesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Chess Club	3:15-4:00
Thursday, March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Sew Club	3:15-4:30
Sunday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Daylight Savings	
Tuesday, March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Legos	3:15-4:30
Tuesday, March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Chess Club	3:15-4:00
Tuesday, March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Pie Night	5:30-7:00
Thursday, March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Group Photo Day	
Thursday, March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sew Club	3:15-4:30
Monday, March 18 <sup>th</sup> - Friday March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Spring Break No School	
Tuesday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>	Legos	3:15-4:30
Wednesday, March 27 <sup>th</sup>	Student Council Meeting	3:30-4:00
Thursday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Sew Club	3:15-4:30
Thursday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	PTA	6:00-7:00

**CMAS Update**

April 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade will take the English Language Arts CMAS test and Math. Please avoid taking the student(s) out for appointments during this time. They will be testing all day Monday – Friday. We also ask that students have a good breakfast before arriving to school if they do not eat breakfast at school.

April 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> in the morning 5<sup>th</sup> Grade only will take Science CMAS



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## From the Music Room

Greetings Edmondson Stallions!



The month of February has been a busy month in the music room. The 1st and 2nd graders were able to present a terrific musical production on United States history, symbols, leaders, and patriotic music for our friends and family. They did an absolutely amazing job!

The 3rd graders went to Loveland's Rialto Theater to see a live performance of *Così fan Tutte* by Loveland Opera Theater. The 3rd grade class looked terrific and were on their best RRF behavior.

The 4th and 5th graders continue their studies on recorder as we approach spring break. The 5th graders are busy considering what their future will hold in band, orchestra, and choir at the middle school.

There are some special musical events coming up that you don't want to miss!

- Loveland High School Band Concert-Monday, March 4th at Loveland High-7PM
- Erwin Band Concert- Tuesday, March 5th at 7PM
- United States Air Force Band at The John Q. Hammons Center- Loveland Embassy Suites
- (this concert is free-tickets can be reserved online)
- Loveland High School's Production of *SHREK The Musical*-March 14th-17th at LHS

Piano lab will arrive Monday, March 25th at Edmondson. We will be doing piano unit of study until April 12th in all grade levels.

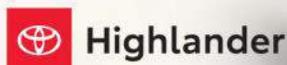


## Attendance Corner

Congratulations to Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Keens first grade class for winning the monthly attendance contest for January! They had 93% attendance! Great job!!!

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## Pie Night

Partners in Education (PIE) Night

March, 12<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00

We value your input! Please join us for our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual PIE night to help us brainstorm ideas for us to grow our partnership in your child's education.

## A note from Chess Club:

A big thank you for all the Chess Club members who have been coming to learn and play. We have enjoyed ourselves on Tuesday afternoons. Our last day will be on Tuesday, March 12th. If you are interested in continuing to practice your chess there is a great on-line website called "[chesskids.com](http://chesskids.com)".

Register on-line with your parent and then you are able to play chess with kids around the country. It's a fun way to play chess and refine your skills. We want to thank our coach Mr. Lerner and helper Miss Jess for helping out with the club. Also, we want to wish our Chess Club members good luck as they participate in the District Tournament on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>!!

Mrs. Hart



## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

We have recently completed our sixth math unit in which we have had to add, subtract, multiply, or divide whole numbers, fractions, or decimals to solve real



world math problems. Whew! This unit included some challenges to our stamina and focusing ability. Our current science unit is "Weather on Earth." In it we are studying how analyzing patterns can help us predict future events. We are researching and writing essays about severe earth events to accompany this unit.

State testing will take place from **April 1-12**. Students do best on tests when they are present the day they are given. We appreciate your help in planning family vacations and appointments around these dates.

Have an awesome Spring Break and don't forget to read!

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## STUCO News

Thank you for your support of our Smencil Fundraiser! Our next meeting will be on March 27th after school until 4:00.

## Counseling Corner

Hello Families -

Recently, many inappropriate online challenges (or hoaxes) have been brought into the spotlight. For example, the Momo Challenge. Due to the nature of this challenge I will not be addressing it with students and I am strongly recommending parents discuss the importance to internet safety with their students.



[Click here](#) for tips on how to talk to your child about staying safe online.

Commonsensemedia.org is another great resource for parents. They offer information for kids 2yrs old to 18yrs old. They also offer resources in Spanish.

Here are a few helpful inks:

- [Privacy and Internet Safety](#)
- [13 Online Challenges Your Kid Already Knows About](#)
- [Technology Addiction](#)
- [TikTok Parent User Guide](#)

Please feel free to contact me If you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Mrs. Neal



## Kindergarten News

The Kindergarteners have been working hard during their time in STEM Lab to design an Outdoor Classroom Space for our school! After Empathizing and Defining using our fall field trip to The Gardens at Spring Creek and pictures of various outdoor learning spaces around town, the students have successfully

created individual plans on their iPads. Now, they are practicing the STEM learner profile of collaboration as they work with a partner to combine their ideas into one master plan. Over the next few weeks, they will turn these plan drawings into 3D models using natural materials to be presented in a gallery walk on March 28th. Ask them about it - they are SO excited to share!



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## 1st Grade

### Mrs. Jones 1A - Mrs. Keen 1B



**Math** - We continue working on Unit 6, Representing and comparing data. After Spring Break we begin Unit 7: Tell and write time in hour and  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour increments, Shapes and their characteristics, Equal shares - halves and quarters, then measuring and ordering items by length. Support at home for unit 6 can include comparing items - which one do I have more of and which I have fewer of, and how many more, how many fewer items. Continue to practice counting from 1-120 and by 10's (10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120.) **Homework** comes home on Monday and is due on **Friday**. Homework is practice for what we are focusing on in class.

**Social Studies** - Our current STEM unit is on American Symbols then we move on to famous American Leaders and their characteristics. Our focusing lens is: Leaders and Symbols have characteristics that play an important role. Support at home may include discussing what are some American Symbols, what are the characteristics they have and why are they important.

**Science Bags:** Please return the Science Bag within 3-5 days, so everyone in the class gets their turn to take one home.

**Literacy** - Next unit we focus on reading and spelling words that have up to four sounds and vowel sounds: ar, or, er, ir, ur. Our work also includes sounds with two consonants but one sound, example: ship, sh makes one sound. Along with sounds, that have three or more consonants each having their own sound, example: past. Help your student find these words when reading to you at home and talk about how they sound in the word. Sentence structure, capitalization and punctuation continue to be a focus everyday along with handwriting skills. **Book bags** come home on Wednesday and should be returned the following Wednesday - students read and reread these books every night/week.

**In-Focus** - We are understanding, exploring, and learning strategies to deal with conflict now then we move on to team building and service projects. Encourage your child to try some of the strategies they use at school when they are having strong emotions at home. One possible strategy is the 3-3-3. Tighten my muscles for 3 seconds while breathing in, hold my muscles tight while holding my breath for 3 seconds, then release my muscles and exhale slowly for 3 seconds.

Watch for information on PIE Night. Hold the date - Tuesday, March 12th, 5:30pm-7:00pm. We hope to see you there. Yes, yummy pies are included.

Spring Break is Monday, March 18th through Friday, March 22nd.

**The Loveland Public Library** - Check out <http://www.lovelandpubliclibrary.org/children> for free programs that the library has all month and the extras things planned during our Spring Break. Like meeting an American Ninja! Remember to take your library card.

Please get the free **Remind app** on your phone to easily communicate with your child's teacher.

**Mrs.Jones - class code: 43d6ba**

**Mrs.Keen - class code: 8484fc**

## From the Health Office

### Flu Prevention

The flu season is not over yet historically we see an increase in flu beginning in November with high flu activity in January and February and can remain elevated through the end of March. There are everyday preventive actions that can be taken to stop the spread of germs.



Try to avoid close contact with sick people

While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

If you are sick with flu-like illness, elevated temperature or fever and symptoms of illness such as rash, sore throat, cough, runny nose, body aches, vomiting, or diarrhea (recommended return to school when the temperature has returned to normal for 24 hours without the aid of medications like Ibuprofen or Tylenol or products containing these).

Cover your nose or mouth with tissue when you cough or sneeze. After using a tissue, throw it in the trash and wash your hands.

**Wash your hands** often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, a hand sanitizer may be used.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.

Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs like flu.

We want to minimize illness and to keep kids healthy and in class. Please feel free to contact the Health Office if there is anything we can do to help support you or your student's health care needs.

Lisa Olsen, RN

Michelle Ferrin, SHOA

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF ...							
<p>I HAVE A FEVER – temperature of 100.0 F or higher</p> 	<p>I AM VOMITING – within the past 24 hours</p> 	<p>I HAVE DIARRHEA – within the past 24 hours</p> 	<p>I HAVE AN UNEXPLAINED RASH – with itching or fever</p> 	<p>I HAVE HEAD LICE – itchy head</p> 	<p>I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION – redness, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye</p> 	<p>I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL – hospital stay and/or ER visit</p> 	<p>YOU JUST AREN'T FEELING WELL – if your child was up most of the night coughing, is miserable with a head cold, etc</p> 
I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM ...							
<p>FEVER FREE FOR 24 HOURS – without the use of fever reducing medication</p>	<p>FREE FROM VOMITING FOR 24 HOURS – at least 2 solid meals</p>	<p>FREE FROM DIARRHEA FOR 24 HOURS – without the use of anti-diarrheal medication</p>	<p>FREE FROM RASH – and evaluated by my doctor if needed</p>	<p>TREATED WITH APPROPRIATE LICE TREATMENT AT HOME – cleared by school nurse</p>	<p>EVALUATED BY MY DOCTOR – and have a note to return to school</p>	<p>RELEASED BY MY MEDICAL PROVIDER – and have a note to return school</p>	<p>IF YOUR CHILD IS "BACK TO HIM/HERSELF" – and is fever-free, etc</p>



## 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CITY-WIDE FOOD DRIVE

Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

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