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EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER PARENT NEWSLETTER – March 2026

PRINCIPAL NEWS

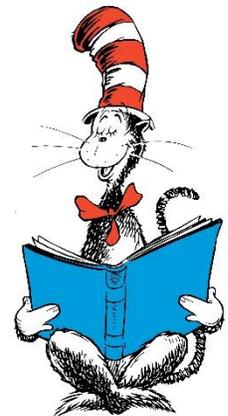
Wow, it is amazing how fast this year is going. Spring is right around the corner. The students will begin the Read-a-Thon fundraiser this week and we will celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday and Read Across America. There will be a couple of other fun days in March. We will wear green on St. Patrick's Day on March 17th. Additionally, Spring arrives on March 20th, and we will wear Spring colors. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on March 8th for Daylight Savings Time.

Just a reminder to parents that drop their students off in the mornings. The front door does not open until 7:30 am. Please remain with your child until school personnel are visible outside the door. We would not want anything to happen to any unsupervised child. Thank you for your help with this.

MARCH PTG READ-A-THON FUNDRAISER – March 1st -27th

The month of March includes both Dr. Seuss's birthday and Read Across America. As part of this excitement, PTG is holding a Read-A-Thon.

- All materials for participation went home on February 13th. (If you need another just call the school, and we'll send one home.)
- **The Read-A-Thon begins on March 1st and continues through March 27th.**
- Your son/daughter can determine the number of books he/she can read in the month of March and earn certificates and/or prizes.
- Students ask for pledges for the number of books that they read from family and friends.
- Books that students read or that parents read to their child count as books read.
- If you or your child reads a chapter book, each chapter counts as a book.
- Any books read from March 1-27 count toward the Read-a-Thon. (So, mark it down on your Tracker Sheet.)
- Tracker Sheets and pledges are **due back to the school by April 1st.**



Good luck boys and girls! Parents, thank you for your on-going support!

PTG

The PTG will be meeting on March 11th at 8:15 am in the library. All are welcome to attend.

We do have school on March 13th – This is a snow make-up day!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER – Mrs. Nichols

Hello to all families! In March, PreK classrooms will be learning about identifying feelings while Kindergarten classes will be focusing on the next step; coping skills and problem-solving tips. New sessions of small group counseling are also beginning for identified students. As always, please call with any questions or to make a referral for your child.



PREKINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration will begin online on the www.gorockets.org website beginning on March 1, 2026. This is an on-going event.

Age cut-offs:

Pre-Kindergarten – Must be four before August 1, 2026.

Kindergarten – Must be five before August 1, 2026.

You will begin the registration process online at www.gorockets.org under the enrollment tab. Once you complete the online portion of registration, you will be prompted to select an appointment time. During this appointment time, you'll come to the ECLC with your child to turn in the following documents: your child's birth certificate, parent's photo I.D., proof of residency and your son/daughter's immunization records. During this appointment, your child will complete an academic and speech screener so we will better know your child and his/her academic, social, and developmental needs.

Any child currently in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten is already registered for next year. You will not need to do anything additional.

MUSIC NOTES – Miss H



March came in a hurry! The Kindergarten students have been hard at work learning musical notation and reviewing skills from the fall. We have worked on the correct formation of quarter notes and quarter rests. Using this notation, we have created and performed 4-beat rhythm patterns. Additionally, the Kindergarten students have played rhythms on many new instruments! The Prekindergarten students have been working hard to use their best singing voices and adding instruments while singing. We played three new instruments in February! As always, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or email me.



HEALTH ROOM HAPPENINGS

We should start to see some nicer days coming up in March. Please be sure to send your student with a coat and hat on cooler days. The teachers try to take them outside if possible.

On that note, please be sure to send an extra set of clothes in your child's backpack for accidents and emergencies.

Kindergarten student parents: we are required by the Department of Health to have physical and dental exams for our Kindergarten students. An exam done on or after July 1, 2024 will be accepted. Please help us with compliance by submitting the exams.

FUN DAYS at the ECLC during MARCH

March 2-6 – Dr. Seuss Spirit Week – See attached calendar for dress up days
March 17 – Wear Green Day – “Happy St. Patrick’s Day”
March 20 – Wear Spring Colors to welcome Spring

SPRING FORWARD

Please remember to set your clock ahead one hour on **March 8th**. Daylight savings begins.



IMPORTANT DATES

- March 1-27 Read-a-Thon Fundraiser
- Mar. 2-6 Read Across America Day/Dr. Seuss Birthday (See attached calendar)
- March 11 PTG Meeting @ 8:15 a.m.
- March 12 Skate Night at The Rink from 5:30-7:30 pm
- March 13 Snow Make-up Day #2 - Students do have School
PreK Purple Day
- March 17 Happy St. Patrick’s Day – Wear Green Day
- March 19 Bus Evacuation Drill – Just Practice!
- March 20 “Spring” into Spring – Wear your Spring Colors
- March 24 Last day to order a Yearbook – www.inter-state.com/order Order Code: 0317CF
- March 27 PreK Black Day
- Mar. 30-Apr 1 Return Read-a-Thon Tracker Sheet, Pledge Sheet, and Pledges/Donations Due



ECLC Skate Night is March 12th at The Rink from 5:30-7:30 pm!