



**Erving Elementary
School
Eagle Express**

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Important Dates

April 15th Through April 19th

No School- April Vacation

Tuesday-Friday

April 22-26 MCAS Testing

Wednesday, April 24th

PTO Meeting 9:30-10:30

Teacher Appreciation Mtg

School Council Mtg. 11:15

Sunday, April 28th

CNC Playgroup 9:30-12

Wednesday, May 1st

Savings Makes "Cents"

Annual Town Meeting 7pm

Friday, May 3rd

Sheryl Faye event 1:30

Wednesday, May 15th

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Weekly Parent/Guardian School Newsletter

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

Thank goodness! Warmer weather, a turn-around for the Bruins and Red Sox, a win for the Celtics, and another win for UMass, and of course VACATION TIME ☺.

While on the topic of winning, pardon me while I sing the praises about our incredible school! Erving Elementary School was the talk of the nation these past couple of weeks. First in San Diego, California, where Math Specialist Elizabeth DeSorgher was invited by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics to present the work that we are accomplishing at EES. Elizabeth was on the same stage as some of the most prestigious names in math education, talking about our students, staff, and the work we do each and every day. This week, Polly Wagner and Ben Rubin were on stage at the annual conference of the Association of Teachers of Mathematics in Massachusetts. While in San Diego, Elizabeth attended a workshop by Steve Leinwand (Math Researcher) who stated that collegial visits are the most effective and innovative professional development for teachers. He asked a room full of educators if they take part in this type of development – Elizabeth was the only educator in the room who acknowledged this. Fast-forward one week. Ben and Polly are in Worcester, presenting on the importance of collegial visits and educator collaboration! At both events our staff were applauded for their innovative, professional work. I am proud of our staff and want to recognize that it takes a whole school community to place us at the forefront of math education. I realize that we still need to grow, however it is important to acknowledge the accolades along the way. Thank you to everyone who shares in this 'tip of the hat'.

The Week of the Young Child is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families, and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. Thank you to all of our staff who work hard to provide a safe and enriching space for all children within the preschool and kindergarten programs. We are blessed to have a community that values the need for affordable preschool programming.

Recently, Mary Glabach and Rinky Black secured grants from the Greenfield Garden Club in support of our preschoolers and the Butterfly Garden. Congratulations to Mary and Rinky, and thank you for working to secure these funds in support of our students and to enhance our environment.

As we take a short spring break for some well-deserved relaxation, I would like to remind us that upon our return we only have 8 weeks until summer arrives. In that short time, we have to complete our MCAS testing, prepare for the grade 6 trip to NYC ☺, graduation ceremonies, and the spring concert.

Thank you for your incredible support, and as always your positive encouragement. Travel safe and enjoy a wonderful vacation week. ☺



The ELP/Explores club has been working very hard to clean up the ravine between our school and the senior center. See if you can spot Brooke and Cadance.....

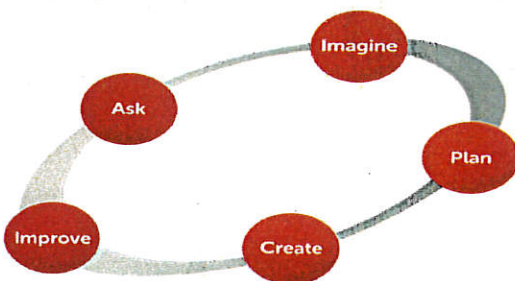


Bird house project: Mr. C and Eben worked hard last week to put up the first bird house out of 12 boxes that have been placed all around the school. See if you can spot them all while taking walking around.



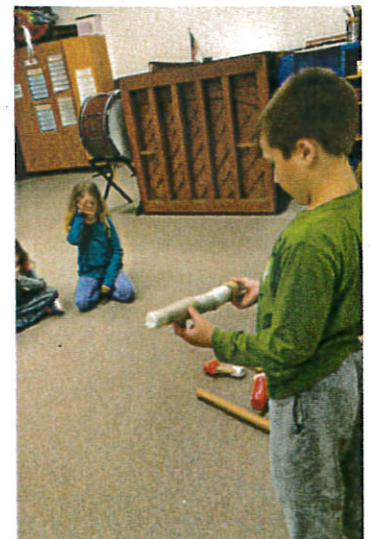
Second Graders are ENGINEERS!

On March 29, second grade and EES were lucky enough to be a part of the groundbreaking for our new Erving Library! Our class was very excited with the idea of having a new library in our town. So, the engineers decided to create a model of the floor plan. We honored our *Engineering Cycle* and got right to work. In partners, we used a copy of the floor plan as our guide. We found this on the Erving website. Each pair created a different room of the library using recycled materials in a creative way. Once we completed our individual rooms with our Engineering Partner, we came together to see if they would all fit together like the plan. If you are interested in taking a closer look, it will be on display in our front lobby. We can't wait to utilize our new library!



Aside from practicing and performing their hearts out in the school play, first graders have been studying sound. They've done experiments, played new instruments, and researched how sound travels to our ears.

Perhaps the most exciting part of learning about sound was the opportunity to design and create their own musical instruments. Here are a few pictures of what transpired. Next time you see them, be sure to ask if they're still jamming out on their new instruments!



Erving Elementary School PTO

2nd Annual Cash and Prize Calendar Raffle

The **WHO:** **YOU** and your family!

The **WHAT:** The EES PTO is holding an all school fundraiser: a cash and prize calendar raffle in April. We have received approximately \$2,500 of in-kind prize donations from overwhelmingly generous local businesses and families.

The **WHEN:** Calendars go home with students the week of April 12th and the **deadline to return money and calendar stubs is April 29th**. Tickets may be purchased until the end of May. We are requesting that each family sell 5 calendars, at \$5 each, so \$25 per family. *If you are unable to participate, kindly return the folder with raffle calendars to the Front Office ASAP for redistribution.* Once a ticket is drawn it will be re-entered into the raffle, for potential multiple winnings. Winners will be notified via phone/email and posting on our EES PTO Facebook Page.

The **WHERE (How to Buy):** All Erving Students or EES front desk; Accepted payment: Cash or check, made payable to EES PTO

Questions: Facebook: Erving Elementary School PTO Page; Email: pto@erving.com

The **WHY:** The more tickets sold, the more money netted for each classroom and all 131 students!

The **HOW:** The raffle ticket is a May calendar with approx \$75 in prizes raffled daily.

Over \$2,500 in Prizes from over 45 donors:

2nd Street Bakery, Two \$10 Gift Certificates, 99 Restaurant, \$25 Gift Certificate, Debbie Allen- In-home spa basket
Andy's and the Oak Shop, \$30 gift certificate, Bagley Goodwin Hrinda, Drawstring backpack with oral supplies
Black Cow Burger Bar, \$20 Gift Certificate, Gillian Budine \$25 to Greenfield Farmers' Cooperative Exchange
Cleary's Jewelers, \$30 Gift Certificate, Crooked Tap, \$10 Gift Certificate, Dan's Veggies, Two \$10 gift certificates
Deerfield Country Store, food smasher and decorative compass, Melissa Gerry (Doterra), mini oil diffuser, 2 essential oils
Dunkin Donuts, Stainless steel travel tumbler and bag of coffee, Elements Hot Tub Spa, \$50 gift certificate for 30 min hot
tub session for two, Erving Paper Mill, \$250 Cash, Erving Paper Mill Union Workers, \$50 Cash, Erving Recreation Commission,
5 tshirts and 2 sets of sweatbands, Erving Station, \$50 gift certificate; Two \$25 gift certificates, Family Game Gift Basket by
Aimee Wood and Jess Allen, Friends of the Erving Library, \$50 book basket, Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center,
\$15 Gift Certificate; \$25 one year family membership, French King Bowling Alley, Twenty Five, 2 free game bowling passes
French King Restaurant, Gift Certificate, Garden Cinema, Two free movie passes, Gill Tavern, \$25 gift certificate
Greenfield Community College, bag; sweatshirt; travel cup; two tshirts, Great Falls Yoga, 5 sessions free
Ja'Duke, 2 free theatre passes, Hair Affair Salon, free haircut, wash, blow-dry, J&J Hockey, \$25 Gift certificate
Kidder & Son Painting, \$50 Home Depot Gift Card, Lularoe by Brooke Shippa, \$25 gift certificate and free leggings
M3G Photography, free mini session photo shoot, Mystic Pinball, \$20 gift certificate, Pipiones Sports Shop, \$25 gift
certificate, Poplar Mountain Maple, Half gallon maple syrup, Prondecki's Store, Gift Certificate of favorite meal
Rendezvous, \$25 Gift Certificate, Snap On Tools, 7 piece soft grip combination screwdriver set; Beach Towel; Two
hot/cold stainless steel travel tumblers; Limited edition ratcheting screwdriver; Two "S" wall mounts
The Recorder, Three month subscription, Tim's Barbershop, 2 free haircuts (\$28), Wagon Wheel, Two small ice cream cone
coupons, Wild Arrow Photography, Free mini session photo shoot

EES PTO 2nd Annual Calendar Raffle

DONOR LIST

- 99 restaurant \$25 gift card
- Accurate Automotive
- Allen family: young child story time basket (3 books and 3 stuffies)
- Allen, Debbie: gembox; home spa basket; electronic family games basket
- Applebee's: \$25 gift card
- Black Cow Burger Bar Two \$20 gift certificates
- Budine, Gillian: \$25 Greenfield Farmers Coop gift card
- Creative Cs: hand painted wine glass and coffee mug
- Cleary's Jewelers: \$25 gift certificate
- Crooked Tap: \$15 gift card
- Dunkin Donuts, Erving: mug and coffee
- Eds Barbershop: 2 free haircuts
- Elements Hot Tub and Spa: \$50, 30min hot Tub session for 2
- Emily Dickinson Museum: 4 passes and poetry book
- Eric Carle Museum: 2 sets of family passes for 4
- Erving Paper Mill: \$250 cash donation
- Erving Recreation Commission: 7 youth tees, 4 hats
- Erving Station: 1lb chocolates
- Flourish, \$50 gift card
- Four Leaf Clover: \$25 gift card
- French King Bowling Alley, Three \$25 gift cards
- French King Restaurant, \$25 gift card
- Gerry, Melissa: Norwex gift card
- Great Falls Harvest: \$40 gift card
- Great Falls Yoga: \$75 gift card, 5 sessions
- Hair Affairs Salon: Wash, cut, blow dry with Robin Morrison
- Hodges, Rachel: signed copy of *Gingerly*
- Jaduke: 2 tickets to Winnie the Pooh May 17, 18 or 20
- Kens Roadside Diner: \$20 gift card
- Lady Killgrew: \$20 gift card
- Lyod, Kelly: Doterra Essential Oils
- Maurice's: \$10 gift card and coupon
- Mayhew Tools: Screwdriver set and pry bar
- Megadance: 2 free classes
- Mystic Pinball: \$20 gift card
- North Village Smokehouse: \$25 gift card

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- Novak, Jolynn: jumping beans bounce house \$75 gift card
- Nussbaum, Ashley: \$25 gift card for Unique Styles
- Pellerin, Chris: 2 needle point artworks
- Petermans Boards and Bowls: medium sized hand crafted wooden bowl
- Pipiones Sport Shop: \$25 gift card
- Poplar Mountain Maple, 3 small maple syrup
- Principal for a Day with Erving Elementary School Principal Jim Trill
- Prondeckis Store: gift card
- Renaud, Rachel: Avon gift basket
- Red Fire North: \$20 gift card
- Rendezvous: \$20 gift card
- Sadler Family: Thieves dishwasher detergent, Young Living
- Shelburne Falls Coffee Roasters: 2 pastries and 2 drinks of choice
- Shippa, Brooke: Lularoe \$50 gift card
- Shire Photography: \$50 gift card
- Snap On Tools: screwdriver set; 4 color changing mugs; 2 stainless steele travel mugs; baseball cap; Wall mount S
- Sweet Lucys Bakery: \$25 gift card
- Terrazza: \$100, four \$25 gift card
- Tiny Dinosaur Farm, Soph and Eli Petreccia: gift basket of handmade body butter and bath salts
- Town Line Ice Cream, \$15 gift card
- Towne Family: \$25 Amazon gift card
- Toy Box: \$20 gift card
- UMASS Fine Arts Center: 4 passes to 2019-2020 season; silicone phone pockets
- Wagon Wheel: 2 free cones
- Tim's Barber shop: 2 free haircuts

THE COMMUNITY NETWORK FOR CHILDREN
PROGRAM OFFERS A SCHOOL VACATION WEEK
PROGRAM:

OH HELLO THERE

Regular old paint splotches and blobs can magically turn into funny faces, purring cats, and dancing penguins. Join Emily as we playfully turn process based art experiments into a fleet of friendly faces and creatures perfect for storytelling and imaginative play. Emily will read picture books and lead a discussion about the different ways artists create faces and facial features in their art.

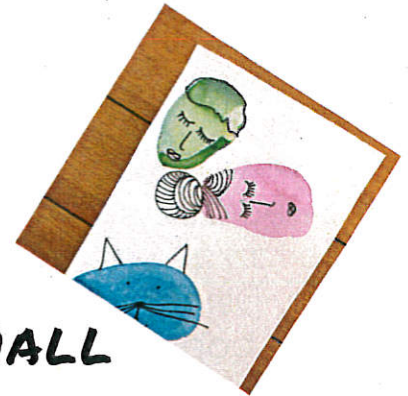


APRIL 16, 2019

TUESDAY

9:00-10:00AM

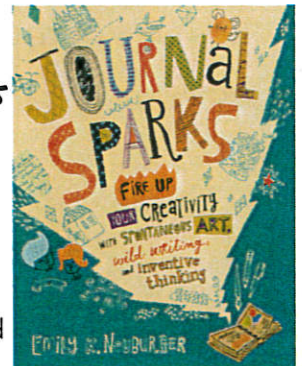
AT SHUTESBURY TOWN HALL
1 COOLEYVILLE RD



LIMITED SPACE, PLEASE RSVP TO
BUDINE@ERVING.COM

THIS WORKSHOP IS GEARED TOWARDS A MIXED AGE GROUP OF 3-5
YEAR OLDS, WITH FLEXIBILITY FOR SIBLINGS AND ADULTS.

Emily Neuburger is an art teacher, author, and artist with a particular interest in story telling, imperfection, and artistic experimentation. She is the author of the award winning books *Show Me a Story* (Storey 2012) and *Journal Sparks* (Storey 2017)



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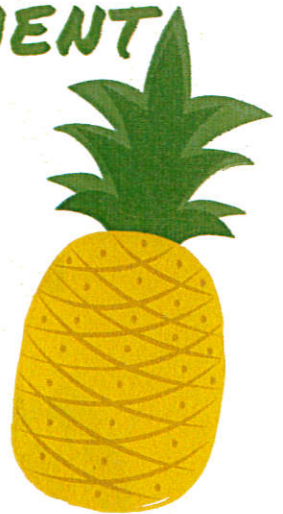
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COMMUNITY NETWORK FOR
CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S **FREE!** CLOSET

at the Dixon House,
4 Montague Rd, Leverett
WEEKLY OPEN HOURS
THURSDAYS 8:30-11:00AM
OTHER HOURS BY APPOINTMENT

- Children's Clothes
- Diapers
- Canned goods (coming soon!)
- Baby items and more!
- Local information & resources

Contact Gillian @ 413-668-5713 with questions or to make
an appointment to shop!





Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Hosted by Friends of Sheffield

Saturday April 20th, 2019
at the Montague Elks

Breakfast Served from 8am – 11am
Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, & Sausage



Adults \$7
Children 10 and under \$5



**Don't forget your camera for pictures with the
Easter Bunny!**

**Later this same day, join the Easter Bunny at the 14th
Annual EGGstravaganza starting at 1pm at Unity Park.
Details available at breakfast or in advance from the
Montague Parks & Recreation Department**

