

# **EDGECOMB EDDY SCHOOL**

# **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

APRIL 2022

# LATE ARRIVALS & EARLY PICK-UPS

Please help us by doing the following:

- If you bring your child to school late, please walk them into the office.
- If you are picking up your child early, please call and notify the office first. When you arrive, please walk into the office to sign them out.

# NATIONAL SCRIBBLE DAY

Thank you Mrs. Casey and Mrs. Bezon for helping us celebrate on March 28th! All students learned about the power of kindness and art in a very fun way!



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

APRIL 12 - PK FIELD TRIP

APRIL 18-22 - SPRING BREAK ENJOY YOUR BREAK!

APRIL 26 - BUDGET INFO SESSION

APRIL 28 - PLANETARIUM VISIT

APRIL 29 - TRIMESTER 3 PROGRESS REPORTS

MAY 3 - PTC MEETING (ZOOM)

MAY 9 - SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 9-20 - NWEA TESTING

MAY 10-13 - BOOK FAIR

MAY 12 - PTC FUNDRAISER

MAY 30 - NO SCHOOL

JUNE 3 - 6th GRADE BOSTON TRIP





# PTC INFORMATION

Thank you to all who participated in the Popcorn Fundraiser! We sold 1208 bags of popcorn and raised \$3020 for our playground fund!

Congratulations to Brody Rogers (PK) for being the top seller! He sold 132 bags of popcorn! **Thank you Brody!** 

We are continuing to recruit donations for our Spring Fundraiser, which will be the evening of Thursday, May 12. In order to be a successful in-person fundraiser, we will need 15 parent volunteers to commit to that evening. If you are interested in volunteering or helping recruit donations, please contact Mrs. Cooper in the office. Thank you to everyone who has already donated!

Our Book Fair will be held the second week of May and will be in-person this year!



Our families are one of the best parts of Edgecomb Eddy School. As we transition, we are looking forward to welcoming back our Parent Volunteers! Please make sure that you have filled out the volunteer paperwork so that you can participate as opportunities become available.

# SPRING CONCERT

Our Spring Concert will be recorded this year and shared with all students and families in early June.

# **HEALTH SCREENINGS**

If your child has any of these symptoms, **do not** send them to school. Please notify Mrs. Cooper.

- Fever or chills
- Cough or sore throat
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- · Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea



# **HEALTH INFORMATION**

Please remember that even if a child tests negative for COVID-19, if they feel ill, have a fever, have been vomiting or experiencing diarrhea, they should be kept home. The child should be free from all of these symptoms for at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Please email any home test results with date/time to Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Crocker. Please <u>DO NOT</u> send a used COVID test to school with your child. Thank you!

# PI DAY

Congratulations to our Pi Day winners!

1st place - Ethan Clark (332 digits)

2nd place - Jackson Zehm (227 digits)

Ethan and Jackson won the chance to throw pies in the faces of Mrs. Ellis and Dr. Boursaw, but they threw them at each other instead. (Mrs. Ellis and Dr. Boursaw say thank you!)



# **PRE-K & K REGISTRATION**

We are excited to open up Pre-K and Kindergarten registration for the 2022-23 school year! Pre-K and Kindergarten at EES are offered to all students living in Edgecomb, Alna, and Westport.

#### PRE-K

Children who turn four on or before October 15, 2022, have priority for registration. If there are remaining spaces, we will admit "wait listed" students who turn five between July 1 and October 15, 2022.

## **KINDERGARTEN**

Children who turn five on or before October 15, 2022, are eligible to enroll in kindergarten.

See our website for more enrollment information. Please call 882-5515 if you have any questions.

We look forward to welcoming you in the fall!





# **QUICK CLASSROOM UPDATES**

#### PRE-K

With the start of Spring Pre-K learned about weather! We enjoyed being weather watchers outside. We looked for weather signs like the flag blowing in the wind, what kinds of clothes we needed to wear for the weather, and what the sky looked like. Over the last few weeks we have been learning about birds. The Boothbay Region Land Trust let us borrow their educational bird bin with lots of fun materials! Soon we will have a visit with Tracey Hall from BRLT to do a sensory walk! We have also been working with Erika Huber from Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens. This week we started a seed experiment! We look forward to watching what happens to the seeds. Next week, Pre-K will have their first field trip to the Boothbay Harbor Memorial Library! Congratulations to both Pre-K and Kindergarten on their Performance Festival!

#### KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten has just begun an exciting new science unit. We are learning all about plants - how to grow them, what the parts are, and how to classify them. We are also learning about the basics of the Scientific Method while we conduct experiments using plants and plant materials. As an added bonus, we're very lucky to collaborate with Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens for some learning activities and a field trip later this spring!

#### **FIRST GRADE**

First grade is participating in a gardening program through CMBG. They have provide us with all the tools to grow amazing plants and learn about the growing process. We have some flowers planted and are working on getting some tomato seeds going. A wonderful guest reader came from the Read ME Agriculture program. She read a book called "Tomatoes for Neela" which was all about growing and cooking with tomatoes.



We visited SweetWood Farm to learn all about the production of maple syrup and how the collection of the syrup has changed over the years. In math we are learning about place value and in literacy students are learning the rules for long vowels. In social studies students just finished up learning about the American Symbols and in Science we are learning about space, planting, and we will be dissecting owl pellets with Tracy from BRLT. Remember to check the First grade FB page for all the exciting learning happening in our classroom!

#### **SECOND GRADE**

The second graders have been busy learning all about plants with the help of Erika Huber from the Botanical Gardens. The Gardens has provided us with lots of supplies, including grow lights and heating mats. We are enjoying checking on the growth of our plants daily! We enjoyed our visit from Nancy Harriman who read the book, "Tomatoes for Neela". She also donated the book to our classroom library and left us heirloom tomato seeds that we look forward to planting. Last week we spent a chilly morning at SweetWood Farm in Newcastle learning about maple syruping with Justin Wood. Although the temperatures were too cold to see the sap flowing, we enjoyed tasting a piece of the maple sugar candy and tasting the different syrups once we returned to our classroom!

## **THIRD GRADE**

Third grade has welcomed a new/old friend to the class, Fern Chapman. Welcome, Fern! We have been busy working with fractions and developing our multiplication strategies. Who knew that fractions had so much to do with multiplication AND DIVISION! In Literacy we have worked with singular nouns and pronouns, specifically how they are written to show verb agreement. We have enjoyed comparing texts that tell Native American folk tales. Now we are exploring how animals can have jobs. We filled our Kindness pom-pom jar a second time and chose to have a pajama, stuffy, blanket, snack and movie party. We had that last Friday, 4-1-22. We always use the democratic process to vote for classroom decisions. Finally we ended a Science unit in which we researched animals by distinguishing traits. Happy Spring!

# **QUICK CLASSROOM UPDATES**

#### **FOURTH GRADE**

In math, we have been working on extended multiplication facts, number stories, and converting liters and milliliters. Students also did a wonderful job creating math games, playing each other's games and making recommendations. The students then went back and made improvements to their games. In literacy, we are focusing on cause and effect in a story, use of a dictionary, and syllable patterns. In science and social studies, we have just read the story "Full of Beans, Henry Ford Grows a Car", a story about Henry Ford's most visionary projects. Inspired by Henry Ford and the story, we will try to make our own soybean plastic! We have also been planting seeds in the classroom and talking about different types of plants and plant needs.

#### **FIFTH GRADE**

In math, we have been learning about decimal place value and coordinate grids. Students will begin learning about adding and subtracting decimals in the next couple of weeks. In science, students have been exploring the Earth and Sun using observations of shadows and changing patterns in the sky.

#### SIXTH GRADE

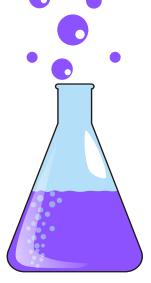
In math, students are wrapping up our unit where they learned about equivalent expressions as numbers written in different forms, adding and subtracting decimals, and finding percentages. In our next math unit students will be learning about the order of operations, solving algebraic expressions, and learning about inequalities. In science, students are wrapping up our unit on molecules and compounds by learning about exothermic and endothermic reactions.



# MUSIC CLASS

In case you missed them, here are the links to all of our recorded Performance Festivals from the past year. Just click on the grade to watch









# WISCASSET COMMUNITY CENTER/ WISCASSET PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

#### **Upcoming Programs and Events at Wiscasset Community Center**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/default.aspx

#### **Afterschool Adventures**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29851

#### **American Red Cross Swim Lessons**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29866

#### **Parent-Tot Swim Lessons**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29854

#### **Splash Swim Class**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29858

#### Karate

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29852

#### **April Vacation Camp**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=30062

## Youth, T-Ball, Rookie Baseball & Softball (Boothbay and Wiscasset Areas)

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=30038

#### Cal Ripken Baseball and BabeRuth Softball

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=30096

#### **Spring Running Club**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29987

#### **Mainely Summer Day Camps**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=30100

#### **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=30072

#### Mother / Son Dance

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=29893

#### RedSox Baseball, Trip to Fenway Park

https://wiscassetme.myrec.com/info/activities/program\_details.aspx?ProgramID=30028