



The Eagle Press



March 2024

Soaring High with Eagle Pride!

A Note from the Principal

Dear Parents,

The third quarter has flown by and spring break is rapidly approaching!

We are SO proud of our students! Please continue to help them learn their sight words and multiplication facts. Additionally, as we continue to provide the best education possible for our students, please continue to ensure they are completing homework at home and reading each night.

March has many fun activities. On Friday, March 1st, kindergarten through fifth grade will participate in our PTA Color Run! The week of March 11th – 14th, we will have our Student-Led Conferences in the morning. Please be sure to RSVP by using the QR Code.

On Tuesday, March 12th kindergarten, first grade, and second grade will have Field Day and on Thursday, March 14th third, fourth, and fifth grades will have their Field Day. There is no school on Friday, March 15th. The week of March 18th - March 22nd is spring break and school resumes on Monday, March 25th.

Don't forget to check out our **Eastbrook Elementary Facebook page** for fun pictures.

Finally, please be sure to show your school spirit and support of our great school and purchase a car magnet for only \$5.00 cash only! As always, thank you for your continued support.

Educationally yours,
Mrs. Herndon



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

March 1 -PTA Color Fun Run
March 1 -Dentist visits Kindergarten Classes
March 1-8 —Access for ELLs Testing
March 1-April 5 -Florida Alternate Assessment
March 6 -Student Safety Council Meetings
March 7 - RAMP 4 Benchmark Assessment
March 8 -Grade Level Assemblies
March 9 -Runners Club—Smile Mile@ Blue Jacket Park
March 10 - Ramadan begins at Sundown
March 10 -Daylight Savings Time Begins (Spring Forward)
March 11 -5th Grade Student Led Conferences
March 11 -1st Grade Field Trip-Science Center
March 12 -3rd Grade Student-Led Conferences
March 12 -RAMP 5 Benchmark Assessment
March 12 -Field Day -Grades K-2
March 13 -Eagle Excellence Lunch
March 13 -STEM Night 6:00pm
March 14 -K & 2nd Grade Student -Led Conferences
March 14 -Field Day -Grades 3-5
March 14 -End of Quarter 3
March 14 -No School-Teacher Workday
March 17 -Happy St. Patrick's Day!
March 18-22 -No School—Spring Break
March 19 -First Day of Spring
March 25 -Quarter 4 Begins
March 27 -School Spirit Night at Texas Roadhouse
March 29 -Good Friday
March 29 -Report Cards posted to Family Access
March 29 -Kindergarten Sight Ward Egg Hunt
March 31 -Happy Easter!

K March is already here, and we're eagerly anticipating the arrival of spring break just around the corner! As we prepare for this well-deserved break, we want to encourage you to continue fostering your child's love for learning.

Let's keep practicing those sight words! They're the building blocks of literacy and pave the way for fluent reading. Reading daily with your child not only strengthens their reading skills but also creates cherished moments of bonding and imagination. Additionally, students are gearing up to start Unit 8, where they'll explore the Big Idea: "Where can you go that is near and far?" This theme will spark their curiosity and take them on exciting literary adventures.

In math, we're diving into the exciting world of addition and subtraction within 20. We're exploring various strategies like putting together, counting on, taking apart, and taking from. Through hands-on activities and engaging lessons, we're laying the foundation for mathematical fluency and problem-solving skills. In our upcoming units, we'll be delving into fascinating topics. We're immensely grateful to all our dedicated kindergarten parents for your unwavering support and partnership in your child's educational journey. Your involvement makes a world of difference and helps create a nurturing and empowering environment for our young learners. Wishing you all a joyful and rejuvenating spring break filled with love, laughter, and cherished memories!

1 Hello First Grade Families, and Happy March! We are excited for Spring Break and hope you are planning some relaxing time with family. We've been working hard in the classroom, so be sure to have lots of opportunities to get outside and PLAY during break!

As usual, we are incredibly busy. You should notice that reading is becoming easier for your child. Keep reviewing sight words, and always talk about the books being read. Ask your child to retell the story and describe the characters. Don't forget to include nonfiction books in nightly reading—first graders typically LOVE nonfiction! In reading this month we will be exploring the theme "Sharing Treasures" and will read a variety of texts centered around this theme. The students will identify literary elements, retell a story, compare texts. The students will also learn about opinion writing. We have learned all our sounds in phonics. Now we are really

working on applying all our skills in texts and becoming more fluent readers!

In Math, we will be using our place value knowledge by adding and subtracting within 100. In Science, students will learn that all plants and animals have similar needs for survival (air, water, food, and space/shelter) Students will learn that the Sun provides heat and light for all living things but can also be harmful, and the importance of water and how to be safe around it.

In Social Studies, we will begin to learn about basic map elements using cardinal directions, map keys and symbols.

We will be attending the Orlando Science Center March 11th! Please send in your money if you have not done so already. We are also collecting for our Sea World field trip that will be coming up in April! Please let us know if you have any questions. Have a great month!

2 Spring is almost here! This month we celebrate Read Across America Day which is on March 1st and Dr. Seuss' Birthday which is on March 2! On this day all over the United States we celebrate and encourage everyone to read!

Our 2nd graders are growing and learning by leaps and bounds. Please continue to encourage your child to read, read, read. They need to build stamina by reading longer books and possibly moving to reading chapter books if they haven't already. When students read longer texts, it is important for them to visualize what they read. They will also come across new vocabulary words as they choose books that challenge them a little. They can also use these books to take AR quizzes to meet their weekly goals. In reading, we continue to read stories and non-fiction texts looking for facts and opinions, author's purpose, central idea and supporting details, plot and theme. The students have improved a great deal on finding answers to questions using evidence from the text and now so many of the students are writing sentences with capitals and ending punctuation.

In math, we always encourage the practice of math facts at home to build that strong foundation for number sense. Our current unit of study is addition and subtraction of two three digit numbers. Students will use all the tools and strategies they learned for adding and subtracting two two-digit numbers to three digit numbers. You can help at home by making sure your child is using and showing their strategies.

Eagle Press: Intermediate Classes

Our unit of study in Social Studies is immigration. Students will learn how and why people came to our country. In Science, students will learn about the human body.

Just a reminder that March 14, we will have student-led conferences from 8:00 to 8:30 to help students understand the importance of taking ownership for their own learning. This will be a time for your child to share data that shows how they are learning and growing in reading and math.

We truly appreciate your continued support in making sure your child is ready for school, and prepared each week with their homework completed and checked. This consistency supports your child's learning and teaches them the importance of responsibility and has the added benefits of teaching them to be more independent.

3 In the month of March, our third graders will be finishing Unit 5 for English Language Arts which explains how people meet challenges with solutions. Unit 5 will help students explain why individual qualities are important and explain why historical events are important.

In social studies, students will be learning how history and culture shape our community.

In science, our focus will be on different plants and animals.

For mathematics, the focus will be on fractions, and learning how multiplication and division are related.

Please make sure third graders are reading every night and practicing their multiplication facts.

We are looking forward to student led conferences, Field Day and of course spring break!

4 Spring is in the air, and we are pushing along working hard. Our 4th grade students are working towards reaching their goals.

In ELA we are continuing to read fiction and informational texts. We will be learning to identify authors perspective, identifying story elements and summarizing a text.

In math, our students will be measuring angles and geometric figures, and analyzing data. Please continue to practice multiplication facts with your child!

In science, we will be learning about the importance of Earth's natural resources, especially those resources found in Florida, and how we impact those resources.

RAMP Fourth grade RAMP students will cover two units in March. We will begin with Unit 8 - Collecting, Representing and Analyzing Numerical Data. This unit focuses on how to read, make, and interpret line plots and stem-and-leaf plots. Data from these plots will be described using vocabulary such as median, mode and range. Students will solve problems using data given in line plots including computations with fractions.

At the end of the month, Unit 9 – Measuring Angles and Geometric Figures will introduce how to measure and classify angles and shapes and end with measuring perimeter, area, and volume of geometric shapes.

In March, **fifth-grade RAMP** students will begin Unit 9 - Data Sets. Students will learn how to classify, display and interpret data. The unit introduces numerical and categorical data and teaches how to create statistical questions that generate data. Students will also find the median, mode, and range of a data set and end the unit examining and interpreting information from box plots, histograms, and line plots. From there,

Unit 10 –Representing Data and Distributions will have students creating box plots and histograms and learning about measures of center and variation and how data values and distributions impact these measures.

5 In Language Arts we will ask the question "in what ways can things change?" The students will read several selections over the course of six weeks about the different ways that things change and what can affect those things.

Social studies dives into how the Constitution and Bill of Rights gave Americans a foundation for political and economic success?

In math we begin to classify figures, develop understanding of the measurable attributes of volume, and use numbers and operations to compute the volume of regular prisms and composite shapes.

Our science studies bring us to plant and animal structures. In these lessons, students will learn about the function of the skin, brain, heart, lungs, stomach, liver, intestines, pancreas, muscles and skeleton, reproductive organs, kidneys, bladder, and sensory organs of the human body and compare it to related physical structures/organs in plants and animals.

Music



Recently, several Eastbrook Chorus students participated in The Seminole County Elementary Music Festival. This huge event featured over 200 students from 20 different schools. Students met together for several evening rehearsals and performed at Millennium Middle School on February 24th. Eastbrook was represented by Cassandra Paredes, Isabel Eldridge, Juliana Figueroa-Meador, Layla Bench, Lorelai Ross, Naomi Mitchell, Nolle Mulroe, and Tristen Rolon

Congratulations on an outstanding concert performance!

Recorders are still on sale in the music room for \$10.00.

PE In the month of March we will be having our epic field day competitions where the students will get to showcase their skills in 9 different stations of Eagle Soaring Excellence! Then towards the end of the month the PE program will have tennis and football.



Eastbrook Elementary School

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Art Corner



This month in art, we are going to make a few quick Spring themed projects. After the break, will be busy learning all about Pop Art. We will talk about Andy Warhol, Wayne Thiebauld, Keith Herring, and Roy Lichtenstein. These artists paved the way for contemporary artists to be more bold in their choice of material and subject matter.

I hope you all have a fun and restful Spring Break! I'm excited to make art with everyone! Thank you for your continued support!

Eastbrook Field Days

March 12– Grades K-2

March 14—Grades 3-5

To volunteer, please [register as a Dividend](#) and then [click here](#) to sign up to help!



Thank You
Action Church
for your
continued
support!






AWESOME EAGLES



Soaring High with Eagle Pride!

Congratulations to our **STAR Students** for February. We are proud of you!

AeLynn Dalton	Evan Rockwell
Mila Cunningham	Gideon Castellanos
Ariana Polanco	Ian Dehena Figueuroa
Elijah Perez	Larry "Legend" Redden
Lucas Fred	Alejandra Sandoval
Ella DiMambro	Johan Figueroa Medina
Claire Mahan	Josue Lara Martinez
Kyler Ostering	Adriel Angeles-Abrego
Mateo Torres	Ashley Velasquez
Niko Velez	Daniel Arroyo
Adalyn Rios	Michelle Mandujano
Adela Magalio	Makayla Medellin
Jazlyn Singh	Diego Torrealba
Adish Renju	Josiah Gonzalez
	Aidan Angeles Abrego



Congratulations to our **Eagle Expectations Award Winners** for February. We are proud of you!

Levi Masswig	Kindergarten
Lucas Torres	First Grade
Keissy Molina	Second Grade
Graeme Gilmore	Third Grade
Javier Tello	Fourth Grade
Baotran Nguyen	Fifth Grade

Congratulations

to our 2023-2024 Spelling Bee Contestants! They did an excellent job as it went 8 rounds!

First Place-Katie Mac

Second Place-Stephanie Alava

Classroom Winners:

Richie Taylor

Saul Rebolledo

Kamila Garcia

Aleah Fletcher

Caliana Capoverdi

Tristen Rolon

Ryder McCracken

Ezra Davis

Sophie Markeci

Layla Bench





NEWS

Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan

Decades of research have shown that when schools work together with families to support learning, children are inclined to succeed not just in school but throughout life. Eastbrook Elementary School believes that learning can best take place when there is shared effort, interest, and commitment among students, parents, extended family members, community members and staff. The goal of this parent and family engagement plan is to support in a more consistent and effective manner those things already in practice as well as to generate new ways of strengthening the partnership between school and home.

At Eastbrook Elementary School, the partnership between school and home will be supported by:

- ◆ convening an annual meeting in the school to provide information to parents, family members, and community members about the school and available programs and maintaining on file at the school, at a minimum, a copy of the agenda from the meeting highlighting that Title I programming was discussed; documentation of parental feedback and/or evaluation in the form of sign-in sheets and minutes from the presentation/ meetings; if relevant, a copy of any presentation; and flyers, website announcements, message recordings and/or other advertisements for the meeting
- ◆ notifying parents of and clearly posting on the School's website FLDOE Report Card Information and our school improvement plan
- ◆ offering a flexible number of meetings, workshops, and parent conferences that assist parents, family members, and community members in improving the achievement of all children
- ◆ providing opportunities for all parents, family members, and community members to participate in school activities, including persons with disabilities and limited English proficiency
- ◆ involving parents, family members, and community members in an organized, ongoing, and timely way in consultation for the improvement

of the School and its' programs, specifically including these critical stakeholders in the planning, review, and evaluation of programs and improve programs based on the results

- ◆ having all parties involved sign a School/ Family/Student Compact stating how each will contribute to ensuring the student's achievement
- ◆ assisting parents, family members, and community members in understanding state academic content, state and local assessments, and student performance standards
- ◆ communicating clearly and frequently with parents, family members, and community members about school policies, programs, and their own children
- ◆ educating school personnel in the value of contributions of parents, family members, and community members and in how to communicate with and build ties between the these critical stakeholders and the school in order to build school capacity
- ◆ annually conducting a joint evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this policy with parents, family members, and community members and providing parents the opportunity to provide feedback and contribute to the plan

Please take a minute to complete the following surveys to provide feedback and input on our upcoming [Parent and Family Engagement Plan](#) and our [2024-25 Parent-School Compact](#).

Parent & Family Engagement



YOU'RE INVITED TO
EASTBROOK ELEMENTARY'S
STUDENT-LED
Conferences

MONDAY, MARCH 11 - 5TH GRADE

TUESDAY, MARCH 12 - 3RD GRADE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 - 1ST GRADE & 4TH GRADE

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 - KINDERGARTEN & 2ND GRADE

Student-Led Conferences will be from 8:00-8:30.
Please accompany your child to school and sign in at
the front office on the morning of your scheduled
conference day.

CLICK HERE TO RSVP

The poster features a light yellow background with a white border. At the top left, there are illustrations of a microscope, a paint palette, and various colored markers. At the bottom, there is a collage of educational and scientific items including a globe, test tubes in a rack, a microscope, a paint palette, a clock, a stack of books, a backpack, a basketball, a medal with a ribbon, and a musical note. The main text is centered and reads: "STEM Night" in large, bold, dark blue letters; "Eastbrook Elementary" in smaller, bold, brown letters; "Join us for a night of Science, Math and Technology fun!" in white, bold letters inside a dark blue rectangular box; "Wednesday, March 13, 2024" in dark blue letters; "Eastbrook Elementary Cafeteria" in dark blue letters; "6:00-8:00 P.M." in dark blue letters; and "Shows and Activities provided by the Orlando Science Center!" in dark blue letters. An orange, irregularly shaped badge on the left side contains the text "Title I Info Available" in white, slanted letters.

STEM Night

Eastbrook Elementary

**Join us for a night of
Science, Math and
Technology fun!**

Wednesday, March 13, 2024
Eastbrook Elementary Cafeteria
6:00-8:00 P.M.

Shows and Activities provided by the
Orlando Science Center!

Title I Info
Available



ELEMENTARY March Menu



Manage your meals online at:
MySchoolBucks.com

COST: Breakfast \$2.50 & Lunch \$3.25

Apply for Meal Benefits for free and reduced-priced meals at: **SCPSmealapp.com**

- = This Contains Pork
- = Limited Time Only
- = Vegetarian Option

BREAKFAST

All Meals Include An Entrée, Fruit,
100% Fruit Juice and/or Milk

MONDAY

Waffle & Chicken Tender
or Yogurt & Granola
or General Mills® Cereal
& Cheese Stick

TUESDAY

French Toast Sticks
& Sausage
or Yogurt & Granola
or General Mills® Cereal
& Cheese Stick

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Biscuit
or Yogurt & Granola
or General Mills® Cereal
& Cheese Stick
or Strawberry Mini Bagel

THURSDAY

Fresh Baked Scone
& Yogurt
or Yogurt & Granola
or General Mills® Cereal
& Cheese Stick

FRIDAY

Pancakes & Sausage
or Yogurt & Granola
or General Mills® Cereal
& Cheese Stick

LUNCH

All Meals Include An Entrée, Fruit, Veggies And/Or Milk



@RedAppleDining

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<h3>Let's make lunch RAD!</h3> <p>Radishes are March's Produce of the Month.</p>				<p>100% All Beef Hot Dog or Cheese Pizza Baked Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>
<p>4 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>5 Asian Glazed Chicken Rice or Lo Mein Hummus Box Turkey-ham & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers Special Treat: Fortune Cookie</p>	<p>6 Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Italian Beef) Mixed Veggies Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Cheez-It® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>7 Grilled Cheese or Grilled Turkey-Ham & Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Hummus Box Turkey-ham & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>8 Chicken Sandwich or Cheese Pizza Baked Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Cheez-It® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>
<p>11 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>12 Asian Glazed Chicken Rice or Lo Mein Fresh Cooked Broccoli Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Turkey-ham & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels Special Treat: Fortune Cookie</p>	<p>13 Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Chicken Alfredo) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>14 Vegetarian Chick'n Sandwich 100% All Beef Cheeseburger or Hamburger Roasted Corn Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Turkey-ham & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>15 NO SCHOOL</p>

SPRING BREAK

UPDATES

Please check back regularly for menu updates throughout the month.

Thank you for your patience as we work to provide
the most accurate menu possible.



MARCH PTA NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We enjoyed seeing so many families at our Prince & Princess Ball last month! A special thanks to our wonderful committee and volunteers who organized and facilitated the event. Thanks to everyone who attended Skate Night and supported our Rock & Brews Spirit Night last month.



We are so excited to host our first PTA Color Run on March 1st. Students can raise funds for this event through March 4th.

Proceeds will support purchasing new books for the Eastbrook Library as well

as a variety of other PTA programs!

Students who raise at least \$5 will be entered to win one of our grand prizes including tickets to Fun Spot, Island H2O Waterpark, and an Orlando Magic game. There are also fun prizes for our



top individual fundraisers and top fundraising classes. Scan the QR code or visit <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/Eastbrookcolorrun24/addme> to register your student or visit and raise money to support Eastbrook PTA!



On March 13th, we will host STEM Night where we will welcome the Orlando Science Center for a fun and engaging night of science, technology, engineering, and math activities! Mark your calendars now for our Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night on March 27th

Katherine Fabian
2023-24 PTA President



UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 1st: PTA Color Run
- March 4th: Last Day of Color Run Donations
- March 13th: STEM Night, 6-8pm
- March 25th: Deadline for Nominations for the 2024-25 PTA Board
- March 27th: Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our Nominations Committee is in search of candidates for the 2024-25 PTA Board. We are looking for enthusiastic people who enjoy being a team player and planning events. If you would like to run for an Executive Board Position or nominate someone else, please look for more information to come with your student, submit your response online at <https://forms.gle/wGTHAYaQ9nwDCA5J9> or scan the QR code below no later than Monday, March 25th.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with remaining events for this school year, particularly the Scavenger Hunt, Basket Bonanza, & Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week. If you are interested in serving on a committee to help plan and execute any of these events this school year, please email president@eastbrookpta.org to let us know! Many hands make light work!



FEBRUARY EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Mrs. Moreno who was selected as the PTA Educator of the Month for February! Thank you Mrs. Moreno for helping make Eastbrook a great place to learn for our students and for supporting Eastbrook PTA!



VISUAL ARTS

NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS[®]

Congratulations to Alessandra Mejia (3rd grade) for receiving an award for her entry in the intermediate grade division for Visual Arts! Alessandra's artwork advanced to the Seminole County Reflections competition.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!



Be sure to like Eastbrook Elementary PTA on Facebook to stay informed on all of the upcoming events!