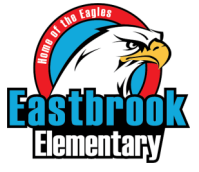




The Eagle Press



February 2024

Soaring High with Eagle Pride!

A Note from the Principal

Dear Eastbrook Families,

It is very hard to believe that February is here! February is Black History Month! Parents, please take the time to educate your child on the notable contributions African Americans have made to our society. February is also Florida Schools' Volunteer Month! At Eastbrook, we are very fortunate to have dedicated, hard-working, enthusiastic Dividends who contribute to the success of our students. Thank you for making a difference!

As we mentioned, Eastbrook is on the rise! We have two new playgrounds and currently our exterior is being painted. We are so excited to have this aesthetic update as we take great pride in our great school!

Finally, we are excited that our efforts to increase technology are coming to fruition. Currently, all intermediate grades have one-to-one devices. This means all third, fourth, and fifth grade students have their own computers. Further, we are continuing these efforts in our primary grades. As we continue our commitment of guiding classrooms into the 21st century, our new technology purchases will create active learners, collaborative classrooms and make global connections to students' interests, talents, and experiences. As always, thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Herndon

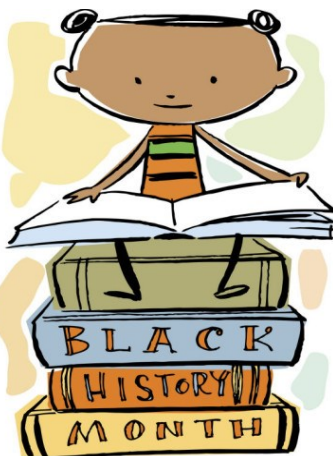


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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

February 1-29-Parent Snapshot Survey is Open	
February 1-29-Grades 4 & 5 Student Surveys Open	
February 1—PTA Board Meeting	6:00pm
February 2-Groundhog Day	
February 2-FAST Dance Party	
February 6- Grades 3-5 Science Benchmark Assessment	
February 7-3rd Grade Field Trip	
February 7-Skate Night @Semoran Skateway	
February 9-2nd Grade Field Trip	
February 10- Running Club Meet @ Hagerty High	
February 14-Happy Valentine's Day	
February 16-Prince & Princess Ball	
February 19-No School—Presidents' Day	
February 20-Color Run Kick Off	
February 27-Class, Club & Spring Individual Photos	
February 28-Eagle Excellence Lunch	
February 29-PTA Board Meeting	6:00pm

K Hello Kindergarten Families,

What a fantastic January we had in kindergarten, and now we're ready for an even more exciting February! Our little ones smoothly got back into their routines after the winter break, and I hope this month brings health and happiness to all. Every school day matters, so let's keep the positive vibes going by having your child join us each day.

This month, we're continuing to make friends and create wonderful memories for our kiddos. Our goal is to make the kindergarten environment full of love and joy for them every single day.

In Reading, we will keep working with our sight words as we prepare for First Grade. It's essential that our students are Ready. Also, make sure to read daily to your child. Reading is incredibly important in kindergarten as it establishes the foundation for lifelong literacy skills. Beyond teaching letters and words, it plays an important role in developing language, cognition, and emotional intelligence. Early exposure to reading not only prepares children for academic success but also instills a love for learning, setting the stage for a positive and enthusiastic educational journey.

In math, we are working with addition and subtraction. Also, we are currently working on math fluency. Math fluency in kindergarten provides a crucial foundation for future academic success, enhancing problem-solving skills and easing the transition to more advanced mathematical concepts. Also, we are going to explore numbers from 11 to 20 very soon. This means we'll be counting, representing, and working with these numbers, including writing the numerals and breaking down the "teen" numbers into groups of ten and some extra ones. Get ready for some math fun!

A heartfelt thank you to all our wonderful kindergarten parents for your unwavering commitment to your child's learning journey. Your dedication plays a crucial role in creating a supportive and enriching environment for our young learners.

1 Happy February, First Grade Families! Our classrooms are full of love and learning this month! Be on the lookout for information from your child's teacher about Valentine's activities they will be doing in class. In Language Arts, we will continue to identify characters, setting, important events, and the moral of the story using a variety of texts.

We will also look at informational texts, identifying the main point and key details. In writing, we are continuing to focus on writing complete sentences. We will discuss President's Day in the classroom.

In Phonics, we will be fishing up learning all our sounds and really starting to practice reading different texts, not only words. We will be starting sentence dictation instead of spelling so we can practice and apply all the skills we have learned this year. Please keep practicing those sight words!

In math, we are stating place value and start addition and subtraction within 100. Please continue to practice counting on ones and tens from any number.

In Science, we discuss Earth's surface and what living things need. Many students really enjoy learning about the plants and animals in their surroundings. Please point out living things as you come across them in your daily activities and discuss what that living thing needs to survive and discuss why non-living things do not have those needs.

In social Studies, we will be discussing Geography and how where you live affects your everyday life. As always, we thank you for supporting us and your child's learning!

2 Hello everyone!

We recognized the milestone of the 100th day of school on January 24th. We are excited that we have now officially passed the halfway point of second grade! Your students are closer to third grade than 1st grade. We hope that you are seeing the growth that we are seeing in their reading, writing, math, and science skills as well as their study habits. We recognized their achievements at the Awards Ceremony and seeing so many of you there encouraging and supporting your children was wonderful! Literacy Week was also great fun! We LOVE seeing our students read!

This month, we will exchange Valentines and share the joy of being able to celebrate friendships. You should receive a letter and a list of student names from your child's teacher. Our Friendship Celebration will be on Wednesday, February 14th. Please send in Valentine Boxes & Cards by Monday Feb. 12.

We look forward to our field trip Giraffes Can't Dance on Feb 9. Please make sure all money, parent authorization forms and field trip forms have been turned into your teacher.

Eagle Press: Intermediate Classes

In Reading, we continue to work a great deal on building fluency and on comprehension of what we read. We are learning about weather in science, and 3 digit addition and subtraction in math using a variety of strategies. We are stressing the importance of neatness and taking time on math problems to ensure accuracy. We also encourage students to continue completing their weekly homework, read regularly, get their 30 minutes of I-ready in both reading & math and complete a minimum of 1 AR quiz each week. We truly appreciate all of your help and support.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go."

– Dr. Seuss



3 Wow! We can't believe it's February already. Our students have been working so hard and achieving personal goals. We have our Field Trip to the Environmental Center on Wednesday February 7th. This will allow us to go and explore nature up close and personal.

In Reading, we will continue to talk about different text structures such as chronology, cause and effect and compare and contrast. We will also be working more with vocabulary and finding the prefixes and suffixes within words.

In Math, in addition to reviewing multiplication and division facts, we will be learning about Geometry: Shapes, Area and Perimeter.

In Science we will be focusing on Light and Heat. We will also study the sun and stars.

In Social Studies, we are learning about the Economy and why it's important. Please continue to make sure that your students are reading every night and completing their homework. They also need to practice their math facts daily!

4 Happy February! The next few months are going to be very busy, but we are excited to share with you what we will be learning. In ELA, students will continue to work on reading comprehension skills. We will be reading more texts that talk about character development, narrators' point of view, central idea, relevant details and theme. In math, students will be learning how to multiply fractions with whole numbers. Please

continue to practice multiplication facts at home! In science students are working hard when doing labs in class. We will be learning about rocks and minerals and how to identify the different types and also how each of them is formed on Earth. In social studies we will be learning about the effects of the Spanish in Florida and how it became a state. In RAMP students are working on dividing whole numbers and decimals. Then, they will multiply and divide multi-digit numbers with decimals to the hundredths place using estimation, rounding and place value.

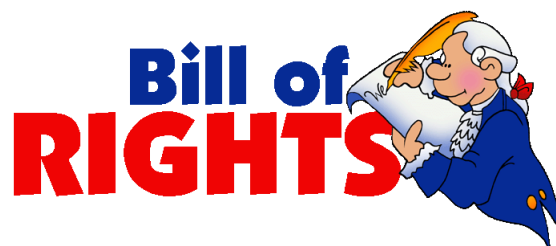
5 5th grade students enjoyed their second field trip of the year to NASA's Kennedy Space Center. This science based field trip had our students coding and performing operations with robots, learning about botany on Mars, and exploring the history of different space programs and a glance to the future of space exploration.

ELA- In February we continue Unit 4, asking "how do we decide what's important?" The students conclude their text sets and determine what information is important and how to differentiate important information vs supplemental information.

Math 5- After concluding the unit on the coordinate plane 5th grade mathematicians will start their study of fractions. They will start with adding and subtracting fractions then move on to multiplying and dividing fractions.

Science- We will be learning about plants, animals, and the environment. In these lessons, students will learn that plants and animals are adapted to live in specific environments and when the environment changes, some plants and animals are able to survive while others do not.

Social Studies- After we complete the study of the American Revolution, we will move on to Civics and Economics in America. The leading question is how did the Constitution and Bill of Rights give Americans a foundation for political and economic success?



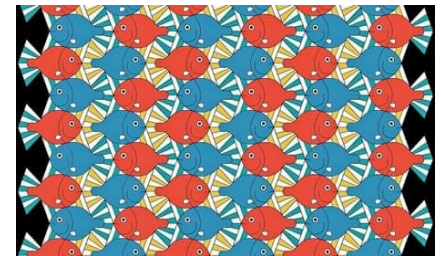
Music We are having a fantastic time in music class. 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students have started recorder and we are learning our first recorder songs of the year. Recorders are still for sale in the music room for \$10. Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd graders have had a great time singing, dancing, and playing instruments. Ask your child which instrument he or she likes best. Everyone is enjoying the strumming sounds of the ukulele!



Art Corner



This month 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will learn about M.C. Escher and Victor Vasarely and will create their own optical illusion art. All grades will also work on some Valentine's Day art while we wait for our clay sculptures to come out of the kiln. Clay needs to dry for three weeks before getting fired, so we have to be very patient! Everyone will take their sculptures home this month. Thank you for your support,



PE Hello everyone!

February will be filled with more excitement as the students of Eastbrook will be working on Volleyball skills and mini games during PE. Students will also get to experience two weeks of Gatorball. A unique mix of Football and Soccer. Please be aware that Field Day will be on March 12th for K-2 and March 14th for 3-5. More information to come about times and volunteer opportunities for both Field Days.

Eastbrook Food Pantry

If your family is in need of food, please email **Mrs. Hickey** at

alice_hickey@scps.k12.fl.us

We will prepare a bag for you and send it home with your child each Friday. You can also pick it up each week if you prefer.

This support is available to all families and your request for assistance will remain private.



Thank you!



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**Thank You
Action Church
for your
continued
support!**





AWESOME EAGLES



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

Corinne Pope	Miles Baldini
Jeremy Cardona	Atreus Agabi
Jeremiah Harper	Luna McMillian
Jayden Singh	Caius Severson
David Mitchell	Aislinn Long
Kara Holtrey	Ariel Lampi
Miles Armstrong	Liam Palley
Alan Barrios	Kali Saint Georges
Alzielys Perea	Mila Rivera
Lizzy Fabian	Mckinleigh Cobb
Na'Zayla Register	Summer Tittle
Dylan Truong	Alexander Jeffers
Jalyn Watson	Kaylin Fredrick
Saul Rebolledo	Orianna Hernandez
Jayden Nguyen	Dane Hickman
Ezra Davis	Mairelys Adonia Vathiotis



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

Gracie Hutcheson	Kindergarten
Cassius Nelson	First Grade
Olivia Santos	Second Grade
Miguel Medina	Third Grade
Emily Castillo	Fourth Grade
Christopher Garcia	Fifth Grade



Congratulations to **Dylan Edwards** for scoring a **PERFECT SCORE** on the 2023 Grade 4 FAST ELA Reading Assessment.

Congratulations to **Josiah Gonzalez** for scoring a **PERFECT SCORE** on the 2023 Grade 4 FAST Mathematics Assessment.

Congratulations to our Reflections Award Winner, **Alessandra Mejia**. We are so proud of you!





NEWS

Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports

What is PBIS ?

PBIS is an evidence-based three-tiered prevention framework to improve and integrate all the data, systems, and practices impacting student outcomes. National research shows that full implementation of PBIS leads to reduced exclusionary discipline and improved student and teacher outcomes. With the PBIS framework, we are developing skills, making improved system changes to our school environment, acknowledging appropriate behavior, and using data to identify support for all of our students.

Please check out our Eastbrook PBIS Presentation here:

[Eastbrook PBIS Presentation](#)

PBIS Framework

1. Build safe, positive school climates
2. Enhance and support effective school systems
3. Include all stakeholder input and support
 - a) Faculty and staff
 - b) Students and families
 - c) Community members

PBIS Goals

1. Create environments that help students achieve success
2. Develop positive, supportive relationships among stakeholders
3. **Prevent** problem behaviors from occurring
4. **Teach** appropriate behaviors
5. **Acknowledge** appropriate behaviors of all stakeholders

Family and Community Members as Partners

As a part of these efforts, time and resources are dedicated to student, family, and community relationships. Close participation of family and community members is critical for student success.

What can you do as a family member to support PBIS?

1. Share your knowledge about how your child learns best and ways for supporting your child's behavior, including background and cultural information, with your child's teacher and school staff.
2. Ask your child's teacher about options for ensuring that home-school communication is maintained and that positive experiences, as well as any concerns, can be discussed proactively.
3. Express your interest in your child's education to both your child and to his/her teacher. Talk to your child about the importance of education and positive behavior. Ask your child for specific examples that illustrate behavior demonstrating the Tier 1 expectations throughout their day (e.g., "How did you show Respectful behavior during math today?")
4. Express your interest in the success of the school by asking your child's principal and classroom teacher about options to engage with and participate in areas of importance to the school.
5. Share your understanding of your child's issues with your child's teacher. Ask your child's principal and teacher how you can help in problem-solving within the school and community.

What can you do as a community member to support PBIS?

1. Share knowledge about community resources with school staff and family members.
2. Provide and support the school's access to resources.
3. Look for opportunities to reinforce behavioral expectations and provide acknowledgments to students within and across community settings.

— Save the Date —

Eastbrook Elementary



Prince & Princess Ball
Friday, February 16, 2024

6:00

— Fancy Attire —





ELEMENTARY February 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
 <p>Put some pep in your step! Bell Peppers are February's Produce of the Month.</p>			<p>Maple Waffles with a Warm Apple Topping Scrambled Eggs Potato Wedges Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>100% All Beef Hot Dog or Cheese Pizza Baked Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>
<p>5 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>6 Chicken Alfredo or Pasta Alfredo Fresh Cooked Broccoli & Breadstick Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>7 Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Italian Beef) Mixed Veggies Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>8 Grilled Cheese or Grilled Turkey-Ham & Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>9 Chicken Sandwich or Cheese Pizza Baked Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>
<p>12 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>13 Nachos with Toppings or Nachos & Beef with Toppings Pinto Beans Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>14 Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Chicken Alfredo) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Cheez-It® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>15 Orange Chicken or NEW! Asian Glazed Chicken Rice or Lo Mein Fresh Cooked Broccoli Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>	<p>16 100% All Beef Hot Dog or Cheese Pizza Fresh Cooked Carrots Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Cheez-It® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers</p>
<p>PRESIDENT'S DAY</p>	<p>20 Boneless Wings Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Pizza Lunchedible Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>21 Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Italian Beef) Mixed Veggies Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>22 NEW! Plant-based Chick'n Sandwich 100% All Beef Cheeseburger or Hamburger Roasted Corn Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>	<p>23 Chicken Sandwich or Cheese Pizza Baked Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels</p>
	<p>Special Treat: Fortune Cookie</p>			<p>Special Treat: Rice Krispies®</p>
<p>26 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>27 Orange Chicken or NEW! Asian Glazed Chicken Rice or Lo Mein Fresh Cooked Carrots Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>28 Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Chicken Alfredo) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	<p>29 Soft Taco with Toppings Black Beans Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers</p>	
<p>Special Treat: Fortune Cookie</p>				



FEBRUARY PTA NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to all of our families who supported our Chipotle Spirit Night last month. It was also great to see so many families at our recent General Member Meeting and Literacy Night. Thanks so much to the Eastbrook faculty members who helped facilitate this event and representatives from our local Texas Roadhouse who joined us for a storytime! We have hundreds of new and gently used books that we've collected in our hope to provide a Book for Every Eagle! If you weren't able to pick out a book for your student at Literacy Night, please be sure to join us at one of our future events where we will have them available.



This month we will host another Skate Night at Semoran Skateway on February 7th and then our Prince & Princess Ball on February 16th. Stay tuned for more information on this fun event! We will kick off our biggest fundraiser of the year on February 20th. We know that Eastbrook students will enjoy participating



in our Color Run on March 1st and hope that everyone will participate as we raise funds to stock the shelves in our library!

Thanks to everyone who has supported Eastbrook PTA so far this year, either by joining the PTA, purchasing spirit wear, contributing to a fundraiser, attending or volunteering for an event! We value your participation in any way you can. Do you think you're interested in becoming more involved in the PTA? Now is a great time to do so! Please email president@eastbrookpta.org for more information.

-Katherine Fabian
2023-24 PTA President

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are looking for several volunteers to help with a variety of events in the spring including the Color Run, STEM Night, Wellness Night, 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, please email president@eastbrookpta.org to let us know! Many hands make light work!



JANUARY EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 7th: Skate Night, 5:30-8:30pm
- February 16th: Prince & Princess Ball, 6-7:30pm
- February 20th: Color Run Fundraising period begins
- March 1st: Color Run



OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT

It's never too late to join the PTA! Scan the QR code to the right to join today! We also have business membership options! You can also purchase spirit wear by scanning this code.



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!



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

