



The Eagle Press



September 2023

Soaring High with Eagle Pride!

A Note from the Principal

The month of August has flown by and September is here! The hard work and dedication from our amazing Eastbrook Eagles continue to impress me.

We can't wait to celebrate Grandparents' Day with your beloved grandparents. Please be sure to RSVP.

Parents, please take the time to ask your children about their learning each day. They should be able to articulate to you what they are working on in each subject. I strongly encourage you to continue to have quality conversations with your child and ask them what they learned each day in school.

Finally, I will send a letter to each family asking for a \$10.00 donation for our AR Program. Please consider investing into our reading program and initiative as we know, Readers are Leaders!

Thank you so much for your support and for sharing your children with us! "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."- Helen Keller

Educationally yours,



Mrs. Herndon

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| <u>IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR</u> | |
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| September 1—Eagle Excellence Lunch | 12:00pm |
| September 4—Schools Closed—Labor Day | |
| September 5—1st Grade Curriculum Night | 5:00pm |
| September 5—2nd Grade Curriculum Night | 5:45pm |
| September 5—3rd Grade Curriculum Night | 6:30pm |
| September 5—PTA Board Meeting | 7:15pm |
| September 6—4th Grade Curriculum Night | 5:00pm |
| September 6—5th Grade Curriculum Night | 5:45pm |
| September 7—3rd Grade FAST Reading | |
| September 8—3rd Grade FAST Math | |
| September 8—Grandparents' Breakfast | 7:15am |
| September 10—Happy Grandparents Day! | |
| September 11—4th Grade FAST Reading | |
| September 12—4th Grade FAST Math | |
| September 14—5th Grade FAST Reading | |
| September 15—5th Grade FAST Math | |
| September 19—SAC Meeting | 7:30am |
| September 21—Junior BETA Club and Junior National Honor Society Inductions | 6:30pm |
| September 22—SAC Meeting | 7:30am |
| September 26—School Picture Day | |
| September 26—FAST Parent Night | 5:30pm |
| September 26—PTA Safety Night | 6:00pm |

K Hello Wonderful Kindergarten Parents:

Wow, this year has started off on a good note. The children are eager, excited and ready to learn.

The Kindergarten Students have been busy working on the Letter "M" and our sight words this week is I and A. I know that our classes have mastered these sight words and are looking forward to this quarter's Sight Word Party. If students learn all of their sight words for the quarter, they get to attend a very special party at the end of the quarter. The Sight words for quarter one is as follows: a, and, can go, I, like, my, see, the to.

It's a great idea to make flash cards with your child and practice with him/her each night.

Eastbrook is excited to begin a new program called Success for All. It's a great way to teach Language Arts and even has a special friend named "Alfie" who is a puppet alligator.

Don't forget to make sure your child brings a snack from home each and every day and be mindful that it's only a five-to-ten-minute affair so please keep the snacks appropriate for that time.

Last, please practice with your child each night on how to write their name and we will certainly keep this trend going at school. We are very excited and happy to be serving the children under our care and look forward to a fantastic school year.

1 Happy September, First Grade Families!

The First Grade Team has loved getting to know your children. Each class has worked hard to develop rules and routines that make our days run smoothly. By now you should be in the habit of checking your child's planner calendar nightly and we thank you for staying on top of work. We have much learning to look forward to in September.

In reading, we are working on phonics, blending, and decoding words to help us read. We ask you to work on sight words often. Students should be able to recognize the words automatically, without having to sound them out. Putting the words on index cards and keeping them in the car is a great way to practice while you're on the go. We are also working on our first unit, Getting to Know Us, and discussing what makes us special.

In Math, we are practicing our addition and sub-

traction facts. Please continue to practice the fluency of addition and subtraction facts within 10.

In Science, we will discuss the properties of objects. This will not only include using our five senses, but also discussing how objects are hot and cold and whether they sink or float.

In Social Studies, we will learn about rules and responsibilities, as well as authority figures within the school and our communities. We thank you for your support, and please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

2 The 2nd Grade is off to a great start and the teachers are enjoying getting to know all of their students! Each class has worked hard to establish classroom routines that will help foster community and learning. Our goal this year is to be partners with you to help your child learn and grow. Homework is an area that develops responsibility and can reinforce skills taught in class. It is sent home on Tuesdays and returned the following Tuesday. Please make sure to check work before it is returned to their teacher. Planners come home and are returned daily so that you can see their behavior as well as any important notes of communication from their teacher or the school. In reading, we are learning to become readers who think about what we read. Please make sure your child is reading at least 20 - 30 minutes every night. Some skills that we are working on include building vocabulary, retelling the important key details and being able to respond in complete sentences. Learning to write in complete sentences with correct conventions & their best handwriting takes time and practice. Encouraging your child to do this on all written assignments including homework will benefit them. They have reviewed short vowel sounds and plural nouns that add s and es at the end. In math, your student has been working on addition and subtraction facts to 20 and building foundational number sense. We are encouraging good citizenship in the classroom, around the school and on electronic devices. Your student should have completed their i-Ready Reading and Math Diagnostic. I am sure they focused and did their very best. You will be hearing from your student's teacher in reference to scheduling your first conference towards the end of the month. Thank you for all of your support and we look forward to a great year!

Eagle Press: Intermediate Classes

3 Our third-grade teachers wanted to say a huge thank you for a great start to this school year. We have all enjoyed getting to know our new students and are excited for an amazing year! After spending the first weeks of school building community within the classroom, establishing classroom procedures and academic expectations and learning what it means to become an independent worker, our third-grade students are steadily moving toward an understanding of their role as a learner, a teacher among their peers and a model to students in all grades. Students are expected to assume a larger role in their learning as much of what is learned is evaluated by how well the student can teach the concept to someone else, can relate it to life in more kid-friendly terms and can apply what is being learned in class to what is being learned outside of class. It is also at this time of the school year when we instill in our students the value of establishing a daily reading routine, getting a restful night's sleep and arriving at school on time and ready to learn. We ask that parents and guardians partner with us to ensure their student's success in school by checking their folder, reading communication sent home from the school and showing an interest in their student's academic progress. We look forward to spending this year with your student and know that together we can make it a great year for third graders at Eastbrook Elementary!

4 The fourth-grade team is excited that the 2023-2024 school year has started! We have enjoyed getting to know your children this past month. In ELA, we are working through our first unit focusing on skills like authors perspective and character development. We are also strengthening our writing skills and working on developing strong expository paragraphs with evidence-based texts. In Math, we have started to learn about place-value through 1 million and rounding. We will soon be moving on to multi-digit multiplication. Please continue to practice your multiplication facts nightly! In science we have been learning about the scientific method and the difference between making observations and inferences. We will be moving on to the topic properties of matter where we will learn about mass, volume and magnetic vs. nonmagnetic.

In social studies, we are learning about Florida's geography and its effects on the southeast. Homework has started, so please be sure to check your child's folder to make sure they are working on it nightly. Parents, please be on the lookout for the St. Augustine field trip letter. We will be getting that out to you in the next few weeks! We are looking forward to a great year!

5 Hello 5th Grade Families!

5th Grade Math: Students will be able to develop an understanding of addition and subtraction of decimals using models, strategies, and understanding of decimal place value. Students learn to estimate and compute sums and differences of decimals to hundredths.

ELA: Our 5th graders will conclude their unit of study on Unit 1 where they build knowledge around the Big Idea, different ways that ideas can begin. The students will read several selections over the course of six weeks about the different ways that ideas may begin.

Social Studies: 5th graders will study the political and physical geography of the United States by comparing Native American culture groups, explaining the reasons European explorers came to the Americas, and analyze the effects of European exploration in the Americas.

Science: In these lessons, students will learn that matter is anything that has mass and volume. Also, solids have definite shape and size (volume), liquids have no definite shape, but have a definite volume and takes the shape of their container, and gasses have no definite shape or volume, but take the shape and volume of their container. All matter is made up of very small particles called atoms.



Parents of Car Riders:

Please use the car line to drop your car rider off each morning. Please do not go around carline or drop your child off in any other location other than one of the two car ramps. Thank you.

RAMP 4 & 5

Students in RAMP4 started the year off with a review of multiplication, looking at patterns and methods that would help them easily recall their multiplication facts. From there they began a unit exploring divisibility rules to find factors of a number and added two new vocabulary words to their repertoire – prime and composite numbers. By mid-September, students will shift their focus to recognizing and generating equivalent fractions, learning to compare fractions by comparing them to a benchmark such as one-fourth, one-half, one-third, two-thirds, and three-fourths.

Fifth grade RAMP students began the year exploring ways to find the least common multiple (LCM) and greatest common factor (GCF). Their knowledge deepens as they use the distributive property and the GCF of numbers to rewrite numeric expressions. From there, RAMP students focus on multiplying and dividing multi-digit numbers with decimals to the thousands, as well as multiplying and dividing positive fractions. By mid-September, students in RAMP5 will learn how to rewrite rational numbers in different but equivalent forms, including fractions, decimals, and percentages, and finally finish the unit by solving multi-step real world problems with fractions, decimals, and percentages.

Music



Music class at Eastbrook focuses on three key areas: Performing, Creating, and Responding. When the students come to music, their activities include singing songs, playing instruments, listening to music, and dancing. Ask your student to sing the song they learned, or tell you about the instrument they played.

A recent brain study showed playing music and reading music “activate regions in all four of the cortex’s lobes.” In music class at Eastbrook, we are striving to engage all of our children’s brains

The Eastbrook Chorus has resumed practice. Our chorus is a non-auditioned group open to all 4th and 5th graders. If your child is interested in joining this group that meets before school, make sure they get a chorus packet from Mrs. Langston. Applications are still being accepted. brains

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PE What an awesome and fresh start to the school year!

Eastbrooks PE program has talked about expectations, nutrition and all five components of physical fitness. Its been a pleasure having each student at PE. We are eager to watch them grow in our throwing and catching unit this month.



Art Corner



Welcome back, Eagles! It has been so much fun seeing everyone back in the art room. On the first day in art, we talked about the abstract artist, Wassily Kandinsky, and made a small square in his style. The squares all came together to create a collaborative mural in the activity center. Everyone did an amazing job!

We will use all kinds of art materials this year to experiment and practice new techniques. Everyone can expect to use oil pastels, paint, charcoal, ink, and clay. This month, 2nd and 3rd graders will start weaving with yarn, and 4th and 5th graders will start their sewing projects. I am so excited to see what everyone creates!

Thank you so much for your continued support.
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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!





NEWS

What is Title 1, Part A?

Seminole County Public Schools (SCPS) receives an annual allocation of federal dollars to provide supplemental resources to schools that have high percentages of children who qualify for free or reduced-priced lunch. ESSA and Florida law determine the eligibility of schools and how funds are allocated to eligible schools and programs.

Currently, 13 elementary schools, four middle schools, three special centers, one charter school, and 13 non-public schools are receiving supplemental resources through Title I, Part A.

Improving the Academic Achievement of Disadvantaged Students

Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) supports reforms and innovations to improve educational opportunities for low-income students. The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), a reauthorization of ESEA, was signed into law on January 8, 2002 and represents the most significant changes to educational policy in over 35 years. In December 2015, President Obama signed into law the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) which again reauthorized ESEA.

ESSA includes provisions that broaden the definitions of educational excellence, while maintaining critical civil rights for all students. In addition, ESSA includes provisions designed to focus on providing students the diverse, integrated curriculum and learning experiences necessary for a well-rounded education. Title I, Part A of ESSA is designed to provide all children a significant opportunity to receive a fair, equitable, and high-quality education, and to close educational achievement gaps.



All Title I schools are required to employ only state-certified teachers and highly-qualified instructional paraprofessionals. If at any time your child is taught by teacher who is not certified, your school will notify you. In addition, you have the right to:

- * Request information about the professional qualifications of their student's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals.
- * Be notified if your child has been taught for four or more weeks by a teacher who is not state certified
- * request, and the school must provide, opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children

If you would like to receive more information, please visit our school website or contact the front office.

Title 1 Parent-School Compact Coming Soon...

The Title 1 Compact is an important document which outlines the expectations of our students, parents, and staff as members of our school community. This pledge is an agreement designed to promote a partnership between the home and the school and is signed by students, parents, and staff each year.





AWESOME EAGLES



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STAR Students

Each month we will be honoring students who display the following positive character traits:

- respect
- gratitude
- honesty
- caring
- responsibility
- courage
- generosity
- creativity

These students will be recognized on the school morning news!

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

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| Veronica Kachirski | Ellie Place |
| Grayson Gibby | Max Williams |
| Von Gordon | Jennie Palley |
| Asiya Naji | Zayden Coleman |
| Scarlett Vining | Arya Hernandez |
| Thiago Manrique | Riley Solomon |
| Marly Castro | Kamrie King |
| Juliette Gil | Shepherd Guiles |
| Graham Riesen | Wyatt Whatton |
| Callan Rueter | Avaya Perez |
| Julia Paquette | Maddy Hunt |
| Lily Rosario | Lyla Caro |
| Asher Hutchinson | Juliana Lucovich |
| Gabby Beauford | Irving Forestier |
| Julius Teaken | Hayden Kemp |
| Noelle Korb | Larelai Ross |
| Yanelis Rodriguez | ☆☆☆☆ |

Eastbrook Elementary

Eagle Excellence Awards

Students have the opportunity to earn Eagle Excellence Awards by exhibiting our Eastbrook Expectations:

- ◆ Be Safe
- ◆ Be Respectful
- ◆ Be Honest
- ◆ Be Ready



Each month we will draw names from each grade to enjoy lunch with the principal and assistant principal!



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

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| Julioano Sivar | Kindergarten |
| Messiah Fennell | First Grade |
| Emmanuel Nonthe-Baxcajay | Second Grade |
| Isabella Torres | Third Grade |
| Asher Hutchinson | Fourth Grade |
| Naomi Mitchell | Fifth Grade |





ELEMENTARY September 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**

BREAKFAST

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

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

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 |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| | | | | 1 |
| NO SCHOOL | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 |
| | Boneless Wings Roasted Corn & Dinner Roll Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers | Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Italian Beef) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers | Cheese Quesadilla or Chicken Quesadilla Pinto Beans & Salsa Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers | 100% All Beef Hot Dog or Cheese Pizza Fresh Cooked Carrots Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Macaroni & Cheese Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Cheez-It® Crackers Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers | Orange or Teriyaki Chicken Rice or Lo Mein & Fresh Cooked Broccoli Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers Special Treat: Fortune Cookie | Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Chicken Alfredo) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Cheez-It® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers | Soft Taco with Toppings Black Beans & Tortilla Chips Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Cheez-It® Crackers | 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 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels | Chicken Alfredo or Pasta Alfredo Fresh Cooked Broccoli & Breadstick Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels Special Treat: Rice Krispies Treat | Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Italian Beef) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels | 100% All Beef Hamburger or Cheeseburger Roasted Corn Hummus Box Turkey & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels | Chicken Sandwich or Cheese Pizza Mixed Veggies Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Pretzels Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Pretzels |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Dinner Roll Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Pizza Lunchedible Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers | Orange or Teriyaki Chicken Rice or Lo Mein & Fresh Cooked Broccoli Hummus Box Turkey-Ham & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers Special Treat: Fortune Cookie | Oven Fresh Pizza (Cheese , Pepperoni or Chicken Alfredo) Green Beans Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers | Nachos with Toppings Pinto Beans Hummus Box Turkey-Ham & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers | 100% All Beef Hot Dog or Cheese Pizza Fresh Cooked Carrots Smuckers® Uncrustables® Cheese Stick & Goldfish® Crackers Egg & Cheese Chef Salad Goldfish® Crackers |

Menus including A La Carte Menu available online at RedAppleDining.com

Menu is subject to change.



SEPTEMBER PTA NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are off to a great 2023-24 school year! Last month we had an awesome first Skate Night and Spirit Night at Kelly's Homemade Ice Cream. We enjoyed seeing many of our families at our first General Meeting & Bingo Night last month. Thanks so much to everyone who joined us for these fun events! We also had a blast with our Mario-themed Penny Wars! Congratulations to the VPK & Kindergarten team for winning the most points! Thanks to your donations, we were able to raise \$3,226 to support PTA programs for this year!

Thank you also to everyone who has joined PTA for this year. If you haven't joined yet, there is still plenty of time during our fall Membership Drive! **We have a goal of 350 members this year** and we are currently 84% to that goal with 294 members. The class with the highest percentage of members by **September 8th** will win a popcorn party and their teacher will win a Lakeshore gift card! Scan the QR code to the right to join today!

The PTA has a lot of exciting events planned for the year and we would love to have you involved with our plans. If you are interested in joining a committee or helping plan an event or fundraiser, please reach out to me at president@eastbrookpta.org for more information. Not able to volunteer at this time? No problem! We hope you'll join us at our various events throughout the year. Subscribe to our Google Calendar, stay tuned to our Facebook page, your email, and notices in your child's take home folder for more details on upcoming events!

-Katherine Fabian
2022-23 PTA President

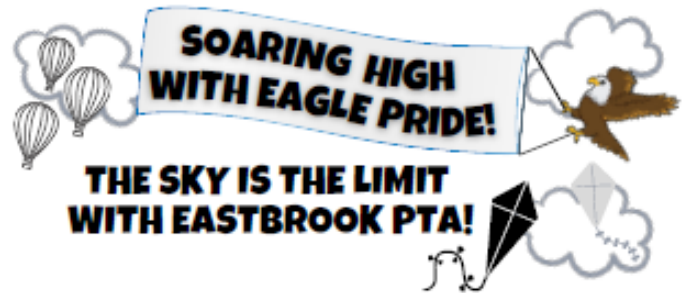


UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 5th: PTA Board Meeting
- September 15th: Panda Express Spirit Night
- September 26th: FAST Info Session & PTA Safety Night



Scan the QR code to the left to subscribe to our Google Calendar to stay up to date on all upcoming events!



Visit our Memberhub Store to join PTA, purchase a Spirit Shirt or water bottle, make a donation, or become a business member! Scan the QR code to the right or visit



<https://eastbrookwp.memberhub.com/store.org>

Additional spiritwear options are available for a limited time! Scan the QR code below or visit <https://goinkit.com/eastbrook/shop/home>

to place your order by **September 7th**. Items will be delivered to the school at the end of September. Remember that the PTA will be on campus one random Friday each month to distribute prizes to all students wearing an Eastbrook shirt!



REGISTER TO BE A DIVIDEND



Are you interested in volunteering during an upcoming PTA event, helping in your child's classroom or chaperoning a field trip? Be sure to register as a Dividend with SCPS: <https://dvd.scps.k12.fl.us/>

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!



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

Eastbrook Elementary School

Grandparents' Day Breakfast

Who: Students and their grandparents will enjoy breakfast in celebration of Grandparents' Day (Sponsored by Eastbrook)

Date: Friday, September 8, 2023

Time: 7:15 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.

Location: Eastbrook Elementary Cafeteria

Parents, please use this QR Code to RSVP and give your child's permission.



Happy
Grandparents' Day



What is the Florida Assessment
of Student Thinking?

Helpful
Resources

Score Information &
How are FAST results used?

Eastbrook Elementary

Florida Assessment of
Student Thinking
(FAST)

Parent Information Night

Test Timing
Test Schedule

State Science
Assessment

Please join us
Thursday, September 26
@ 5:30 P.M.
in the Eastbrook
Media Center

Subjects and
Grades Assessed

Test Design and Test
Item Types