

News from Laingsburg Elementary School & E.C.E.C.



February 14, 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEB. 15-18 ~ MID-WINTER BREAK – NO SCHOOL
MAR. 13 ~ ½ DAY OF SCHOOL AM – PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT PM FOR TEACHERS
MAR. 22 ~ ½ DAY – RECORDS DAY
MAR. 25 – 29 ~ SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL
APR. 30 & MAY 1 ~ KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL FREEMAN

Dear Laingsburg Families,



Wow, what a year we have had so far! Who would have thought that students would have missed 14 days of school because of ice/snow days! The word for this

year is “**unprecedented**”! In talking with other educators, no one can remember a time when we were off an entire week of school because of weather. It has been a challenge for everyone! Teachers have scheduled and rescheduled lessons, meetings, projects and activities. Parents have scrambled to figure out daycare for their children and activities to keep them occupied during the extended days off. In surveying students, I have received a mixed response. Majority are missing school and feeling bored at home. Some are cherishing their time off and hoping for more. I think most of us agree...enough is enough and we need a reprieve in the weather yet understanding that some things are just “out of our control”!

I have learned to appreciate every day that we are actually in school. I miss the busy halls, filled classrooms, noisy cafeteria and smiling faces. I get up each morning hoping to NOT receive a message of school cancellation. Rest is good but also is routine. Students as well as adults need routine. It is easier to be productive when there is consistency in a schedule. I find myself more distracted and less focused when I am not working in my office and among my colleagues. I have missed the lack of collaboration and community during my isolated times at home. I am longing to have an entire week of school without interruption and to be able to schedule meetings and events without having to reschedule two or three times. With all this, I

have become more grateful for daily routines, predictable schedules, and for schools full with children.

We are still busy planning for fun events in our schools. Math Night will be coming soon on Thursday, February 28 from 6:00 to 7:00 in the Elementary School. This is a time for parents and students to engage in many different math activities that promote mathematical thinking and skill building. All students K-5 are welcome to attend. We are also finalizing our date for Literacy Night which will be coming in March. We look forward to spending these evenings together having fun and expanding our knowledge in math and reading.

Hope to see you soon,

Sheila Freeman

LAINGSBURG SCHOOLS KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP SCHEDULED



It's that time of year again. Laingsburg Community Schools is compiling a list of students for our annual KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, APRIL 30 & MAY 1. If you have a child, who will be five years of age by September 1, 2019, please contact the Early Childhood Education Center at 651-3100 or Laingsburg Elementary at 651-5067 to register. Students currently in Laingsburg's Wolf Pup's Preschool will need to register and attend Round-up.

Families of registered students will be mailed a packet in late March – early April informing them of the date and time their child is scheduled to attend Round-up as well as what papers they will need to bring. Should you have any questions, please contact the Laingsburg Early Childhood Education Center or the Elementary office.

TITLE I TALES TO TELL

Hello Families,

One of the most memorable books I read when I was in school was a book called *The Giver*. It was so remarkable, I think of it often. Books can do that to us— hold a place in our memories for years to come.

As a reading teacher, I hope to guide students to these wonderful reading memories. Please take a look at these links to see if you can help spark your child's reading interest with a new story. Most of these books can be found via download, and we will have any available in our library for check out, too.

<https://www.readbrightly.com/great-read-aloud-books-older-kids/>

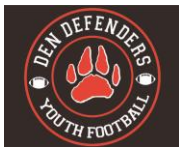
<https://www.commonsemmedia.org/blog/best-kids-books-of-2018>

Enjoy some good reading time as we get through these cold days of winter— brrrr.

Happy Reading,
Mrs. Green
Title 1 Director



DDYF FLAG FOOTBALL REGISTRATION



All K-8 students are welcome to sign up for flag football this year. The season runs April 13 - May 18 with no additional practice dates. Practice/warm up is right before the game. Players receive a reversible jersey and flags to keep after the season. Cost is \$60 and \$30 each additional player. Register on our Facebook page @DenDefenders. Deadline is March 3rd.



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ALL EVENTS**

**If you have pictures from sports/clubs or other
Elementary School Events that you would like
to contribute**

Please Contact the yearbook advisor:

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FAMILY FUN *math* NIGHT

Thursday, February 28th 6:00-7:00 at LES



You can COUNT on us to provide a night full of fun math, laughs, and activities for the whole family.

