



EAGLE SCHOOL

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Looking Ahead

Friday, December 8

- ◆ EAGLE Spirit Day
- ◆ Rocky's Pizza lunch
- ◆ TGIF: Madrigal Performance
- ◆ Madrigal (without) Dinner, Aud, 6:30 PM

Monday, December 11

- ◆ Cello Recital, Auditorium, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, December 12

- ◆ EPO Meeting, Commons, 8:30 AM
- ◆ Prospect Visit, 8:30 to 11:00 AM
- ◆ 6/7 & 7/8 Winter Concert, Aud, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, December 13

- ◆ Culver's lunch
- ◆ Math Olympiad (7th period)

Thursday, December 14

- ◆ STEM Presentation, Auditorium, 11:20 to 11:50 AM

Friday, December 15

- ◆ TGIF: Market Day

Tuesday, December 19

- ◆ January lunch orders due

Wednesday, December 20 – Tuesday, January 2

- ◆ Winter Break

Wednesday, January 3

- ◆ School Resumes

Friday, January 5

- ◆ Noodles & Co. lunch
- ◆ TGIF: Clubs

EAGLE Happenings



Teachers Reveal Wishes

In keeping with the merriment of the season, parents often ask what they might give a special teacher for a holiday gift. To make shopping a little easier, we are forwarding with this newsletter our 2017 Staff Wish List. The items on the list can be ordered online or through our catalogs. If you wish to purchase (or contribute toward) one of these items for a staff member, please notify Wade in the Main Office and drop off your check or cash contribution. If you decide to purchase something from the wish list on your own, please let us know what you've chosen so as to avoid duplication. **Please know that donating in this way is strictly voluntary and certainly not expected!**

Also, if you are planning year-end donations to charitable organizations, please keep our scholarship fund and/or general fund in mind. Because we are a non-profit organization under the federal 501(c)(3) codes, donations to the school are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

STEM Talk Next Week

Our next STEM presentation, showcasing the use of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics in the workplace, will be held in the Auditorium during first recess (11:20 to 11:50 AM) on Thursday, Dec. 14. All students in units 4/5 and up are welcome to attend. Engineer Yiying Xiong will be sharing information about hydropower and dam engineering. We hope you will join us!

Are You Ready for Market Day?

EAGLE's annual Market Day is next Friday, Dec. 15, beginning at 2:00 PM. Students who are planning to sell their creative products or provide entertainment should be preparing for the festivities. Come one, come all—parents, grandparents, friends and neighbors—to EAGLE School's Market Day!



Kēva Fun Night

EPO will sponsor an all-school family party at Kēva Sports Center on Saturday, January 27, 2018, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Beat the winter blues by joining other EAGLE families for active fun and refreshments. We don't want you to miss it, so mark your calendars now!

Important Information



Winter Storm Policy

If school is closing or starting late due to inclement weather, you will be notified by our **One Call Now** messaging system via phone or email. (If you haven't taken the necessary steps to modify or add to your contact information in the **One Call Now** system, please do so immediately. A link can be found on the EAGLE website.) A delayed start or school closing will also be posted on Channels 3, 15, and 27. Once school is open, we never close early. If you feel that weather conditions are dangerous, you may certainly come and take your child home. No need to call first, as it is important for us to have phone lines open for emergencies on bad weather days.



Baby, It's Cold Outside!

We remind students to be prepared for recess and other outdoor activities by dressing appropriately for cold weather (jackets, hats, gloves). If snow is on the ground or in the forecast, please bring boots and snow pants. To protect our carpet from being constantly wet, students who wear boots to school in the morning should change to shoes once they are in the building—shoes for inside, boots for outside.

Second Semester Tuition Payment Due

If you are paying tuition under the Semester Payment Plan, your second installment is due by Jan. 1, 2018. (Tuition notices were mailed yesterday.) You may mail a check or stop in the office on or before Dec. 19 to pay in person.

Tax Deduction for Private School Tuition

Did you know that Wisconsin offers a tax break for parents with children in private schools? The tax deduction, which began in the 2014 tax year, allows families to deduct up to \$4,000 for tuition paid for dependent children in grades K-8, and up to \$10,000 for high school students. [Click here](#) for more information. (EAGLE tax ID is 39-1413598). Parents, please note that tuition receipts for the 2017 calendar year will be sent home with semester reports in January.

Volunteer Opportunities

We Need Your Help!

From January 3rd to June 4th, we have **27 volunteer slots** to be filled for lunchroom (Monday and Thursday) and playground (Wednesday) supervision, **with January slots being top priority!** Please consider helping us with these very important duties. You do not have to commit to a monthly rotation—just pick the dates that work best for you. Please go to [SignUpGenius](#) **today** to volunteer. Questions? Contact Volunteer Coordinator Jimlene Pleva (jimlene@eagleschool.org).

Seeking CLUB Leaders

Being an EAGLE club leader is a fun and rewarding way to share your special interest or hobby with a small group of students. Our second semester clubs will meet during TGIF (2:00 to 3:10 pm) on the following Fridays: Feb. 9, March 2, April 6, May 11. If interested in leading a club, please email Carole (carole@eagleschool.org).

Thank You!

Thank You from the EAGLE Library

A heartfelt thank you to the following students, parents, grandparents, and friends who made last Saturday's book fair at Barnes and Noble both delightful and successful:

- Tiffany Lee for chairing the day and coordinating parent volunteers
- Jenny Iskandar for creating the handsome wish list display
- EAGLE parents and grandparents who attended several planning meetings and/or volunteered at the book fair
- EAGLE families and staff who purchased wish list books for the library and shopped at Barnes and Noble
- Marcia Beckett for providing fun art activities
- Jane Kufel and Traci Murphy for coordinating the sweet singing by the Nesters
- Darlene Harper for leading the delightful singing by 3/4s, 4/5s, 5/6s
- Mark Bridges and Laura Mericle for providing beautiful music by strings students
- Alum Andrew Siehr for impressive cello and piano performances
- Alum Matthew Berthoud for leading inspiring improv
- Alum-parent Dan Siehr for procuring the electric piano and speakers
- Madison children's book author Dean Robbins for his entertaining and informative presentation

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the eleven EAGLE students who took part in the Madison Area Math League Competition at Memorial High School on Wednesday, Dec. 6. Our Junior Varsity team, comprised of J.R. C-F., Geoffrey H., Simon K., Ananya K., Wolfie N., Sammy R., Joshua W., and Lukas W. captured FIRST PLACE, with individual recognition going to J.R. (third place), Lukas (fourth place), and Simon (fifth place). William J., Abby L., and Reena K. competed at the Varsity level where William placed fourth. We are very proud of our mathletes!

2018 Enrollment

Sibling Applications

If you have a child who you would like to enroll at EAGLE for the first time next fall, please note that the priority application deadline for siblings is February 1, 2018. In order to submit a complete application packet by the deadline, we encourage you to schedule an appointment to have your child tested (IQ) in December or January by an evaluator of your choice. If you need suggestions, please contact the school office for a list of examiners in the Madison area who have agreed to test EAGLE applicants.

Early Visit Days Scheduled

On Tuesday, Dec. 12, from 8:30 to 11:00 AM, we are hosting an "early" visit day for prospective families who have children entering kindergarten in the fall of 2018. During this visit, parents will have an opportunity to tour the school, meet with our director and guidance counselors, and observe in classrooms. If you know someone who might want to learn more about our school, and whose child will be in kindergarten in the fall, please share this information with them.

To register for a visit day, interested parents should email marykay@eagleschool.org. Beginning Jan. 9, eight more visit days will be offered for prospective families with children entering grades 1-8 next fall. The dates of these visits can be found on the [EAGLE website](#).

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Using AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support EAGLE School every time you shop, at no cost to you. Shopping at smile.amazon.com is comparable to shopping at Amazon.com—same prices, same selection, with the added bonus that if you designate EAGLE as the recipient of their donation, Amazon will contribute 0.5% of the purchase price of your items to our school.



Enjoy a Holiday Food Fight!

Looking for a great gift for that person who has everything? A Food Fight gift card might be just the ticket. Food Fight, a group of Madison restaurants, offers a 10% rebate to non-profit organizations that sell their gift cards. Buying a gift card for that special someone is an easy way to add funds to the school with no extra expense to you. Food Fight gift cards are available for purchase in our Main Office. (**Advance notice** for large orders is appreciated; email your request to jimlene@eagleschool.org. [Click here](#) for a complete listing of participating Food Fight restaurants.