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Looking Ahead

Friday, September 22

♦ TGIF: Brass Knuckles

Sunday, September 24

- ◆ Intermediate Potluck, Commons, 12:00 to 2:00 PM
- ♦ 3/4 Potluck, Commons, 5:30 to 7:30 PM

Thursday, September 28

♦ 5/6 Indian Lunch, Auditorium Lobby

Friday, September 29

- ♦ October lunch orders due
- ♦ Quiznos lunch
- ♦ TGIF: 7/8 Teach Day

Sunday, October 1

- 4/5 Ice Cream Social, Iskandar Home,
 2:00 to 4:00 PM
- ♦ 7/8 Potluck, Commons, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Tuesday, October 3

♦ 3/4 to Talking Spirits Cemetery Tour, 12:10 to 2:30 PM

Wednesday, October 4

- ◆ UP to Wisconsin Historical Museum, 8:35 to 11:20 AM
- ♦ 6/7 to Villalobos Brothers, Overture, 9:15 AM
- ♦ Culver's lunch

Friday, October 6

- 5/6 − 7/8 to A Midsummer Night's Dream, APT, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
- ♦ TGIF: Reptiles are Cool!

Monday, October 9

♦ NO SCHOOL - Staff Inservice

Important!

Online Sign-Up for Fall Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will take place on Thursday, Oct. 26, from 12:30 to 8:00 PM. Next week, one parent per household will receive an email asking you to select your conference start time using SignUpGenius. The one parent who will receive the invitation is the one person you circled on your Fall 2017 registration form. Signing up for parent-teacher conferences is simple—select your preferred start time, enter your child's last name, enter your email address, and click the "sign-up" button at the bottom of the page. That's all there is to it!

A confirmation of conference start times will be forwarded with the Oct. 19th issue of the Aerie-Gram and *SignUpGenius* will send you a reminder a few days before conferences.

If you have two children at EAGLE, you will receive two emails. Please open <u>both</u> sign-up sheets and review the available times before making your time selections. This will give you a better chance of getting your start times close together.

Thank you for making time in your schedules to come to school and meet with teachers individually. Should you have any questions about the sign-up process, please email annlarget@eagleschool.org.

Don't Forget!

STEM Workshops

The Math and Science departments would like to host presentations/workshops demonstrating how the knowledge and skills students learn here at EAGLE may be used out in the real world. We are looking for parent volunteers who work in Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Mathematics (STEM) related fields to give short presentations about how they use STEM in the workplace. Presentations/workshops will be held in the Auditorium on Thursdays during first recess (11:20 to 11:50 AM). The audience will be comprised of interested students in grades 4/5 and up. If you would like to share your knowledge of how you use STEM in your career, especially if you are in a biomedical field, please contact math teacher Dylan Mathieu at dylan@eagleschool.org for a list of available dates. As soon as we have several parent speakers signed up, we will announce the date of the first presentation.

Sign Up for October Study Club

EAGLE's after-school Study Club provides students with two hours of teacher-supervised time (3:25 to 5:30, M-F) for study and recreation. Participants may stay for one or both hours at a cost of \$12.00 per hour, per student. (If registering two or more days in advance, the cost is only \$10 per hour, per student.) Click here to access the Study Club sign-up for the month of October.

General Information

EAGLE Writing Center

Each Friday beginning next **Friday, Sept. 29**, Nesters through 7/8s can visit EAGLE's Writing Center in Room 26 to receive help from trained 7/8 writing tutors. The Writing Center will be open during both recesses in Room 26. Students may come to the Writing Center on their own or by teacher recommendation. The 7/8 tutors will listen, ask questions, provide a sounding board, and help lead students to improvements in their writing. Any student interested in using the Writing Center should discuss this opportunity with his or her language arts teacher. Questions? Talk to Jenn or email her at jenn@eagleschool.org.

Transportation Contracts

If you live in the Madison, Verona, Oregon, or Monona school districts, you are entitled (by state law) to reimbursement for your transportation costs to and from school, up to an amount determined by your district's average cost of transporting public school students. Our office submits to these districts the names and contact information of eligible families, however, it is up to parents to make sure they receive a contract from their district and follow the instructions for receiving the reimbursement. Please contact your public district office for more information.

Public school transportation contacts:

Madison: *Michael LaCount, (608) 442-2898* Verona: *Patti Fenske, (608) 845-4331* Oregon: *Lisa Christensen, (608) 835-4006* Monona: *Mary Hinrichs, (608) 316-1912*

Sign In, Sign Out

Please remember that all visitors and volunteers must sign in and out as they enter and leave the school through the main lobby. The sign-in/sign-out sheet is located on the small student desk right <u>outside</u> the Reception Office. Also, students who are leaving before the end of the day, leaving for an appointment, or returning from an appointment must sign in or out in the notebook on Susan Thompson's desk (Reception Office). This is important for the accurate recording of attendance, as a student who returns to school without signing in could be marked absent for half or three-quarters of a day.

Quick-Glance Calendar

To assist with extracurricular planning, view our <u>October Quick-Glance Activity Calendar</u> of after-school activities. Please reference this guide when signing up for Study Club and other activities.

Clubs Prove Interesting and Fun for All!

Last week, during TGIF, students participated in their first club meetings of the year. From yearbook to yarn, football to folk dancing, Monopoly to Magic, and everything in between, eager participants enjoyed activities related to their areas of interest. Many thanks to the following club sponsors:

Ann Larson – Alphabet Books
Carol van Deelen – Math Ninja
Lena Brandis – German Foods
Matt Gallo – Football
Marcia Beckett – Yearbook
Janice Lacock – Folk Dancing
Mary Langlie – Nature Kids
Jonathan Mason – Fun with Video
Jessica Blatter – Crafts

Sarah Wright – Environmental Awareness
Barb Prescott – Invent This
Denise McCulley – Messin' Around with Science
Andrew Lindstrum – Magic
Rosey Snellman – Hooked on Yarn
Dylan Mathieu & Sara Mess – Monopoly
Terra Theim & Preeti Solanki – Lego Building
Yazmín Ávalos-Cano & Yann Biancat – Kickboxing

No doubt about it, there is certainly something for everyone in this semester's TGIF Clubs. Future Club dates include Oct. 13, Dec. 1, and Jan. 5.

Another Successful Picture Day

This past Tuesday, in just under three hours, photographers from Inter-State Studio, with the help of some fantastic volunteers, snapped over 280 pictures of EAGLE students and staff. Photo packages will be delivered to student lockers in approximately four weeks. On **Wednesday, Oct. 25**, we will host a photo make-up day for anyone who was absent on Picture Day. For more information about photo packages, visit https://interstate.com/.

Lunch Orders Due Next Friday

Orders for October hot lunches are due next **Friday, Sept. 29**. Please remember that it is <u>not necessary to print</u> <u>your order form</u>; on your check, just write the payment number that appears on the screen.

EPO Meetings, Events, & Fundraisers

Frozen Custard at Fitchburg Farmer's Market - TODAY!

Today after school, EAGLE volunteers will be serving up yummy frozen custard, donated by Culver's on Todd Drive, at Fitchburg's annual "Fall Fest" celebration, located on E. Cheryl Parkway under the big white tent. Along with our fundraiser, there will be live music, free horse-drawn carriage rides, tote give-aways, plus fresh food and flowers available from the market vendors. Don't' miss out on all the fun! Show your support of our school and community by joining us at the market between 3:00 and 6:00 PM.

Scholastic Books - Order by Monday!

Scholastic Reading Club flyers were placed in lockers of UPs through 7/8s last week along with ordering instructions (also forwarded with this newsletter). All book orders must be placed ONLINE by **Monday, Sept. 25**. Paper orders with checks will not be accepted. The books will be distributed in early October. Questions? Contact Scholastic coordinator Dia Caulkins (djcaulkins@gmail.com).

Berbee Derby – Join Team EAGLE

The Berbee Derby, an event that offers a 10K run and a 5K walk/run, takes place in EAGLE School's neighborhood at Fitchburg Business Park on Thanksgiving morning (Nov. 23, 2017). 100% of race proceeds benefit the Technology Education Foundation, which funds science and technology education initiatives in the Madison area. EAGLE School has been a past recipient of these funds. Registration is open, and we're in the "Extra Early Bird" savings period until October 1. Invite your family and friends to join the EAGLE School team. For details, visit www.berbeederby.com. To register, follow this link to the EAGLE School Team page.

<u>Tri4Schools Fall Mud Run Fun – Saturday!</u>

Plan to join us this coming **Saturday, Sept. 23**, at Festival Park in Verona, for this year's *Family Mud Run*. (A few slots remain open for same-day registration.) For more information, click here. If you decide to register on **Saturday, be sure to specify EAGLE as the school to which you would like funds donated. Questions? Please email Dia Caulkins at dicaulkins@gmail.com.**

Student Council News

Congratulations to the following 2017-18 Student Council representatives:

4/5: Megan, Elsa, Aharon, Sadie (Alternates: Ellie, Grant)
5/6: Lois, Gavin, Cole, Alexandra (Alternates: James, Sara)
6/7: Liv, Megan, Sam, Akasha, Oliver, Zan, Gabby, Katherine
7/8: Rafay, J.R., Ceci, Aidan, Peter, Toby, Alex, Patrick

We will elect an executive board each semester. This semester, Student Council will be led by the following officers:

Co-Presidents: Rafay & Toby

Vice-President: Zan Secretary: Liv

Record Keeper: Alexandra

Publicity Co-Chairs: Ceci & Patrick

Purveyor of Milk: Gavin

Thank you to everyone who ran for a position as a representative or an officer. Your willingness to serve is what makes EAGLE so great!

Save the Date!

EAGLE Book Fair

Mark your calendars now for **Saturday, Dec. 2**, when the EAGLE School library will host its third bi-annual Book Fair at Barnes & Noble (west). Do your holiday shopping anytime in the store that day (or online that week) and a percentage of your purchases will benefit the EAGLE library. Donations for our all-day complimentary gift-wrapping efforts will benefit a selected charity. In-the-store afternoon family-fun activities will include musical performances by EAGLE students, crafts for children, book talk and signings by local author(s), and more. Interested in volunteering on the Book Fair committee? Contact EAGLE librarian Ellen Bunn (ellen@eagleschool.org) or Book Fair Chairperson Tiffany Lim (petetiff@netzero.net) to volunteer.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Needed in the Lunchroom

Need volunteer hours? Consider helping in the lunchroom on Thursdays, from 11:20 to 12:20, once a month. Please contact Volunteer Coordinator Jimlene Pleva at jimlene@eagleschool.org to express your interest.

Playground Volunteers Still Needed

We are in need of <u>two</u> parent volunteers to supervise on the playground during recess (11:20 to 12:20) on Wednesdays. If you are willing and available to help at least one Wednesday per month, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Jimlene Pleva at <u>jimlene@eagleschool.org</u>.

Ways to Support EAGLE



Anyone for a Food Fight?

Food Fight, a group of restaurants in Madison, offers a rebate program to nonprofit organizations that sell their gift cards. Purchasing Food Fight gift cards is an easy way to add funds to EAGLE School without costing you anything extra, and the cards make nice gifts for friends and business associates. For a list of participating restaurants click here. You may purchase Food Fight gift cards in the Main Office.

United Way Pledge Can Help EAGLE

Many of Dane County's local businesses and organizations offer a strong foundation of support for United Way as they choose to invest in improving Dane County, while providing networks for communicating United Way's mission. If your employer supports United Way and offers you the opportunity to do so as well, please consider designating EAGLE School as a recipient on your pledge form. Each dollar designated to EAGLE comes directly back to us, as we are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your tax deductible gift to EAGLE School through United Way will be used to enhance our programs and facilities. Your contribution will benefit our current students as well as those who pass through our doors in the future.