

## Evaline Families



Have a very  
**HAPPY HOLIDAY** and  
a **Happy New Year!!**

Winter Break will begin  
Dec. 22nd and we will resume  
classes on Monday, Jan. 5th.



## School Holiday Play!

Here are some pictures from the Wednesday matinee!

All of our students did a great job, it was so fun to  
watch! **Thank you to all the Evaline staff and Parents**  
**for making the play possible.**

*(More pictures on last two pages)*



## Important Dates!!



### DEC:

**Fri. 19th: 9:30am Late Start - 11:30am dismissal**

**Winter Break - No School**

**December 22nd, 2025 - January 2nd, 2026**

### JAN:

**SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH**

**Mon. 5th: Welcome Back to School!**

**Fri. 9th: Lion Paw Day 11:30 Dismissal**

**Mon. 19th: NO SCHOOL in Recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

**Thurs. 16th: Temperance and Good Citizenship Day**

**Tues. 20th: School Board Meeting - 6:30 pm**

**Fri. 23rd: End Of Semester**

**Tues. 27th: Safety City Field Trip for TTK - 2nd grade**

## Bus Route Reminder

**Bus Changes to Begin on 1/5/26**

Dear parents/guardians, we have new students joining us after  
winter break and need to make a few changes to the bus  
route. We sent out the new route last week with the newsletter,  
but we are attaching it again for your convenience.

**The new route will begin on January 5th.**



## TK and Kindergarten

Mrs. Tinnin

Have a great couple of weeks off. Everyone has worked so hard these past several weeks learning new songs. It was great to see all of the hard work pay off.



## First and Second Grade Explorers

Mrs. Mittge

The 1st/2nd Grade Explorers were amazing performers this week! Enjoy this festive family time! I am eager to see the kids in January. We have several "fishy" surprises come the new year! Keep reading for 20 minutes each night! Try tackling story problems! Wishing all of you a very merry holiday! Your children are precious gifts!



## Third and Fourth Grade Classroom

Mrs. Mars

It was so great to see all the student's hard work pay off this week with their musical and acting performances.

Have a Merry Christmas filled with fun and family. I will see everyone back in January!



## Fifth and Sixth Grade Classroom

Mr. Burlingame

Congratulations to everyone for their performances this week! Everyone have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I will see you all in January when we return to class!





## Special Education-Title1/LAP Social Emotional Learning (SEL): Mrs. Duren

During the month of December, in SEL class, we focus our efforts on the character trait of creativity. The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines creativity as "The ability to make new things or think of new ideas." Our SEL curriculum further defines creativity as "Using your imagination to create something new or to solve a problem."



There are two aspects of creativity that we put special emphasis on in SEL class which are: the use of creativity to help demonstrate the use of other character traits, and the varied ways creativity can be applied to the everyday life of each person and community. We have taken the opportunity to combine our creativity with gratitude and responsibility when our students decorated our food collection and distribution boxes with positive messages and holiday art for our annual food drive. We demonstrated our creativity in decorating our school tree with homemade decorations, our hallways and windows with lovely art projects, and providing specifically created holiday themed art for display in our district conference room. Our students shared their creativity to others by going out into the community to sing carols at the local senior center and at Cardinal Glass. Our students and staff have also been working hard at preparing for our winter holiday program where they are demonstrating creativity in the forms of acting, singing, dancing, entertaining, story telling, and playing musical instruments. We have further discussed the different ways creativity can be applied to forms of communication, and writing. We have been able to use our read aloud time as well as our activity time to appreciate these forms of creativity as well.

Perhaps the most important lessons we have learned about creativity this month have been the fact that creativity can be achieved through many formats and by anyone at any time. We can see it in a painting as well as in a delicious sandwich or the way we solve a math problem. We can see it in a good book, a lovely song, and in a new video game or in a great sports move or play. Creativity is all around us. It can motivate and excite us, and even comfort us, bringing a sense of peace. We hope that by focusing on creativity this month it ignites an openness in our students to try something new, to share things they enjoy, and to think outside the box, even when the rest of the world is doing the same old thing each and every day. We look forward to seeing what problems they can solve for their communities using their creativity in the future, and what new ideas and things they will create to share with the world, and help to make it a better place.

We hope you were able to attend our annual winter holiday program this week, and had the opportunity to experience first hand our students' and staff's creativity at its finest. This was especially demonstrated in the use of new class scripts, and the extra fun decor several of our classes work on to help transport our guests into their own wintery wonderland for the event. Thank you for supporting and valuing this aspect of their learning. It has been a longstanding tradition in our school which we are honored to continue. May you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We will see you back in January when we will learn more about the character trait of empathy in our SEL classes.