

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



Welcome Back!!
We hope all of our
Evaline families had a
wonderful, fun and
restful Holiday break!

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

Thank you to our school board members for volunteering their time and playing a critical civic role that helps form the bedrock of our democracy—public education. As a crucial bridge between the community and the school district, their efforts are instrumental in helping all of us realize the hopes and dreams we have for the children of our community.

Director Position #4 Mike Porter ~ Board President
Director Position #3 Jamie Moran ~ Board Vice President
Director Position #2 Ona Felker
Director Position #1 Anya Klemmensen
Director Position #5 Matt Klemmensen

THANK YOU



Rainy Day/Cold Recess

Dear Parents/Guardians, as you know the weather has changed and it is wet and cold outside. We ask that you please send your student(s) to school with appropriate rainy/cold day clothing. Please make sure your student(s) have a rain/warm jacket and shoes that can get wet as we still offer outside recess on rainy days. Thank you!



A.M. Bus Reminder

To stay on schedule, our school bus must follow a strict timeline and cannot wait at stops. If a student is not outside when the bus arrives, the bus will continue on its route. Please make sure students are at their bus stop **at least 5 minutes early each morning**. Thank you for helping keep transportation running smoothly and on time!



Important Dates!!



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SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

Fri. 9th: Lion Paw Day 11:30 Dismissal
Fri. 16th: Temperance and Good Citizenship Day
Mon. 19th: NO SCHOOL in Recognition of
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Tues. 20th: School Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
Fri. 23rd: End Of Semester
Tues. 27th: Safety City Field Trip for TTK - 2nd grade
Thurs. 29th: Booster Club Meeting, 3:10 in ¾ classroom

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Fri. 6th: Lion Pride Day 11:30 Dismissal
Fri. 13th: Valentines Day Party
Fri. 13th: 11:30 Dismissal
Mon. 16th: No School - Presidents Day
Fri. 20th: Stone Soup w/Grandparents
Fri. 20th: report cards mailed home

Attendance, It Matters

We are required to take daily attendance and notify you when your student has an unexcused absence. Every absence, excused or unexcused, is a learning opportunity lost and can have significant impacts on a student's success in school and life. A student who misses 18 or more days in a school year—just two days a month—for any reason is considered chronically absent. Chronically absent students are more likely to fall behind in reading and math and less likely to graduate from high school. Addressing chronic absenteeism and developing good attendance habits is a solvable problem for which we all share responsibility. If your student has **three unexcused absences in one month**, state law (RCW 28A.225.020) requires we schedule a conference with you and your student to identify the barriers and supports available to ensure regular attendance. In elementary school after **five excused absences in any month, or ten or more excused absences in the school year**, the school district is required to contact you to schedule a conference at a mutually agreeable, reasonable time with at least one district employee, to identify the barriers and supports available to you and your student. A conference is not required if your student has provided a doctor's note or pre-arranged the absence in writing and the parent, student and school have made a plan so your student does not fall behind academically. If your student has an Individualized Education Program or a 504 Plan the team that created the plan needs to reconvene.

TTK and Kindergarten

Mrs. Tinnin

Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed a restful break. It has been wonderful to see all of our students again.

In Kindergarten, students are reviewing letter sounds learned prior to the break. They are practicing reading and spelling four- and five-letter words, as well as writing complete sentences. Our focus in writing includes beginning sentences with a capital letter, using finger spaces between words, and ending sentences with appropriate punctuation.

In Math, Kindergarten students are working on addition and subtraction by finding missing numbers in number sentences (e.g., $8 + ? = 10$). They are using manipulatives and number bonds to support their understanding.

TTK has continued their unit on plants. Students are learning about the parts of a plant and what plants need to survive. They are also learning the letter sounds and proper formation of the letters M and A.

First and Second Grade Explorers

Mrs. Mittge

My heart is full! It is wonderful to have our students back!

First graders are using addition strategies to solve problems. Second graders are solving double digit subtraction problems with and without regrouping.

First and second grade students wrote an informational piece on how to make hot cocoa. They completed a hot cocoa craft to accompany their finished drafts.

Friday we welcomed our salmon eggs! This is the fourth year we have reared these cool critters. We are looking forward to watching these amazing creatures go through their life cycle!

Please remember to sign off on your child's 20 minutes of reading each night. Reading is so important to student growth and success. Students should be at Leap 5 with at least 25 AR points by the end of January. An updated AR report was sent home with students in their Boomerang Folders.

Third and Fourth Grade Classroom

Mrs. Mars

Welcome back from break, it has been great to have everyone back and to hear about all the fun they had.

This week our class welcomed two new students Nora and Elizabeth. Welcome to Evaline girls!



Students should be reading a minimum of 20 minutes each night. Please be encouraging your student to both start and finish a book before moving onto the next book. We have class time set aside each morning for students to take any needed AR tests. All students should be at leap 5 by the end of the month in order to hit Leap 10 Day, a fun day filled with activities, by the end of the school year. So READ, READ, READ!

Fifth and Sixth Grade Classroom

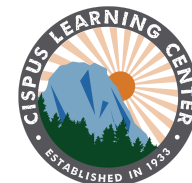
Mr. Burlingame

Welcome back from break, I hope everyone had a great two weeks off!

We will soon be doing a very fun unit on Shakespear's A Midsummer Night's Dream where students will be reading through a shortened version of the play!

6th Grade Parents!

It's hard to believe it but before we know it'll be time for Cispus! Please look out for information in the coming weeks for info on Cispus this year. There will be a parents meeting after school where any questions you have can be answered and we will briefly discuss graduation this year. If you know for sure that your student will not be attending Cispus, please reach out to me at sburlingame@evalinesd.k12.wa.us.



Cispus attendance is not mandatory but students who do not attend will be expected to be at school for alternative lessons.