

EISENHOWER'S EAGLE




Pioneer Day 2011 in Mrs. Heisel's class. All of the second graders learned how to make baskets, quilt patterns and log cabins. They also enjoyed an ice cream social and dressed in era appropriate attire for the day.

Dear Eisenhower Families,

While November was a mild month for us with warmer temperatures and no snow, we still have several months of winter weather ahead of us. Our Buildings and Grounds Department works hard to remove snow and ice to make sure our school grounds are safe. As a district, we will be using the National Weather Service's rating scale of safe time outdoors. The "magic" number to keep children indoors is -5 degrees with the wind chill and temperature combination. Children love to play outside in the snow and as long as the weather permits, we take them out for recess. All students are expected to be outside unless there is a medical reason prohibiting them from doing so. Please be sure to send your child in boots, snow pants, a warm jacket, hat and mittens to be able to participate in snow activities. Please also label all items with your child's name and be sure to check out the "lost and found" for any missing items.

Prior to winter break you will be receiving information about the book selection for this year's "All School: Read to Them!" We are excited to collaborate on this project with the Eisenhower PTA. Last year, we enjoyed hearing the children talk about reading at home with their families. In February, we had a blast participating in all the fun book-related events at Family Fun Night. If you did not participate last year, I encourage you to give it a try this year. By reading just a couple of chapters a week you will get some precious family time along with encouraging your child's love of reading.

I would like to extend my best wishes to all of you during this holiday season. There are so many wonderful things happening at Eisenhower each day. This would not be possible without your continued support and trust as we work with the most valuable and treasured assets of our community- your sons and daughters. On behalf of the entire staff at Eisenhower, I wish you the happiest of holidays and a safe and successful new year in 2012.

Happy Holidays!

*Sincerely,
Kristin Bowers, Principal*

DECEMBER CALENDAR



- Dec 12 School Board Meeting at Fisher Building, 7 pm
- Dec 15 Market Day pick-up, 3:00—5:30 pm
- Dec 16 Holiday Concerts, 10 am & 1:30 pm
- Dec 16 PTA Holiday Bake Sale during both concerts
- Dec 16 All School Skate at Incrediroll, 4—6 pm
- Dec 21 JK Holiday Sing, 10:00 am & 1:15 pm
- Dec 23 Holiday recess begins

LOOKING AHEAD.....

- Jan 2 Classes resume
- Jan 9 School Board Meeting at Fisher Building, 7 pm
- Jan 13 All School Skate at Incrediroll, 4—6 pm
- Jan 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, **No classes K—12**
- Jan 18 PTA Meeting, 8:15 am
- Jan 23 Inservice day: **No classes K—12**
- Jan 23 School Board Meeting at Fisher Building, 7 pm
- Jan 24 Eisenhower Used Book Exchange thru Jan 26
- Jan 26 Market Day pick-up, 3:00—5:30 pm

Sara James - General/Vocal Music and Chorus - ext. 1168

"I believe in music and in young people. Between the two, the world is a better place." -Isaac Stern

Winter Concerts

SK-2 - December 16 at 10:00 AM

Gym doors will open 40 minutes prior to performance

3-5 + Band, Chorus, Orchestra - December 16 at 1:30 PM

Gym doors will open 40 minutes prior to performance



Opera For The Young presents *Hansel and Gretel* Thursday, February 2, 2012

Opera for the Young (OFY) brings live, professional opera to elementary school audiences. Students will appear onstage in chorus and cameo roles, performing for their peers right alongside OFY's professional artists. The program is completely hands-on and interactive.

The 16-voice featured chorus will be chosen from 4th and 5th grade students in early January. All 5th graders will also learn music and perform on risers off-stage. Students from Kindergarten through 5th grade will learn about the performance and the opera genre. Students will be able to sing along with the opera from their audience seats. There will also be some great connections made in their Art classes with Ms. Sturtewagen.

What Can You Do to Support Music At Home?

Listen to music together!

Sing together!

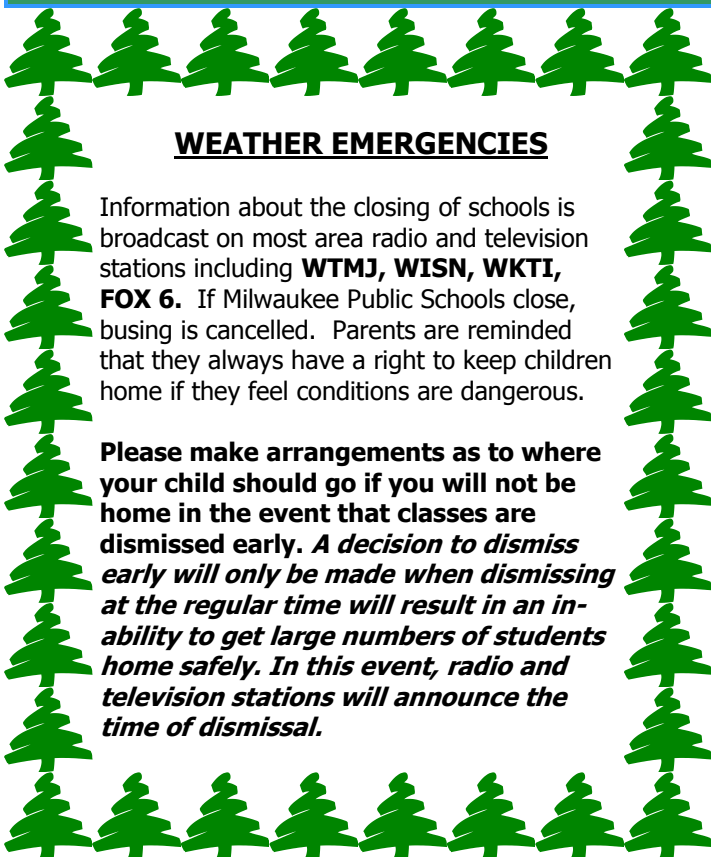
Play instruments together!

Attend concerts! There are TONS of free concerts in our area, especially in December.

Encourage creativity - have them make up songs or beat patterns to perform for you!

Ask questions about what they are learning in music class!

Ask them to show you! Ask them to sing for you! Ask them to teach you!



WEATHER EMERGENCIES

Information about the closing of schools is broadcast on most area radio and television stations including **WTMJ, WISN, WKTI, FOX 6**. If Milwaukee Public Schools close, busing is cancelled. Parents are reminded that they always have a right to keep children home if they feel conditions are dangerous.

Please make arrangements as to where your child should go if you will not be home in the event that classes are dismissed early. A decision to dismiss early will only be made when dismissing at the regular time will result in an inability to get large numbers of students home safely. In this event, radio and television stations will announce the time of dismissal.

Dress Warmly!



With cold weather approaching, please keep in mind that children are expected to spend part of the school day outside during recess and lunchtime.

Children should be dressed appropriately for the weather with hats, mittens and warm clothing. Boots are important so that feet and socks remain dry and warm.

Please label all items and check the "LOST AND FOUND" frequently!

Art News!



Are you good at building things?

I'm looking for a helper that has wood-working tools to help build a structure for a sculpture. Let me know if you are interested and I can give you more details.

Got Junk?

Next time you clean out your junk drawer or closets, instead of throwing things away, save them for the art room!

Things needed in the Art Room:

- Kid-friendly magazines
- Small found objects– game pieces, small sea shells, old keys, buttons, metal washers, costume jewelry, corks, film canisters, or other small trinkets
- Tinker-Toys or other building toys
- Shoe boxes
- Nylons
- Plastic flowers
- An old blow dryer

Up-Coming Events!

Select students will have work on display. More info coming soon!

December- Wauwatosa School District Fisher Building Art Show

March- Mayfair Barnes and Noble Art Show

April- Wauwatosa Public Library

May- Principle Financial Group Art Show

TBA- Eisenhower Art Night



LIBRARY CORNER

Do you ever struggle to find your next great book to read? There are many great resources available to us on the internet to inspire and guide our future book selections. One of my favorites is NoveList K-8 and NoveList, both available to us from Wisconsin's Badger Link site, <http://www.badgerlink.net/>. Here, students can choose their age, preferred reading genres, keywords, etc, and they receive back a list with images of relevant books to read!

Scholastic's Book Wizard, <http://www.scholastic.com/bookwizard/>, is another great place for kids to find the perfect book. Book Wizard allows the user to enter in authors, titles or keywords, and then narrow by age, reading level, topic, genre, and even book type. They can also save lists for future use.

So, log on, get hooked on another great book, and keep up your Streak!

Jenny Odau





APPLICATION DEADLINE SET FOR 2012-13

Open Enrollment applications will be accepted February 6-24, 2012 at the Wauwatosa District Office, 12121 W. North Avenue. Online applications will also be available through the Department of Public Instruction.

Please contact Student Services at 773-1080 if you have any questions regarding Open Enrollment.

Winter



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

How to Talk to Your Kids

The way you talk to your kids is as important as what you say. There are four things you should keep in mind.

Be trustworthy. Be forthright about what you know and honest about what you don't know. Avoid exaggerating the truth to make an impression or distorting the truth to spare your child or yourself discomfort. Let your child learn that they can trust what you tell them.

Be Brief. Don't beat around the bush; get right to the point. You will keep your child's attention and respect if you can avoid the tendency to give lecture or lengthy, involved arguments.

Be Clear. Use simple, concrete language geared to your child's level of development.

Respect Your Child's View. Ask your children what they think about issues rather than just telling them what to do or think. If you can talk to your young kids often and openly about any subject in the world, they'll quickly learn they can trust you with their secrets and fears.

MRS. MULROY

Ronald McDonald Service Project

Eisenhower Families,

Please consider donating to our all-school service project this holiday season. We will be accepting gift cards in lieu of teacher gifts of any amount to local restaurants, gas stations, stores for the guests of the Ronald McDonald house. We will start our collection on November 28th and continue through the holiday season. Thanks so much for your support. Any questions, please contact Laurie Meyer (lmeyer41@att.net) or Margaret Justin (jamjustin@juno.com).

The Eisenhower PTA



The Box Tops Piggy Bank is filling up, with over \$1000 in it already!



Let's make it \$2000!

Classrooms have enjoyed Movie/Popcorn parties, PJ days, Lunch in the Classroom, and a Breakfast party. Every time your class turns in 300 Box Tops, your teacher gets to choose another prize from the list!



Box Tops have Expiration Dates!!

Many of them will expire at the end of December, so turn them in now so we don't lose out on that money!



Celebrating 75 years of theatre in Wauwatosa!

**Children's Theatre of Wauwatosa to present
"To Laugh Is To Live"**

This is a delightful hilarious theatrical experience to be enjoyed by all ages. This performance is brought to us by G.L. Berg Entertainment from Minnesota.

If any parent would like to see the show for FREE - contact Kristen Adam at 414-479-0204 to find out about ushering opportunities. Otherwise seats cost \$4.00

Performance Dates

**December 3rd
Wauwatosa East High School**

**December 10th
Wauwatosa West High School**

Thanks A Lot

A big thank you to Margaret Justin for her ongoing efforts in maintaining (and organizing!) the Lost & Found.

Don't forget to check for missing items (located in hallway to the north of lunch

room entrance

across from band room).



Attention Parents & Room Parents for ALL grades



Please get your cameras out and take photos during the fall field trips, class parties, and special events! If we get one or two photos from EACH class for each event we will be able to have a more meaningful and special yearbook. The yearbook is definitely more special when we can include these extra events. Please put the photos on a disc OR you can email them to bbuten@sbcglobal.net Please include the grade and teachers name. If you have any questions please contact Brenda Butenhoff at 414-257-0263. Thanks and happy picture taking!!



Yesterday's "Eisenhower Day at Bowlero" was a great success. There were 50 students who showed up to bowl and several walked away winners of the spiritwear drawings. Congratulations to the 5th grade on having the most participants with 11. Your grade appears on the trophy pin in the office. Great job to the first grade with 10 participants and the fourth grade with 9! Who knows which grade will appear on the trophy next time? Remember there is Early Release Wednesday bowling every week at Bowlero. Watch for another "Eisenhower Bowlero Day" in the future.

Mark Your 2012 Calendars!!

Eisenhower Children's Clothing and Toy Resale

Friday, March 9th, 2012, 6-9 pm, Saturday, March 10th, 2012, 9 am-12 pm

Children's clothing, accessories, baby clothing, baby furniture, sports gear, toys, books, and much more.

Need to clean out the kids' closets and toy rooms?

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- Register as a Seller for a \$5 fee.
- Set your own prices with provided tags.
- Drop off your items and let us do the rest.
- **60% of sale price to Seller**
- **40% to Eisenhower Elementary**

Seller Registration:

January 11th 2-4 and 6-8
February 7th 8-10 and 5-7

Item Drop-Off:

March 7th 5:30-7:30
March 8th 9-11, 2-4 and 6-8

Sellers are not restricted to Eisenhower families. Anyone is welcome to register.

If you were a Seller last year and would like to keep the same Seller Number, you MUST register on or before Jan. 11th.

Call Michele Schultz at 258-7953 or Amy Johnson at 302-0657 for more information.

The Scholastic Bookfair was an enormous success! We sold over \$8,000 in books to our Eisenhower community. Families not only purchased books for themselves, but donated books to teachers' classrooms and to the One for Books campaign. We have earned over \$4500 in Scholastic Dollars that will be spent on more books and equipment for our school. *Thank you to everyone who participated.*

Thank you also, to the many volunteers that made this year's Fair fun and rewarding:

Jen Wilms, Co-Chair
Ann Stacey, Co-Chair
Nicole Schickel
Candace Otto
Suzy Anderson
Molly DelVecchio
Sarah Noerenberg
Amy Johnson
Melissa Coppage
Karen Singer
Sparkle Negron
Rosalie Patrick
Kelly Hess
Meegan Archambo

Kristen Flierl
Kara Boekenbauer
Andrea Gerke
Margaret Justin
Lynn Koenig
Michele Schultz
Ann Piek
Laurie Meyer
Jessica Delforge
Kelly Wentz
Sherry Voroski
Melissa Cavanaugh
Jenny Henzig
Deanna McDougal

Priya Kanungo
Melissa Veenendaal
Andrea Raue
Rhonda Kuhl
Sheree Nelson
Jenny Kuchta

Lezli O'Neill
Lisa Soboleski
Stephanie Hernandez
Julie Roberts
Terri Molter
Bijees Kauser

**TO THE
BOOK FAIR
AND BEYOND!**
Reading Is Out of This World!