

EAGLE FEATHERS

PTA Newsletter for Aspen Elementary School (www.aspen.alpineschools.org) February 2015

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome to February! We would like to welcome our friends from Taiwan! They arrived last night around 9:00. We also introduced them in our Monday morning assembly this morning. We look forward to their stay!

We want to remind you (especially parents of Kdg. students) that applications for our Chinese Immersion are now available and being accepted in the office (through February 27th). We hope to get a lot of support from our school community this year.

Tomorrow, or 1st - 6th grades will be attending the "Wizard of Oz" at PGHS. This will be a fun field trip for everyone involved.

We will be having our Chinese Celebration on Tuesday, February 10th. Please plan on attending! It will be a fun evening for everyone! Our visitors from Taiwan will be performing and we will have other performances/activities that evening as well.

Thank you SO MUCH for your continued support of Aspen Elementary! What a great place to be!

Mr. Davies - Principal - Aspen Elementary



PTA PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We are looking forward to a great month in February. How exciting to have students from Taiwan come to our school and to some of our homes. What a neat experience to merge cultures. Don't forget to come celebrate Chinese New Year with Aspen and the students from Taiwan. Feb. 10, 5:30-7:00. Everyone is invited to watch entertainment, and participate in different activities.

Students are showing their School Spirit by wearing the school colors or school T-shirts every Friday. Mrs. Lee's class won the first half of the school year with the highest percentage of her students showing their school spirit. Her class will receive a Swiss party some time in February. The competition is starting again. Help your child's class win a party, have them wear a shirt with school colors (blue and gold) every Friday.

Our next PTA meeting is Friday, February 6, 9:30 am. Everyone is welcome to attend. Come support your students!

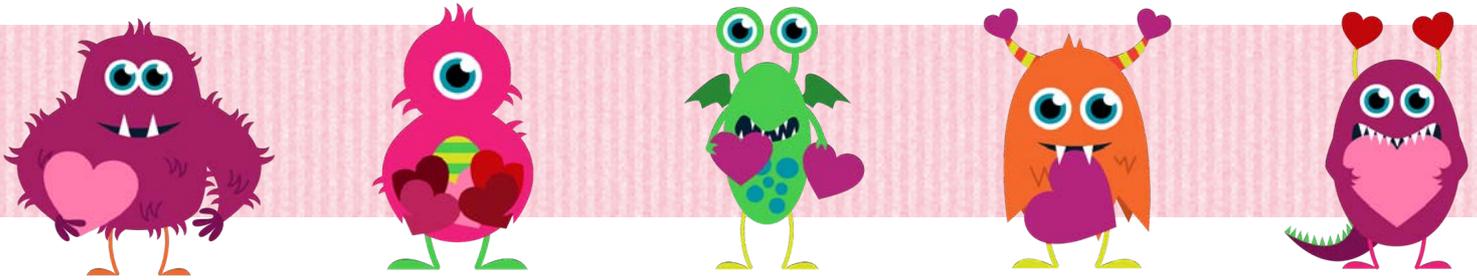
We have such a great PTA board, we want to thank each one for all their hard work and time put in to help Aspen be the great school it is. And a thank you to everyone that volunteers for the school! You each are making a world of difference!

Thank you!

Molly Zamboni and Ruth Young
Co-PTA Presidents

JOIN US February 10th at 6:00 p.m. for our Chinese Festival!





BATTLE OF THE BOOKS...

is coming up soon! Parents of the 3-6 graders who will be participating, please encourage your children to READ, READ, READ the books on their list to prepare. The books are all available in the school library. The battles at Aspen will take place in early March, and the District championship (for our winning 5-6 grade team) will be on Saturday, March 28. We will need many parent volunteers to help us out in our battles here at Aspen. Parents, watch your email as the date gets closer, for instructions on how to sign up to help. More details to come soon. If you have any questions please call Mrs. Christiansen.



STRENGTHENING FAMILIES PROGRAM

February 5th is our last opportunity to help with the Strengthening Families Program! This is a wonderful program that provides meals and training to families in need. It is very easy to help out and everything is provided for you to help with a small part of the meal.

Please contact Lara Rogers if you are interested in helping make a difference for families around our community or have any questions regarding this opportunity to volunteer. **Email address lararogers4@yahoo.com Cell phone 801-361-5007 text or call**

BOX TOPS

Parents! We have another submission for Box Tops coming due the 1st of March so it's time to start collecting again. We are going to hold another competition for the next 3 weeks. Your totals will be added to my running total for the year. We have a few classes that are close to winning a pizza party. Start collecting and get them turned in so we can earn more money for our school. I will start collecting the second week of February, so I can start counting and packaging them. I am also always taking Labels For Education, so collect those as well and turn them in with your Box Tops. Thanks for your support!



DONUT DATE

Our 2nd grade DONUT DATE is February 27 9:25-9:55 a.m.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

What is a Donut Date? A Donut Date is an informal gathering where a parent or other adult comes to the school to READ with the student on their special day. A donut will be available for both students and adults to partake of during the “date”.

Why do a Donut Date? This gives the parents or other adults the opportunity to come to the school and be involved in the child’s education. Plus, there are all of those wonderful yummy donuts.

Who can come to the Donut Date? Any adult that has an interest in the education of their student may come to the Donut Date (ex. Father, Mother, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts, Neighbors or Special Friends). Each month a different grade will be invited to participate in the “Date”.

Where is the Donut date? Due to the potential messy combination of students and donuts, the Donut Date will be held in the lunchroom. Adults will go directly to the lunchroom where they will meet their students.



ROAD TO SUCCESS!

Way to go Mrs. Anderson of the 4th grade! They earned our eagles nest this month with a whoppin 107,838 minutes!!! They are just doing awesome! Keep up the great work. As a school we are at 78%!!!! Getting closer to our year end goal. WE will have such a fun rewards party if we get our 1,000,000,000 minutes. Thanks for all the logging in recording your minutes. Its never to late to enter minutes. We will have a prize drawing in February for a new bike, scooter or a Ipod shuffle!

We had a fun time last Friday with the pink tickets prizes. Thanks for all the great volunteers that help writing those out. If your kid isn't getting any ask their teacher, and see if you can help out! We couldn't do it without our volunteers. Go read a good book with your kids and log in and record those minutes.

Thanks Jen and Christine



Road To Success

 KenGarff
Automotive Group

Aspen Elementary Storytelling Festival 2015

A school wide storytelling festival is going to be held on Monday February 23rd. Class or grade level competitions will be held in February. Class winners will participate in school storytelling festival on the 23rd. Parents of class winners will be invited to attend. Two students will be chosen at the school competition to represent Aspen at the district festival. A few winners will be chosen at the district to go onto the Timpanogos Storytelling Festival.

If you would like to participate:

- 1. Make up a story OR retell a favorite story, fairytale, or experience that is less than 7 minutes in length.**
- 2. Memorize the story.**
- 3. Practice the story using unique voice, gestures, pacing and timing, and poise.**
- 4. Tell your teacher you are prepared.**

