

A.E.L.'s Early Learning Edition

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From the Director's Desk

March Into Literacy

Dear Families & Caregivers,
We are *March-ing* right along! March is **National Reading Month**, and we celebrate **Read Across America Day** and **World Book Day**. This month, we're shining an extra spotlight on early literacy – reading, writing, speaking, listening, and communicating. In preschool, we focus on building strong pre-literacy skills that create a foundation for kindergarten and beyond.

We love seeing children explore books, play with rhymes and silly words, sing songs, recognize letters (especially in their names!), and “read” their favorite stories again and again. All of these joyful moments help grow lifelong readers and learners.

We will also be participating in a literacy focused activity with our GPS Elementary schools: **One School , One Book** with the book "Fenway and Hattie" (see details below).

How can you celebrate at home?

- **Visit your local library** – our nearby libraries in Greenfield and surrounding towns are full of magic!
- **Sing songs** together – silly or made-up songs build important literacy skills.
- Create a cozy **reading nook** with pillows and blankets.
- **Play alphabet games** in the car – look for letters and signs as you drive.
- **Tell stories** together – from books or from your own memories.

Most of all, enjoy books, language, drawing, and storytelling **together**. These moments truly last a lifetime! 📖✨

Warmly,

Jill Taglia, Director



AEL Celebrates SNOW Play!



Pics of your room

Getting ready to head down the BIG hill!



Pics of students

Engage parents and caregivers and help them look forward to your newsletter.



Snow is SO exciting!



Snow brings smiles!



Snow fun for everyone!



Sledding with friends!

AEI's P.T.O. News

Thank you to AEI's PTO and Supporters!!

Another special AEI PTO Sweetheart Dance! Thanks to all of you who helped and all that attended! Our PTO is THE best! You think of all the perfect details! Thanks for making this a special evening.



Greenfield PTO Calendar Raffle



It's that time of year - Greenfield PTOs Gift Card Calendar Fundraiser!

Our school goal is to sell as many tickets as possible throughout the month of March. Then, we will pull a winning ticket for each day in April. Once a ticket is picked, it will then go back into the pool with a chance to get picked again—giving someone 60 total chances at winning a prize!

Scan the QR Code for more information.

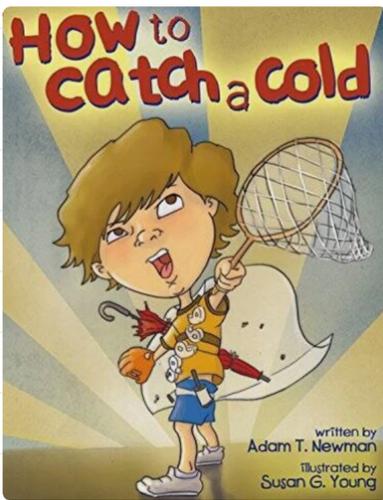
Upcoming Dates & Link to District Calendar

- **March 5** - No Preschool - Parent Teacher conferences
- **March 5**, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Open House for Prospective Families
- **March 6** - No Preschool - Teacher Inservice
- **March 11** - PTO Meeting @ 5:00 p.m.
- **March 16-20** Literacy Spirit Week (more information to come)



[Click here for the District Calendar](#)

Parent and Caregiver Resources for Literacy



Here is a fun story to enjoy together. We have all felt the impact of colds and flu this winter... Have some laughs with this book. "Kids keep disappearing from school one by one, and one kid is determined to find out what's happened to them! When he hears they've caught a cold, he decides to catch the culprit...with a net and tape! "

[Click here to listen to How to Catch a Cold](#) by Adam T. Newman

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