

# One town One school One family

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# A note from the principal

"April showers bring May flowers!" Well, we've made it to Spring — sunshine is upon us! We will still experience days of rain, but all in all the days are getting longer and we are coming out of hibernation. Sometimes it makes me wonder — why can't we experience sunshine and warmth all of the time? Then I realize — without the dreary and cold days we'd never appreciate the other. Isn't that a lot like the seasons in our lives? In our students' lives? How does that even apply to school? Well — without the productive struggle experienced in learning, we won't ever appreciate the "easier" times we have. School is where our students learn how to learn. It is where they are stretched and prodded — encouraged to take risks. It is where, in many incidences, they experience sunshine and warmth — and cold and dreariness. I'm not saying it's easy for most, or all unicorns and rainbows. School is a place for growth pains to happen. It is where they learn how to socialize and fall in love with learning. School is a safe place to make mistakes and have someone to be right there to pull them out of mud and gunk — and then to cheer them on at each mile until they reach the finish line of the marathon at graduation. It is a place for us to make memories. It is my hope that your student(s) will learn how to grow and flourish..because the showers bring the flowers. Remember, I am here for you during any season. My door is always open and if you should need anything — I'm a phone call away. Have a great Spring Break! Enjoy your family! ~Dr. Hunt



# ATTENDANCE



### **Facts**

- Participation in early education programs, like preschool and Head Start, lead to better attendance in kindergarten.
- Starting in kindergarten, missing 10% of school (or just 2 days every month) can make it harder to learn to read and cause children to fall behind in school.
- Good attendance, whether class is held in person or remotely, can help children do
  well in school, and eventually in the workplace and in college.



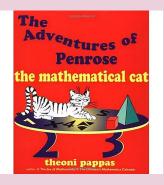
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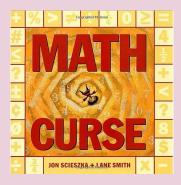
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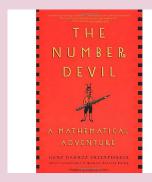
## **April is Math Awareness Month!**

Things to do to enhance your child's mathematical awareness...

 Read some math books! Math books can bring the concepts to life for children. Here are a few suggestions:





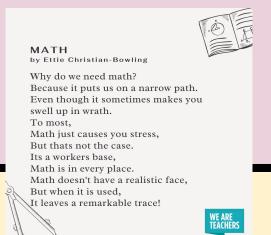


2. Read or write some math poetry! One kind is just poetry about math or some mathematical concept. For example, here is part of a poem called = 24 from the blog Math Mama Writes...

Two times two times two times three is the form that most pleases me. But even more, what I enjoy, Is that a number's like a toy.

3. Have a Family Math Night! <u>Tangrams</u> This site has some great information on tangrams and lots of shapes to create with tangrams. It even has instructions on how to create your own tangram set in case you don't have one handy or want more than one. <u>Family Math Games</u> Have you ever played Concentration? How about Go Fish? Or "Rummy"? Most everyone has played at least one of these games. But did you ever play them with a numbers and math twist? This site gives instructions on playing several games, most requiring little more than cards, a few coins, or some dice. <u>Math for the Fun of It</u> This page provides some simple ideas to encourage kids to think about math and numbers. Of course, if your child doesn't need any encouragement, he'll enjoy the activities anyway! He'll enjoy working out the answers in the games.

Mixing in Math This Web page has a number of activities that the while family can participate in, but many of them can go beyond a game night. They can be played all day long! (Without having to stay home and sit at a table.)



# REMINDERS



# Did you know?

April 4-8 is **SPRING BREAK** 

April 14th - SBAC testing 10th grade ELA & 11th grade Math April 15th - SBAC testing 11th grade SCIENCE & 12th grade Math

April 20th - 10th grade PSAT April 21st - SBAC 12th grade ELA

Mid 3rd Trimester is Friday, April 29th.

COVID Vaccination Clinic Every 3rd Saturday of the month beginning Saturday, 2/26 from 10-1pm in the library for anyone interested. No appointments necessary.



# **Spring Sports**

### **High School**

Baseball, Softball, and Track!

4/1 Track Meet - @ Deer Park

4/12: Track Meet @ Valley Christian - bus leaves @12:00 4/13 Baseball/Softball vs. Wilbur/Creston HOME @ 2:00 4/16 Baseball/Softball @ ACH bus leaves @ 7:30 4/19 Track @ Valley Christian bus leaves @ 12:00 4/20 Baseball/Softball @ Selkirk bus leaves @ 11:15 4/23 Baseball/Softball vs. Cusick HOME @ 12:00 4/26 Track Meet @ Odessa. Bus leaves @ 11:00 4/27 Baseball/Softball vs. Curlew HOME @ 2:00 4/30 Baseball/Softball @ Inchelium @ 12:00 bus leaves @ 9:00



If your child is sick - stay home! A fever is 100.4 degrees.

### Elementary and Middle School

After School Tutoring Available (contact your child(ren)'s teacher for more information) Tues. - Thursday

3:00 - 4:30

High School Study Hall

Mon. - Thursday 3:00 - 4:00

# Junior High

Baseball, Softball, Track Schedules subject to change

Baseball and Softball Practices begin 4/11th (3:10 - 4:30)

Track practices from 3:30 - 5:00

4/13 Track Meet @ Valley Christian @ 3:30 bus leaves at 12:00

4/20 Track Meet @ Valley Christian @ 3:30 bus leaves at 12:00

4/25 Baseball/Softball vs. Cusick HOME @ 3:45

4/27 Track Meet @ Valley Christian @ 3:30 bus leaves at 12:00