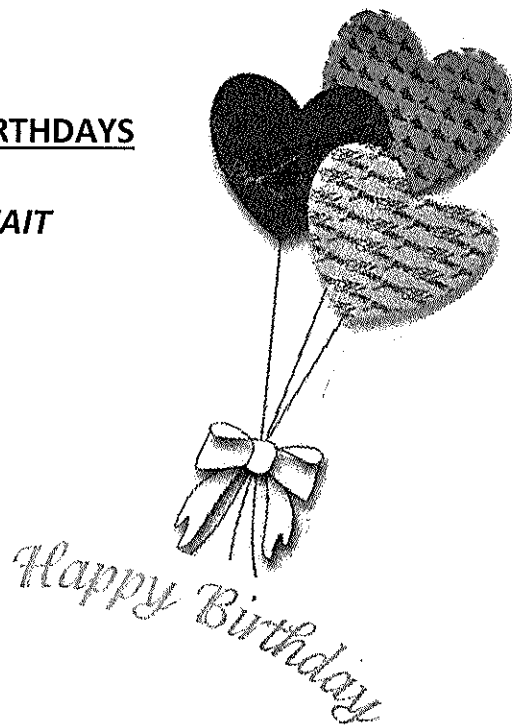


## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 14 Happy Valentine's Day!
- Feb. 17 NO SCHOOL – President's Day
- Feb. 24 NO Pre-School Classes today
- Feb. 28 4-H Week – Reading to Kdgn.
- March 3 Dr. Suess Night 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

<b>FEBRUARY 7</b>	<b>BRYNLEIGH POSTLETHWAIT</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 10</b>	<b>LANDON HUFF</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 11</b>	<b>EMMA CLARK</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 12</b>	<b>MAKENNA NORMAN</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 13</b>	<b>MILO BENNETT</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 18</b>	<b>BRYCEN DILLE</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 18</b>	<b>TRITON ICKES</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 20</b>	<b>CORA FROEHLICH</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 20</b>	<b>WYATT SWEENEY</b>

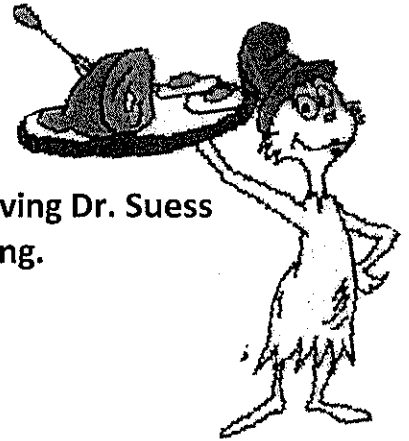


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## DR. SUESS WEEK

We will be celebrating Dr. Suess Week March 2nd thru March 6th with a different "Dress-Up Day" that week.

Monday	Mar. 2	Pajama Day
Tuesday	Mar. 3	Hat Day/Dr. Suess shirts
Wednesday	Mar. 4	Crazy Sock Day
Thursday	Mar. 5	Green Day
Friday	Mar. 6	Spirit Day



On Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. we will be having Dr. Suess Literacy Night. There will be variety of activities that evening.

Watch for more info to come!  
Hope to see everyone there on March 3<sup>rd</sup>!

## MUSIC NOTES

Mark your calendar: 1<sup>st</sup> grade will present their music program, "It's A Hit", on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the MHS Auditorium. More info to come closer to time.

Mrs. Box  
Music Teacher

## LOST AND FOUND

Attention Parents!! Our lost and found bin is very full of everything from lunch boxes to hats, gloves, hoodies & heavy winter coats!! If your child is missing something, please stop in and check the lost & found bin.

# Home & School CONNECTION<sup>®</sup>

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## SHORT NOTES

### Measure up

Who can make the longest “inchworm”? Your child will practice measuring with this game. Take turns rolling a die. Using a ruler, measure a “worm” out of clay to match the number rolled (roll a 2, make a worm 2 inches long). Add to the worm on every turn. The player with the longest worm after five rolls wins.

### Make time for family meals

Research shows that family meals can improve your youngster’s well-being and help him do better in school. Look over your schedules each Sunday to find times when everyone can eat together. If one parent is working late on Wednesday and can’t make dinner, for instance, plan to meet for a nice breakfast instead.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Asthma is a leading cause of school absences. If your child has asthma (or another chronic medical condition), talk to her doctor and the school nurse about ways to ensure good attendance—and good health. Examples might include avoiding triggers like dust and mold and taking medication as directed.

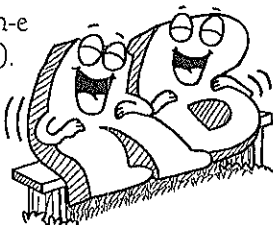
### Worth quoting

“The most wasted of all days is one without laughter.” *e. e. cummings*

## JUST FOR FUN

**Q:** How many letters are in the alphabet?

**A:** Eleven (t-h-e a-l-p-h-a-b-e-t).



## We respect each other

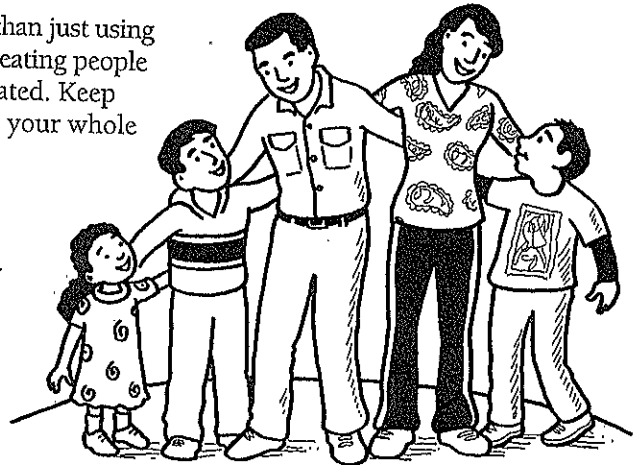
Being respectful is more than just using good manners—it means treating people the way you want to be treated. Keep these ideas in mind to help your whole family focus on respect.

### Use peaceful tones

It’s a fact that shouting often leads to more shouting. Ask your child to speak in a normal tone to show respect for the person he’s talking to—and for everyone around him. If he starts yelling, speak to him in a whisper. He’ll likely lower his voice to match your volume. Or if he shouts from another room, wait until he comes to you so he learns that you don’t respond to yelling.

### Avoid making assumptions

Your youngster can respect others’ feelings by giving them the benefit of the doubt. For example, encourage him to rephrase an accusation like “Who took my water bottle?” Instead he could ask, “Has anyone seen my water bottle?”



That’s more respectful because it won’t make anyone feel accused or defensive.

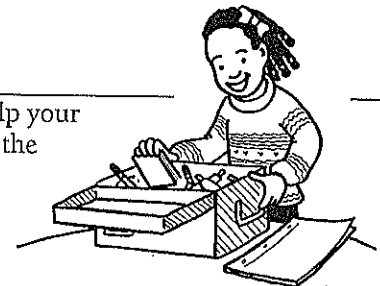
### Accept different opinions

With your child, role-play ways to respect opinions that are different from his own. He might start a sentence with “That’s one way to look at it, but I think...” or “A lot of people would agree with you. In my opinion...” If a conversation is getting heated, he could simply say, “Let’s agree to disagree and talk about something else.”♥

## My studying tool kit

Developing strong study skills now will help your youngster throughout elementary school and the rest of her school career. Suggest that she add these tools to her studying tool kit.

- **Color:** Let your child use highlighters to color-code her notes for easy reference. Perhaps she’ll highlight dates in yellow, people’s names in pink, and vocabulary terms in blue.
- **Recordings:** Encourage your youngster to record herself asking questions about the material. She can hit “play” to hear the questions and “pause” to give each answer.
- **Sticky notes:** Your child could write a one-sentence summary of each textbook section on a sticky note, then use the notes to bookmark the section.♥



# Helping Children Learn®

Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School



February 2020

Byesville Elementary  
Gail Thomas, Principal

## Build time into your child's day for listening and polite speaking

Listening is a key part of classroom learning. To learn by listening, your child will need not only to pay attention and think, but also to wait to speak until it's his turn.

When you encourage and model respectful listening and talking skills at home, your child is more likely to use them effectively in school. Practice during:

- **Family meals.** Chatting at the table is an ideal way for your preschooler to strengthen conversation skills. Have family members take turns telling something about their day. Make a rule that when someone is talking, others don't speak.
- **Read aloud time.** Reading aloud with your child develops his ability to learn by listening. Ask questions about the book. "Can you tell me which part of the story you liked best?" "Does this story remind you of any other stories we've read?"
- **Playtime.** Games such as Simon Says have been around forever because they are fun and they teach young children to listen carefully. So do songs with actions, such as Hokey Pokey. You can also replace the words to your family's favorite songs with the syllable "la" and have everyone take turns guessing what the song is. Even when your child knows the answer, he will have to wait until it is his turn to guess.



## Make attendance a priority

Even in preschool, attendance makes a difference. Missing just two days a month can have a negative effect on a child's reading and math skills, and kindergarten readiness.

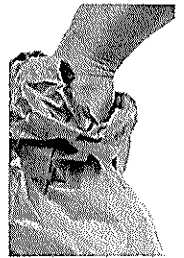
Commit to getting your child to school on time every day. Ask about his learning and how you can help. The better prepared you are, the better prepared he'll be.

Source: "Early and Often: Showing up in Preschool Matters 2.0," Attendance Works, [niswc.com/priority](http://niswc.com/priority).

## Investigate the five senses

Help your child understand what her senses can help her do. Together, experiment with:

1. **Sight:** Have your child look at several items on a tray, then cover her eyes. Take one item away. When she opens her eyes, can she say what's missing?
2. **Touch:** Place small items in a paper bag. Have her reach in and guess what an item is by feeling it.
3. **Smell:** Lead your child around the house with her eyes closed. What smells can she name?
4. **Hearing:** Go outside after dark. Can she name the sources of the sounds she hears?
5. **Taste:** Pour some salt and sugar in piles on a plate. They look the same. They feel the same. Do they taste the same?



## Get crafty with homemade valentines

Making valentines together is a great way to show your love for your child—and help her develop school skills and kindness toward others.

Consider making and giving:

- **Handprint cards.** Draw some large hearts on paper and help your child cut them out. Pour some nontoxic paint into a shallow dish, then let her dip her palm into it and press it on each heart. Add a message such as "Love goes heart in hand." Show your child how to sign her name.
  - **Cookie hearts.** Have your child help with measuring, rolling and cutting out the cookies with a plastic heart-shaped cutter. After baking, decorate them together any way you wish.
  - **Pipe cleaner valentines.** Show your preschooler how to thread beads on a pipe cleaner. Shape it into a heart and help her twist the ends tightly together.
- Help your child deliver her valentines and experience the pleasure of spreading love and kindness.

## Children thrive on routines

Routines provide structure and help kids feel secure. And studies show that following routines for bedtime, meals, reading and playtime also supports young children's school readiness. Routines don't need to be complex. Simple, regular patterns and rituals are all it takes.



Source: L.K. Ferretti and K.L. Bub, "Family Routines and School Readiness During the Transition to Kindergarten," *Early Education and Development*, Taylor & Francis.

# FEBRUARY | 2020

## Rolling Hills K8 Breakfast Menu

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

3	Cocoa Cherry Bar Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	4	Cinnamon Texas Toast Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	5	Pop Tart Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	6	Breakfast Pizza Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	7	Yogurt w/ Cinnamon Graham Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk
10	Super Donut Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	11	Warm Pancake Wrap Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	12	Cereal Bars Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	13	Funnel Cake Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	14	Cinnamon Pretzel Stick Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk
17	Closed President's Day	18	Pop Tarts Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	19	Banana Bread Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	20	Breakfast Pizza Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	21	Warm Confetti Pancakes Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk
24	Chocolate Or Blueberry Muffins Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	25	Cinnabun Crunch Cereal Pouch Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	26	Warm Pancake Wrap Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	27	Mini Cinnamon Rolls Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk	28	Warm Waffles Choice Of Fruit Orange Juice Milk

### Breakfast News

*Breakfast is FREE*

*For all Prek-8*

*students!*

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*We offer a variety of*

*Wholesome Grains*

*Fresh Fruit*

*100% Fruit Juice*

*And a choice of milk*

*every morning!*

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*Pick at least 3 items*

*for a complete breakfast*

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*Many items are*

*Grab & Go.*

*Stop in and grab a quick*

*breakfast at school each*

*morning!*

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