



## WINTERTIME NEWS

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### Responsible Thinking Process

Starting January 3<sup>rd</sup>, students were reminded to be especially mindful of their behavior. If a student receives **4 or more** RTCs (for any reason), he/she will not be allowed to attend the end of year class trip. This count lasts until the end of the school year. Any referrals resulting in suspension would also eliminate the student's ability to attend their trip. If a student pays for his or her trip and has to cancel, a refund of the ticket (not transportation) will be returned. *Wouldn't it be great if all students took advantage of this opportunity and attended their trip?*

### ERMS Students Learn About Internet Safety

Representatives from the Michigan Attorney General's office visited ERMS on January 10 to present the Michigan Cyber Safety Initiative. The presentation focuses on internet safety, particularly in the areas of Online Social Networking and Cyber Bullying. Our intent is to keep our students safe from internet predators, and help them be aware of how to handle inappropriate online postings. Following the presentation, students were given an Online Safety Contract to take home and review with parents. Those students who were unable to attend will be able to view a videotaped version of the presentation in class in the coming days. Our wish is to make every student at ERMS Cyber Safe! To view the presentation the link for the internet is:

<http://www.mhsaa.tv/eatonrapids/events/28020>.

The following link: [www.michigan.gov/csi](http://www.michigan.gov/csi) is a web site for parents to view tutorials on how to check a child's online history, set privacy settings for Facebook and Myspace, and other tutorial videos to keep kids safe. They can also find all the resource information we have access to on that site.

### ★ Star Reports:

Congratulations to the following students for receiving Student Appreciation Reports from their teachers and other staff members: Amira Andraous, Marissa Cole, Cheyanne Davis, Hunter Frederickson, Trevor Good, Dillon Irvin, Drew Shafer, Chris LeTarte, Holden Miller, Shelby Perry, JD Robinson and Brittany Smith



### *Calendar*

January 25	2:45 Intersections 4:30 Girls Basketball – Holt 7 <sup>th</sup> home, 8 <sup>th</sup> away 7:00 Board Meeting @ MS Library
January 30	4:30 Girls Basketball – Charlotte 7 <sup>th</sup> away, 8 <sup>th</sup> home
January 31	4:30 Girls Basketball – Jackson Cath. 7 <sup>th</sup> away, 8 <sup>th</sup> home
February 1	2:45 Intersections
February 6	4:30 Girls Basketball – Okemos 7 <sup>th</sup> away, 8 <sup>th</sup> home
February 7	6:30 PTO meeting 2:45 – 3:40 Intersections
February 8	Count Day 4:30 Girls Basketball – Jackson Parkside 7 <sup>th</sup> home, 8 <sup>th</sup> away 7:00 Board Meeting @ MS Library
<b>February 13 - 17</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Week</b>
February 20	No School
February 22	4:30 Girls Basketball – Mason 7 <sup>th</sup> away, 8 <sup>th</sup> home 2:45 Intersections 7:00 Board Meeting @ MS Library
February 24	4:30 Wrestling – Home
February 29	ACT-Explore 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> grades

### Lost But Not Found

We have many items on the lost and found table. Lunch boxes, bathing suites, sweatshirts, jackets want to return to their owners! Please take a moment to look on the table outside of room 113.

### News Flash - Flash Drive

ERMS has flash drives for sale. 2 GB \$8.00 and 4 GB 10.00 with ERMS logo on them!  
We only have a few 2 GB left.



### 7th Grade Camp – Feb 13- 17, 2012

Final preparation is in effect for Camp. A big thank you goes to Judy Sharpe who does a remarkable job organizing this outdoor educational experience for students. The opportunity to participate is a life long experience for your child. Final payment is due by **January 24<sup>th</sup>**. Each student has been given a packing list to let them know what items they should bring to camp. Extra copies are in the office. If you have any questions please call or email Judy Sharpe at [jsharpe@erpsk12.org](mailto:jsharpe@erpsk12.org), Jeanne Vogelheim at [jvogelheim@erpsk12.org](mailto:jvogelheim@erpsk12.org) or 663-8151. **Students not attending camp are expected to be in school as usual.** These students will have classes that are designed to provide remediation or extensions to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum.

### ATHLETICS

#### **Girls Basketball**

Date	Opponent	7th	8th	Time
25-Jan	Holt	HOME	Away	4:30
30-Jan	Charlotte	Away	HOME	4:30
31-Jan	Jackson Catholic	Away	HOME	4:30
6-Feb	Okemos	Away	HOME	4:30
8-Feb	Jackson Parkside	HOME	Away	4:30
22-Feb	Mason	Away	HOME	4:30

#### **Wrestling**

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
9-Feb	Ionia & Portland	Ionia	4:30
16-Feb	Lakewood & Haslett	ERMS	4:30
23-Feb	Okemos & Fowlerville	Okemos	4:30
25-Feb	Jr. JAWS	Jackson Parkside	9:00
1-Mar	Grand Ledge & Portland	Grand Ledge	4:30
8-Mar	Lakewood & Williamston	ERMS	4:30
15-Mar	DeWitt & Perry	DeWitt	4:30
24-Mar	MMMSL tournament	ERHS	9:00

#### Track

Get ready for Track by getting your physicals in early! Track sign ups will be the end of March. Physical forms are in the office.

**YOU MAY NOT TRY OUT WITH OUT A PHYSICAL.**



### Gifted and Talented Notes

Eligible students who are interested in taking the Explore, SAT, or ACT through the NUMATS program are reminded of the upcoming test dates: Explore-January 21 and February 18 SAT-January 28 : ACT- February 11  
Be sure that you have confirmed receipt of your test center admission tickets and completed the Student Identification Form. Test prep. Materials are available online in your NUMATS Toolbox account. Registration Deadlines for spring testing are upcoming. Please visit the website at: [www.ctd.northwesterncedu/numats](http://www.ctd.northwesterncedu/numats) for information on these dates. (or call them at 847-491-3782 Ex. 3.) The GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) School at LCC is also accepting applications for their upcoming spring 2012 program. They offer some wonderful opportunities for students who qualify. We have a VERY limited number of booklets in the guidance office, or you may find more information on the website at: [lcc.edu/ece](http://lcc.edu/ece) You may also reach them by phone at (517) 483-1860. Classes begin March 3. Attending students will need to submit the application, and have a supporting letter from a teacher.

### PTO News

Flowers, Flowers and more Flowers will be the next fundraising opportunity. The first flower sale will begin during all lunches the week of Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> for Valentines Day. We will be selling Carnations to the students for \$1.00 each and by PRE-ORDER only. Students can pay for their carnations and fill out their cards on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> during lunch. All orders will be delivered to the recipients on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at the end of the day during TAG.

The second PTO Fundraiser will be happening during the middle school performance of Annie. We will be selling small flower bouquets during the evening performances of Annie on Friday February 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>. Pre-order slips will be going home by February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Arrangements will be provided by Hastay's Greenhouse and all proceeds will benefit the Middle School PTO. Due to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp, our February meeting has been moved to Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Everyone is welcome to attend!

### Kleenex

During this "cold" time of the year ERMS would greatly appreciate donations of Kleenex! Please have your child give them to their TAG teacher.

### Box Tops for Education

Please continue collecting box tops for education as we are planning "TAG Spring Competition" soon! Box tops are a great way to help fund many student programs. Students may start bringing them in to their TAG teachers. Thank you for supporting your school



### Pool Information

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> are no school daze!!! Come to Open Swim from 1:00-3:00 pm Questions? Please contact Lori Chapman in the Aquatics Office at 663-3484 or check for the most current information on our website [www.erpsk12.org/communityeducation/aquaticsprograms](http://www.erpsk12.org/communityeducation/aquaticsprograms)