Emmons Lake Elementary School

Educational Excellence…Every Child…Everyday!

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www.calschools.org

May 23, 2018

An Eagle's eye view from the principal . . .

Best wishes to OM Team Kersey as they head to Ames, Iowa this week to compete in the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals! As the school year draws to a close our students are able to participate in some great activities. On Monday students went to the 'Dome Theater' set up in the gym. K-1 students enjoyed a 'Magical Cardboard Rocket Ride' through space as they explored the Solar System. Grades 2-4 explored 'Habitat Earth' and the fifth grade explored 'Microcosm' an adventure inside the human body. Thank you to our Emmons Lake PTO for providing this fun activity for our students!

The 4th and 5th grade students have been busy reading and will compete in the annual 'Book Bowl' on Wednesday afternoon. Each grade level was split into teams of 6-10 students. The winning team from each grade level will attempt to answer questions from the 12 books on the reading list in a 'game show' style tournament. It promises to be a fun time!

Fourth grade students will head to Lansing on Thursday to the 'Impression 5 Museum' and kindergarten will enjoy a field trip to Meijer Gardens. In the coming weeks the third grade students travel south to Greenfield Village, Field Day is Thursday, June 7 and first grade will go to Binder Park Zoo! Once again, thank you to our PTO for paying the transportation costs for our students to enjoy these learning activities outside the classroom.

Enjoy the long weekend as we take time out of our busy schedules to remember those who have fought for our freedoms. Happy Memorial Day!

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 25	No School
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday – No School
May 29	All School T-Shirt Day
June 7	Field Day @ Emmons Lake
June 8	No School – Emmons only (District Last Day)
June 13	Last Day of School - Celebration of Learning

STUDENT LUNCH ACCOUNTS

There are only a couple of weeks left to check your student's lunch account and make sure it is current; you can make a deposit online at www.sendmoneytoschool.com or by sending money with your student to school. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

BUSING CHANGES COMING FOR JUNE 11, 12 AND 13

Our last week of school the bus routes will change when Emmons Lake is the only school in session. Please watch for future emails advising you of busing information for the last week of school.

NO NUMBER LINE PICK-UP ON LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

On the last day of school, the staff will all be at the back of the school to send off the students for the summer. If you choose to pick up your children on Wednesday, please come into the building to sign them out. If you use the number line system, please keep your number for next year. We will be using the same numbers again in the fall. Thanks!

CEF GIVE THANKS FOR GREAT TEACHERS!

Do you want to show appreciation for your child's teacher AND give back to our schools? Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the **Caledonia Education Foundation** in a teacher's name on behalf of your child! Information on how this works is available on the flyer attached to this newsletter.

LOST AND FOUND

We have accumulated many 'Lost and Found' items. If you are missing anything, please check out the collection of misplaced items in the cafeteria. All items left at the end of the year will be donated to a local charity.

EMMONS LAKE 'GREEN SCHOOL' CERTIFICATION

Twenty-eight schools across Kent County have been awarded with 'Michigan Green School' certification in conjunction with Earth Day, celebrated April 22nd each year. The schools participated in activities to learn about environmental topics, act on what they learned by doing service projects and share what they learned through outreach to their community and peers. Great job Emmons Lake! http://www.reimaginetrash.org/kent-county-schools-go-green-for-earth-day/

EMMONS LAKE FIELD DAY

The 19th annual Emmons Lake Field Day will be held the morning of Thursday, June 7. This year's Field Day will be a morning filled with various relay races. Parents are welcome to join us!

YOUNG 5/KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Caledonia Community School district is accepting enrollment for **in-district** families for the fall 2018 Young 5 and Kindergarten classes. Children who will be five years old on or before **September 1, 2018** are age eligible for enrollment. If you currently have elementary children in the district, please contact the elementary building secretary where your older child(ren) attend for a registration packet. If your family is new to the district, please contact Cheryl at Duncan Lake Early Childhood Center 616-891-6220 for a registration packet, or email: pintoc@calschools.org or kdgenroll@calschools.org.

HELP WANTED! – CALEDONIA FOOD SERVICE

Do you want to enjoy the summer break but need a job in the fall? Caledonia Food Service is looking for help! Many job opportunities will be available starting during the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. Qualifications are as follows: experience in food and customer service, ability to work in a fast pace environment, able to lift up to 35lbs, positive attitude, good time management, and a team player. If you are interested in joining our team, please apply in person at our Food Service District Office located at Duncan Lake Middle School. The summer hours are 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Questions, please call 616-891-0227.

PAPERGATOR RECYCLING REMINDER

Just a reminder that our PaperGator is located in the back parking lot. We use it to recycle our school paper and we would love to recycle your paper too! Items to recycle: newsprint, catalogs/magazines, junk mail, phone books, office/school paper and hard or soft cover books.

FROM YOUR P.T.O.

SCRIP

The Scrip program provides a great way to earn extra cash for our school, AND extra cash for your family! You simply purchase the Scrip gift cards at face value and use them toward purchases at stores

where you normally shop. The retailers donate a portion of that money back to our school. 50% of the profit goes to the PTO, and 50% gets sent back to you in a check every month.

There are several ways to purchase. The most convenient way is to purchase thru the website. You can create an account at shopwithscrip.com The Emmons Lake enrollment code is **FF864CE71895**. After you have created an account, you can purchase gift cards and print them from your home computer, or reload existing cards. If you prefer a physical card, you can also place orders online by Monday at 3:00 p.m. for delivery Thursday afternoon (they will be sent home in your child's backpack).

Selected gift cards are now available for purchase in the school office. They are available on a first come, first served basis. The following cards are available for pickup in the office:

Retailer	Rebate	Amount
Amazon	2%	$25
Barnes and Noble	8%	$10
Celebration/Loeks Cinema	4%	$10
Olive Garden/Longhorn Steakhouse	8%	$25
Dick's Sporting Goods/Field & Stream/ Golf Galaxy	8%	$25
Domino's Pizza	8%	$10
Family Fare/D & W	2%	$100
iTunes	5%	$15
Lowe's	4%	$25
Meijer	3% (5% on reload)	$100
Menard's	3%	$25
Outback/Carrabba's/Bonefish Grill	8%	$25
Panera Bread	8%	$10
Pizza Hut	8%	$10
Speedway	4% (5% on reload)	$25
Starbucks	7%	$10
Subway	6%	$10
Tanger Outlets	8%	$25
Target	2.50%	$25
Home Depot	4%	$25
Wendy's	4%	$10

We will also be offering "Scrip to Go" during afternoon pick up on the following Fridays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. - May 4, May 18 and June 1. Please see the Great Lake Scrip Facebook page for more info. If you have any questions, or have suggestions for gift cards you'd like to see in our inventory for pick up, please email Anne Calhoun at emmonslakeeagles@gmail.com, or call/text 616.633.4670.

DIRECT YOUR DOLLARS

Save your D&W, Family Fare or any Spartan Nash store receipts! We're raising money for Emmons Lake through Direct Your Dollars

Direct Your Dollars is a receipt-based program, meaning that we can raise money simply by doing something we all do each week – going to the grocery store.

Every time you shop at your local **D&W, Family Fare or any Spartan Nash** store, save your receipts – and encourage your friends and family to do the same. Once we've collected $150,000 in receipts from these stores, we can turn those slips of paper into a $1,000 check for Emmons Lake!

To reach our goal of $150,000 in receipts, we'll be collecting eligible receipts in our Direct Your Dollars box. The box has the DYD logo on it, and it's located at the entrance to our building. Please make sure you drop off the original receipt – that's how we earn our $1,000 check.

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AUNT MILLIE'S BAKERIES, BOXTOPS, SPARTAN UPCs & TYSON

Please continue to cut out and save the proof-of-purchase symbols (UPC's) for Aunt Millie's bakery, Boxtops for Education and Tyson products to help our school earn money. You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products you know and love. Box Tops are each worth 10 cents, Aunt Millie's are worth a nickel each and Tyson 24 cents each - they can add up fast! We appreciate your help saving these UPCs to help our school earn free merchandise and money. Thank you for your support and clipping!

FROM YOUR COMMUNITY

SUMMER CAMPS

The Caledonia Resource Center is offering a wide variety of summer camps. It's easy to sign up online at www.inspiremenow.org .

AYSO UNITED WEST MICHIGAN TRYOUTS

Please see the attached flyer for information about this competitive soccer travel club.

FOOTBALL REGISTRATION GRADES 2-7 FLAG AND TACKLE

Registration for youth football will begin soon. For complete details on the programs being offered, please see the flyer attached to this newsletter.

CALEDONIA KILT KLASSIC 5K

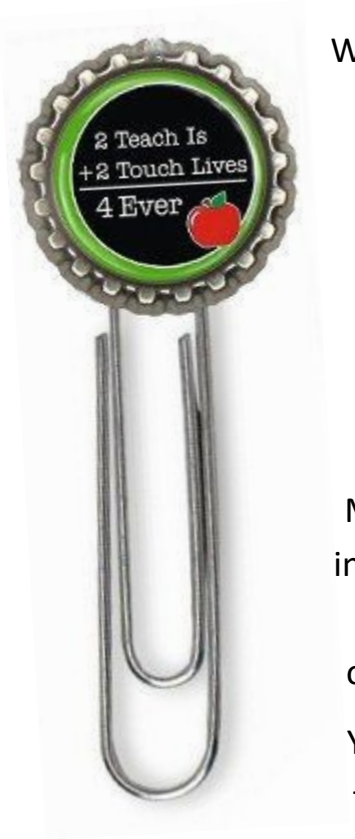
The Caledonia Kilt Klassic 5k returns!! Join us June 30th 2018 at 8 a.m. for the 12thannual 5k Run/Walk and 9:15 a.m. for the kid's fun run around the track! This community race benefits our High School Men's and Women's Track & Field and Cross Country programs. Visit www.kiltklassic.com for more info.

2018 YOUTH CHEER CAMP

Cal Cheer Youth Cheer Camp is lots of fun! Learn tumbling, jumps, chants and more! Cheer Camp is coached by our very own Varsity Cheerleaders. This is a great experience for both the youth cheer athlete as well as the high school Varsity Cheer athlete. For more information, please see the flyer attached to this newsletter.

KIDS LIFE BIBLE CLUB

Kids Life Bible Club is done for the 2017-18 school year but we look forward to seeing you next school year!



Stuck on what gift to buy your child's teacher?

We have a gift that will show appreciation to your teacher, give back to the Caledonia Schools, and it's tax-deductible!

A CEF Teacher Gift!

Here's how it works:

Make a donation to the Caledonia Education Foundation in honor of a teacher. CEF will use 50% of the donation to fund projects in the district like classroom grants. The other 50% will be given to the teacher's classroom fund.

You will receive a gift card for your student to present to the teacher to notify him or her of the gift. The gift will also be noted in our Carillon newsletter and on our website.

To make a donation, visit:

Caledoniacef.org/teachergifts

You can donate online, or print a form and mail it to:

P.O. Box 353, Caledonia, MI 49316.

Questions? Call us #616-891-0732

Email: info@caledoniacef.org

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JOIN US JUNE 19-22 FOR AYSO UNITED SOCCER TRYOUTS

AYSO United West Michigan

AYSO United West Michigan Tryouts for Boys/Girls Ages 9-18

AYSO United is AYSO's new competitive travel club formed here in West Michigan for all players seeking a unique club soccer experience focused on player development. Tryouts will be held in Caledonia, Cedar Springs and Georgetown (including their surrounding areas). Please visit our website to get all the latest information (including times) you will need to pre-register and come join us!

Georgetown: Port Sheldon Sports Complex
Monday, June 19th: Boys Select Birth Years 2008-2003
Tuesday, June 20th: Girls Select Birth Years 2008-1999

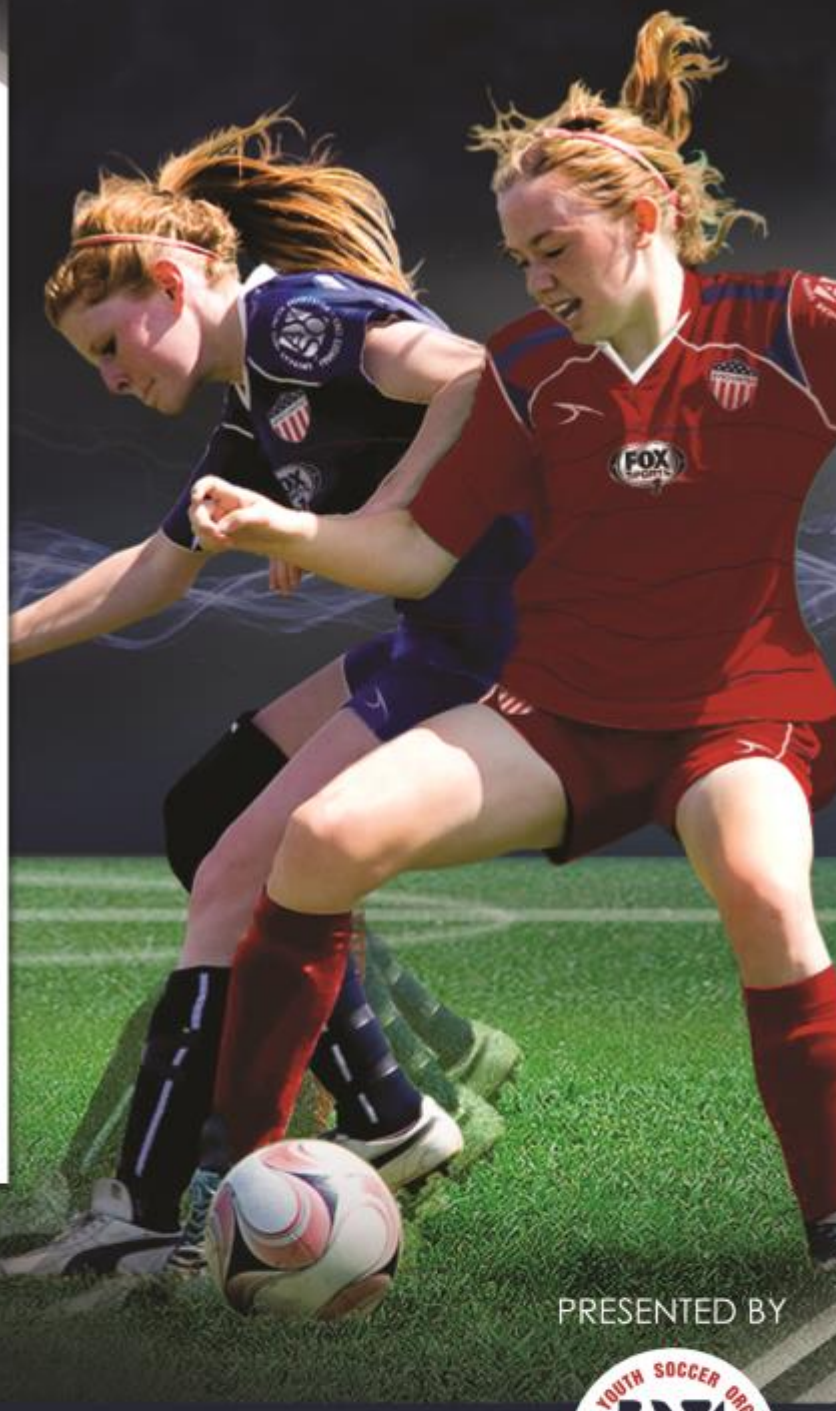
Cedar Springs: Boomer Park
Monday, June 19th: Boys Select Birth Years 2008-2003
Tuesday, June 20th: Girls Select Birth Years 2008-1999

Caledonia: Caledonia High School
Wednesday, June 21st: Boys Select Birth Years 2008-2003
Thursday, June 22nd: Girls Select Birth Years 2008-1999

All AYSO United players, will play at least half of every game, have certified coaches that follow AYSO's coaching philosophies, will practice exemplary good sportsmanship and will have advanced player development opportunities to grow in a challenging environment.

REGISTER NOW! at www.aysounitedmi.org

Contact us at westmichigan@aysounited.org



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Positive Coaching | Good Sportsmanship | Player Development

Fall 2018 2nd - 7th Grade Cal Football Registration* Flag & Tackle

*Starting this year, all flag and tackle football registrations will be processed on-line. However, you will still have the opportunity to try on jerseys and talk with board members and coaches about our youth football programs.

Online Registration (May 1 – June 10):

- Go to: calyouthfootball.com
- Click on "Online Registration" and follow the prompts
- A $30 late fee is added after June 10 for rocket football

In-Person Q&A Event:

- Saturday, May 19 (9-11 am) at the Cal-Plex Pavilion,
- Board members and coaches will be present to answer questions
- Jerseys and pads available for sizing
- Collecting birth certificate copies & player fees via cash or check

Flag Football – Grades 2-5 (2018-2019 school year)

Teams will compete with and against other CYFA teams and players. Do not delay. The number of Flag football registrations will be capped and registration closed when we reach those limits.

What you will need to register:

- Health insurance information
- Emergency contact information
- Player shirt size
- Payment in the amount listed below (credit card registration includes a $4 surcharge):

1 Player Family: $60	2 Players Family: $100	3+ Player Family: $140

**please email calyouthfootball@yahoo.com to make alternate registration or payment arrangements*

Rocket Tackle Football - Grades 3-7 (2018-2019 school year)

Once again, Caledonia Youth Football Association (CYFA) players will compete in the West Michigan Youth Football League (WMYFL). Teams will be broken up by school grades (3rd/4th Grade Division; 5th/6th Grade Division; & 7th Grade Division). The first day of practice for 7th grade will be August 13th. For 3rd through 6th grade, the first day will be August 20th. All players must be at least 8 years old by September 1st to participate in tackle football.

What you will need to register:

- Health insurance information
- Emergency contact information
- Player jersey size
- Photocopy of player(s) birth certificate (new players only)
- Payment in the amount listed below (credit card registration includes a $4 surcharge):

1 Player Family: $100	2 Players Family: $165	3+ Player Family: $230

**please email calyouthfootball@yahoo.com to make alternate registration or payment arrangements*

Caledonia Youth Cheer Camp

July 31st, August 1st and 2nd
Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
4-6 pm

Caledonia High School Mat Room

$60 T-shirt included!

Grades (entering) 1st-6th

Tumbling, Jumps, Chant, Dance and Stunt
Plus - Make & Take, Themed Days!

DAY ONE
Please wear your favorite Caledonia apparel
Purple, Gold, Scots
t-shirts, head bands, hats, socks, bows, etc

The instructors will be your very own
Caledonia Varsity Cheer Team!

Register at the Caledonia Resource Center
or
caledoniaresourcecenter.org

Questions?
Please email
caledoniacheer@gmail.com