



February Tyler Times



2022

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Happy February! We have flown through January with what seemed like a blink of an eye! Great job to our 2nd and 3rd graders from finishing up their Terra Nova last week. We are so proud of all of you!

*We LOVE Valentines Day and will celebrate on Monday, February 14th! Classes will not have a party but will set aside time to hand out Valentine's to their classmates. We do ask that one is sent for all classmates! The teachers will provide names if you would like to personalize them to practice writing skills. Students **MAY NOT** include anything edible in any of their Valentines. If your child comes to school with something like that to hand out we will send it back home. We cannot make any exceptions to this rule due to allergies and general safety concerns. Thank you for helping us celebrate such a lovely day in a friendly and safe manner!*

Parents please continue to support your children by reading nightly, practicing vocabulary and sight words, and encouraging your child to do skill work on Reflex. Please continue to read your classroom newsletters as well as office notes for details on upcoming events.

Lastly, the end of our trimester is February 24th and report cards will go home on March 4th. We are looking forward to a fun month ahead!

Stay warm,

Patsy Fisher and Lindsay Johnson

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

February

- 3 New Session of Young Rembrandts
- 4 "Torch" Day for opening ceremonies (wear orange, red, yellow)
- 10 "USA" Day (wear red, white and blue)
- 10 Young Rembrandts
- 11 "SuperBowl" Day (Wear your favorite football team jersey)
- 15 "Winter Gear" Day (Wear your outdoor gear to school)
- 15 School Board Meeting
- 16 3rd Grade Virtual Musical
- 17 "Tyler" Day (wear blue and white or Tyler gear)
- 17 Music Ends
- 17 Young Rembrandts
- 17 Virtual Field Trip
- 18 NO SCHOOL - Institute Day
- 21 NO SCHOOL - President's Day
- 22 "2's Day" (Wear ties, tutus, dress like a twin or wear two of anything)
- 22 Art Begins
- 24 Young Rembrandts



**PLEASE CHECK OUR VIRTUAL
BACKPACK FOR UPCOMING
PROGRAMS AND events!**



Memory Book

- * Cost is \$8.00
- * Cash or check payable to Tyler School
- * Last day to turn in money is February 18th
- * Books will be handed out in late May

Book-It!

From October 1st-March 31st, our students will be participating in the Book-It! National Reading Incentive Program sponsored by Pizza Hut. This program is an excellent program intended to motivate children to do more leisure reading in order to improve their reading skills and interest in books!



**Ronald McDonald
House Charities***
Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana

Pop Tops

Pop tops are still being collected to support the Ronald McDonald House. NO need to count or label them Just send them in for your child to deposit in the large collection canister provided.

FROSTY FIVE

We go outside unless it is raining or the wind chill is 15 degrees or below.

In order to play in the snow, the children need to have the the following:

FROSTY FIVE:

**HAT, COAT, GLOVES,
SNOWPANTS AND BOOTS**



Gifted And Talented Education (GATE)

New Lenox School District 122 believes that each child is unique and has special talents. Teachers provide experiences in an atmosphere in which these talents will be nurtured and new talents will be acquired and encouraged. Teachers will provide options in classroom assignments and learning experiences that will encompass a variety of intelligences, modalities, or learning styles.

Beginning in fourth grade, New Lenox School District 122 has a Gifted and Academically Talented Education program known as GATE. A set criteria is used to determine eligibility into the program. A matrix measures multiple components including student's class performance, cognitive ability, achievement and aptitude.

We recognize many students have remarkable grades (Secure/A's) on their report cards. These scores are part of identifying students for our GATE program. We acknowledge student's academic ability and class performance by factoring GPA/Secures into the eligibility criteria. In addition to grades, achievement scores from the TerraNova, cognitive scores (CSI) from the InView test, and diagnostic scores in grades 6 & 7 are taken into consideration to provide a complete profile of the student. High achieving students who do not qualify for GATE, will be challenged in the general education setting through differentiation strategies implemented by the classroom teachers. For more information about the Comprehensive Plan for Gifted and Academically Talented Education in New Lenox School District 122, visit <https://www.nlsd122.org/c/>.

**Kindergarten Information Night for the 2022/2023
school year will be
posted on the district website soon.**

Be on the lookout for a virtual video and registration.



Preschool Screening

Cherry Hill Early Childhood Education Center will once again be conducting preschool screenings beginning in September. The screenings will be held at Cherry Hill School, 205 Kingston Drive. The dates are as follows:

An appointment is required to have a child screened. Please call Cherry Hill School to schedule an appointment at 815-462-7831. Please note that a parent or guardian must accompany each child that is screened. Screenings will not be held during the summer months.



Regular School Board Meetings

February 15, 2022
March 15, 2022
April 19, 2022
May 17, 2022
June 14, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Education are held at the Haven Administrative Center, 102 South Cedar Road, New Lenox, IL 60451 on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

A regularly scheduled meeting will not be held during the month of July 2021.

*The April meeting is scheduled on the 4th Wednesday of the month in order to combine the April meeting and the Reorganization meeting with the newly elected Board Members.



Keeping Fit in P.E. with Mr. B.

This past month we had a snowball fight where we built snow forts and knocked down the other team's snowmen, finished up our hockey unit with fun games like hockey frenzy and hockey fitness tag, and started our jump rope unit. In February we will continue our jump rope unit where students will learn jumping and rhythm basics, as well as learn a variety of jump rope tricks. We will also celebrate the Olympics this February and do some ice skating, skiing, and bobsledding!

Our 3rd Graders have started their Kids Heart Challenge Event! So far over 70 kids have signed up to take the challenge and have chosen to "Be Active" or to "Be Kind". Participation in the event is free, but many families have chosen to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Thank You! Currently (as of 1/27), Ms. Dahl's class has raised the most with money \$1,488 and Ms. Swiderek's class has 17 kids taking the challenge. Ms. Mattson's class was the "First to 15" (15 kids registered) and received an extra 20 minutes of PE time with Mr. B. Look for more challenges to come in the next couple of weeks. The event will take place during their PE class on Feb. 9th or 10th, and all fundraising ends February 11th. If you have any questions about KHC, you can email Mr. B at: jboersma@nlsd122.org



Library News

By Ms. Vanderwall

While I am still taking a break from the Library to teach 4th grade at Spencer Crossing, I have not forgotten about my friends at Tyler. In the last month I have processed over 200 new books for the Library. Thanks to our annual budget and a grant I was able to order new football and baseball books. Our books were a little (okay a lot) outdated!! I have also added new dinosaur books that are at a 2nd grade reading level. There were many new picture books and graphic novels that came out in the last two years that needed to be available in the Library. I was especially excited to add several new chapter books that are at a high 1st and low 2nd grade level and some even offer diverse characters. This is very hard to find!! I hope the children will enjoy all of the new books!!!



Musical Notes

By Mrs. Sowell

February is an exciting month for music at Tyler!

At long last 3rd graders will be presenting their music show (virtually). On February 16 a program will be sent home to 3rd grade families. Inside the program will be a QR code to link you to the video of this production. There will also be a link added to the Tyler School website.

2nd graders have just begun working on their music show, and we will finish it up in the spring.

1st graders have been playing classroom instruments and reading rhythm. Everyone has enjoyed singing a song for 100s day, Groundhog's Day songs, and Valentine's Day songs.



Notes From Our Nurse

By: Mrs. Wrena

Attention: 2nd Grade Parents

As per the State of Illinois, all 2nd Grade students need a current dental exam on file. If you have not turned one in yet, please get your child to the dentist for a checkup and turn the sheet in to me.

Please be sure to wash your child's mask regularly, they can get really gross really fast. Please include a second mask in their backpack in case the first one gets dirty or wet.

If your child/children are exhibiting any of the following signs or symptoms (especially the highlighted ones):

- Fever (100.4 or higher)
- New onset of severe headache
- New cough (no matter how little)
- Sore throat/Scratchy Throat
- Runny/Stuffy Nose
- Vomiting/Diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell
- Fatigue from unknown cause
- Muscle or body aches from an unknown cause

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME

Please report any positive covid results or any exposures to me ASAP. **If any member of your family (within your household) is testing for covid or you suspect one of them has been exposed or is just feeling sick, please keep all of your children in the district home until you receive the results.**

So far, all of our children that have tested positive have not had a fever and parents thought it was a cold or just allergy symptoms.

There is testing at Martino Junior High on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays each week from 9am-12pm. You do not need an appointment, just pull around to the back of the school and enter by the "Testing" sign.

If your children are getting the Pfizer Covid Vaccine, please give me a copy after the series is done. It will be added into PowerSchool.



HELP @ HOME

TYLER SCHOOL

HELLO TYLER FAMILIES!

MY NAME IS KATIE SMIGIELSKI, AND I AM THE SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST INTERN THIS YEAR WORKING ALONGSIDE THE SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST, SHANNON MCNULTY. AS WE ALL KNOW THE PAST FEW YEARS HAVE BEEN A BIT OUT OF THE ORDINARY AND HAVE CREATED EDUCATIONAL CHALLENGES FOR OUR STUDENTS NEVER BEFORE EXPERIENCED. AS A PART OF MY FINAL PROJECT IN GRAD SCHOOL, I AM CREATING THIS FLYER IN HOPES TO ENHANCE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE HOME AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTS.

THIS YEAR, WE HAVE NOTICED PARTICULAR CHALLENGES IN OUR YOUNGER STUDENTS AS THEY SOLIDIFY THEIR BASIC SKILLS IN READING AND MATH. MY HOPE IS THAT THIS HANDOUT PROVIDES ENCOURAGEMENT, AS WELL AS IDEAS OF ACTIVITIES TO WORK ON WITH YOUR STUDENTS TO HELP THEM STAY ENGAGED AND LEARNING AT HOME!.



TIPS AND TRICKS

FROM TEACHERS TO
YOU!

A small blue chalkboard with a white border, showing the equation $2+2=4$ in white chalk. It is mounted on a wooden easel.

A NOTE FROM MS. ARIZZI:

TYLER SCHOOL READING SPECIALIST

HERE ARE SOME TIPS ON HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD GROW TO LOVE READING! READ BOOKS TOGETHER AND ASK EACH OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE READING. TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN THE STORY. ASK ABOUT THE CHARACTERS, PLACES, AND EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE. LISTEN TO YOUR CHILD READ BOOKS FROM SCHOOL. LET THEM KNOW YOU ARE PROUD OF THEIR READING. REREADING FAMILIAR BOOKS IS A GREAT WAY FOR YOUR CHILD TO PRACTICE READING COMFORTABLY AND WITH EXPRESSION. REPETITION ALSO HELPS WITH THEIR FLUENCY! READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY. SPEND TIME TALKING ABOUT STORIES, PICTURES, AND WORDS. THESE TIPS WILL HELP YOUR CHILD BECOME A LIFELONG READER!

THIS FLYER AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON NLS0122'S WEBSITE UNDER SHANNON MCNULTY'S WEBPAGE.

READING

- READING OFTEN TO AND WITH YOUR STUDENT
 - BINGO OR GO FISH WITH SIGHT WORDS
 - FLUENCY ON RAZ KIDS (IPAD APP)
 - SPELL/READ SIGHT WORDS WITH SHAVING CREAM
 - USE MAGNET LETTERS FOR SIGHT WORDS
 - FORM LETTERS/WORDS OUT OF PLAYDOUGH OR SLIME
 - FIND THE BASE WORDS/ WORDS WITHIN WORDS (BREAK INTO SYLLABLES!)
 - MATCHING PUZZLES: LETTERS TO THEIR SOUNDS
 - GET NEW BOOKS OFTEN AT THE LIBRARY TO WORK ON FLUENCY (USE RAZ KIDS LEXILE CONVERSION CHART)
- QR CODE: LIST OF AGE/LEVEL APPROPRIATE BOOKS AVAILABLE AT NL LIBRARY (WITH LOGIN) →



- QUICK FACT PRACTICE WITH FLASHCARDS
- GAMES ON EVERYDAY MATH (IPAD APP)
- TOOLKIT ON EVERYDAY MATH (IPAD APP)
- REFLEX MATH (IPAD APP)
- PRACTICE MATH FACTS/PROBLEMS WITH SHAVING CREAM
- ADDITION/SUBTRACTION ANSWER BINGO
- MAGNET MATH
- MATH WITH CHALK OUTSIDE
- ADD AND SUBTRACT WITH DICE
- 'WHACK A MOLE' SUBTRACTION
- BEACH BALL ADDITION/SUBTRACTION: ADD/SUBTRACT NUMBERS WHEREVER THUMBS LAND!
- INCORPORATE BOARD GAMES THAT INCLUDE COUNTING INTO FAMILY FUN

B	I	N	G	O
5+2	8+8	3+10	4+2	2+4
9+3	4+4	1+5	6+10	9+2
2+2	6+1	FREE	3+8	3+5
5+9	4+5	3+4	2+8	6+5
5+10	4+6	5+8	2+7	5+9



MATH



I SINCERELY HOPE YOU FOUND THIS HANDOUT HELPFUL, AND WOULD LOVE YOUR FEEDBACK! PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SHORT SURVEY. STUDENT'S WITH COMPLETED HOME SURVEYS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A RAFFLE FOR A SMALL PRIZE!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION.

<https://forms.gle/JukQMMIAwGNGpXEJ9>



Let's have fun on TUESDAY,
February 22, 2022!

Let's Celebrate 2's Day with...

TIES, **TUTUS**, **DRESS LIKE A TWIN** OR
WEAR TWO OF ANYTHING!



2-22-22

We will be learning together with fun
activities wrapped around the
number 2!

February 2021

Tyler School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 BLUE DAY	2 WHITE DAY	3 BLUE DAY	4 WHITE DAY	5
6	7 BLUE DAY	8 WHITE DAY	9 BLUE DAY	10 WHITE DAY	11 BLUE DAY	12
13	14 WHITE DAY	15 BLUE DAY	16 WHITE DAY	17 BLUE DAY	18 NO SCHOOL	19
20	21 NO SCHOOL	22 WHITE DAY	23 BLUE DAY	24 WHITE DAY	25 BLUE DAY	26
27	28 WHITE DAY					



NLSD 122 PTO FEBRUARY CORNER



*Dine and Donate Tom Kelley's, Thursday, February 3rd 4-9p.m.

*TCBY/AUNTIE ANNE'S KITS orders are due February 4th to your school. Forms went out with your kiddo.

*Bingo will take place February 12th. 2 sessions to choose from 11a.m.-1p.m. and 3-5p.m. There is signup link that was sent out to reserve tables. We are still in need of volunteers for that day. We are also in need of donations for bingo prizes and items for the basket raffle. Please reach out to nlstd122pto@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer or donate. This will be a fun event for all!

*Daddy/Daughter Dance is March 5th. Looking for volunteers to help for that day. There will be 2 sessions offered as well for this event. An Event Brite will be sent out for tickets soon. Bella Fiora has also agreed to partner with us to offer corsages for the event.

*5K walk/run for mental health and wellness-registration is \$35 for 12 and under and \$40 for 13 and up. Event is May 21st.

*Slammer's game news coming out soon.

**We are always in need of volunteers, please reach out to us via email or on social media Facebook/Instagram.



5K RUN/WALK

FOR MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

Saturday, May 21, 2022

9am | New Lenox Commons

Featuring:

- Chip & bib 5K run/walk
- Wellness Fair
- Free fitness classes
- Youth activities
- Food trucks

Donations accepted, and sponsorships are available.

This is a non-profit event. All proceeds and donations will be evenly presented to 2 nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations: NAMI Will-Grundy and NLSD122 PTO.

TO LEARN MORE & REGISTER
visit bit.ly/5kNewLenox
or scan this image



NAMI Will-Grundy (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is based out of Joliet, IL. Its mission is to provide advocacy, education, support and public awareness so that all individuals and families affected by mental illness can build better lives.

The NLSD 122 PTO (New Lenox School District 122 Parent/Teacher Organization) raises funds to help better the students/ education and wellness through library, music, art and physical education program enhancements, replenishing indoor and outdoor recess equipment, academic support grants and assemblies as well as teacher reimbursements and student scholarships.



*Believe
You Can*

5K RUN/WALK
FOR MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS