

EAGLE FEATHERS



PTA Newsletter for Aspen Elementary School (www.aspen.alpineschools.org) April 2015

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome to April! Wow...two months to go! We have had such a wonderful, and successful year so far. I stood in front of all the students at our assembly on Monday and was in awe! Such wonderful kids! Such awesome teachers and staff! What a pleasure it is to be here at Aspen!

April brings many wonderful activities. We are in the middle of our spirit week! Thank you to our PTA for planning all the wonderful activities. On Friday, we will have our 5th grade Wax Museum. Next week is Spring Break. I hope that all of you have a safe, and fun, break. When we get back we will be having the "Utah Great Shakeout" drill on the 16th at 10:15.

Testing will begin on April 21st. We would like to remind you to have your students here (as much as possible) during the testing window. It will go until May 15th. Also, remember to make sure your kids are getting enough sleep, etc. during this time so that can be alert and ready for testing.

***Our 4th Annual 5K/1 mile run will be on April 24th. Please sign up (this week) if you would like a t-shirt. Otherwise, you can sign up (register) until the day of the race. We hope that we can everyone involved in this activity. It is the only school sponsored fundraiser (besides cookie dough) that we have during the year. We would like to get science kits for every grade level. So the amount we make from the race will help in getting those kits.

We will be having a "Spring Sing", like our Christmas sing, on April 28th. More information will come on this activity. We also have our 4th grade "Walk through Utah" on May 1st.

One thing to put on your calendar, as well, is our school evacuation drill, which will be held on May 8th. More information will be provided for this activity.

Thank you so much for your involvement here at Aspen! It really is the best place to be!

Mr. Davies
Principal

PTA PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As we write this message, the sun is finally shining, the temperature is above 32 degrees, and spring break is around the corner – so maybe spring is really on its way!

Once again, Literacy week/night was a big success! We want to thank Ruth Young and committee for organizing and coordinating this fun event!

In closing, we thank all of you for a wonderful year so far, and for the many ways you have supported Aspen with contributions of your time, talent and funds. Our very best wishes for a healthy, re-energizing and happy spring break!

Ruth Young & Molly Zamboni





Mark your calendars! The Aspen Elementary annual carnival will be Monday, May 11 from 4:00-7:00. This is a fun family event and a great way to celebrate the end of the school year! Enjoy games, a live reptile show, concessions, dinner and more!

We will be sending out more info on ticket sales.

We also need volunteers to make this event a success. If you can spare a little time to help before or after the carnival, please contact Molly Zamboni

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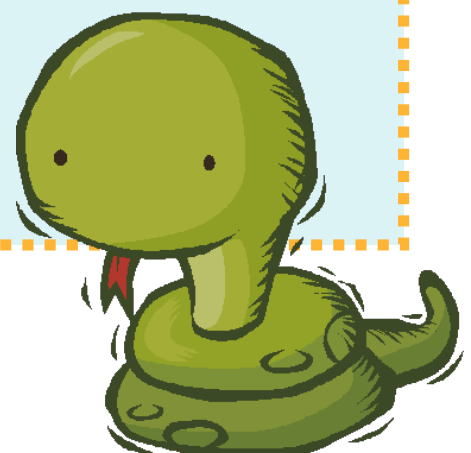


BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: LIVE REPTILE SHOW AT THE

CARNIVAL!

If you missed it last year, plan on bringing the family to our newest carnival attraction: **A LIVE REPTILE SHOW!** Come meet Nanners the giant snake, Darth Gator the baby alligator, Twinkle Toes the giant tortoise, and more. You'll learn from a professional reptile handler and get a rare chance to see (and, in some cases, touch) these exotic creatures! Shows will be held in the school auditorium (general seating only) at 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, and 6:30.

NOTE: Seating is limited to 50 per show, which means only 200 people will get this amazing opportunity! Tickets are \$1.00 each and can be pre-purchased along with your punch passes and meal tickets. Watch for more information-- including a link to the online reservation system you'll use to secure your seats--coming home soon.



Road to Success!!

What a fun school assembly we had this month! Giving another grand prize out and rewarding some great classes on all their hard work! Also we had a chance to spin the Prize Wheel in front of the school for some lucky readers.

It was so fun seeing the students names that have recorded their minutes filter into the spinning wheel. Then the anticipation of whose name would be selected to win some books, and other prizes was so neat! Each class was able to spin their own wheel in the classrooms and received a prize. We hope the teachers can use this tool in the class for other incentives for their great readers. Congrats to Miss. Mortenson's class for earning the Eagles Nest chair for their classroom. We are super excited for our reading goal of 1 million minutes!!!! And even before the end of they year! Yeah!! So on to the party planning. It will be so fun "Chalk up to Reading" party for the end of the year. Keep recording your minutes; we have a chance to earn some funds for our library.

Thanks for all your help and support this year! We love seeing your kids excited about reading and helping our school earn our goal.
Jen and Christine



**DID YOU FORGET
TO ORDER A
YEARBOOK!??**

No worries, we ordered extras. Pick up an order form in the office!

SPIRIT WEEK

is happening now!

Wednesday-
Sports Day

Thursday-
Hawaiian Day

Friday-
School Colors day

**SHOW YOUR
SCHOOL SPIRIT
BY
DRESSING UP!!**

Kindergarten Donut Dates

Friday, May 1st

A.M. Kindergarten 9:25 to 9:55 AM

P.M. Kindergarten 1:00– 1:30

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

What is a Donut Date? A Donut Date is an informal gathering where a parent or other adult comes to the school to READ with the student on their special day. A donut will be available for both students and adults to partake of during the “date”.

Why do a Donut Date? This gives the parents or other adults the opportunity to come to the school and be involved in the child’s education. Plus, there are all of those wonderful yummy Donuts.

Who can come to the Donut Date? Any adult that has an interest in the education of their student may come to the Donut Date (ex. Father, Mother, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts, Neighbors or Special Friends). Each month a different grade will be invited to participate in the “Date”.

Where is the Donut date? Due to the potential messy combination of students and donuts, the Donut Date will be held in the lunchroom. Adults will go directly to the lunchroom where they will meet their students.



Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week is coming up May 4th - May 8th. Aspen's teachers and staff are the best, and we want to treat them like the **SUPERHEROES that they are! Be watching for more information to follow!**

