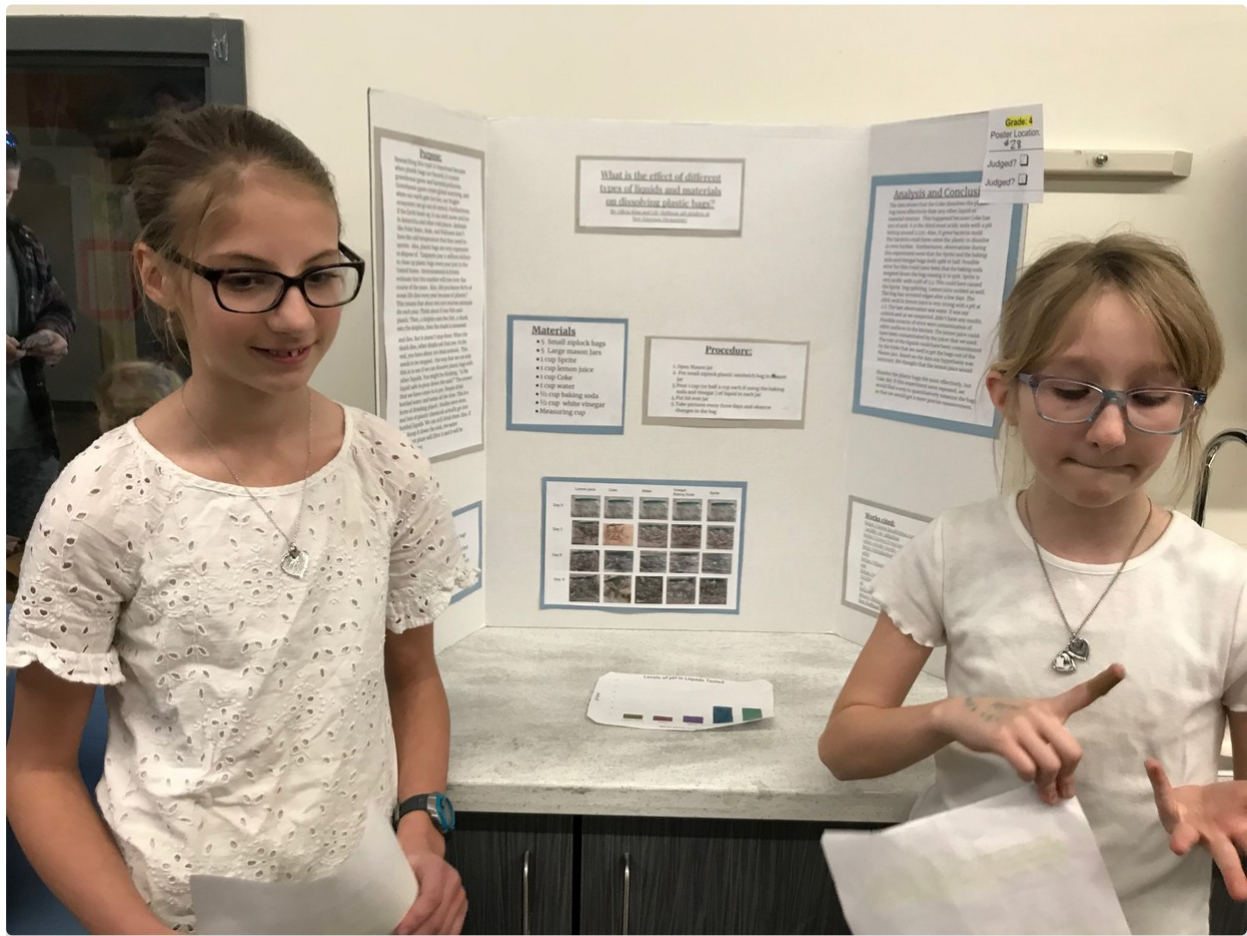


New Emerson News

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Olivia King and Lily Hoffman won first place at Eureka! Science Fair.



Other New Emerson Finalists/Winners include:

3rd Grade Finalists:

- Ella Snow - Independence Academy
- Leofgyth Schmitz - Nisley
- Claire, River, Ruby Jean - New Emerson
- Madeline Palomares - Debeque
- Dazlynn, Leah, Carter - New Emerson

4th Grade Finalists:

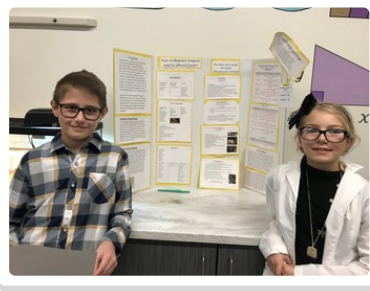
- Kellan Blake, McKenzie ODell, Ryker Tran - Appleton
- Alivia Nicodemus - Independence Academy

- Landin and Aspen - New Emerson - **PLACED THIRD**
- Ethan, Colton, and Emilia - New Emerson
- Olivia and Lily - New Emerson- **PLACED FIRST**

5th Grade Finalists:

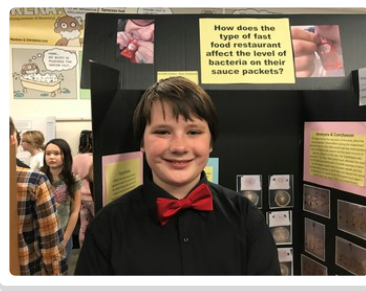
- Blake and Tegan - New Emerson -**PLACED THIRD**
- Bode and Jayden - New Emerson
- Ella, Kendall, and Maggie - New Emerson
- Baylee Krizman - Independence Academy
- Beckett Carlton - New Emerson -**PLACED SECOND**

Congratulations!



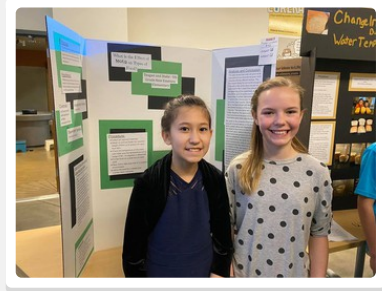
Second Place Winners

Fourth Graders Landin Reid and Aspen Usow



Second Place Winner

Fifth Grader Beckett Carlton



Third Place Winners

Fifth Graders Teagan Weatherly and Blake Hawkins

Letter from the Principal

By Terry Schmalz

New Emerson learners and I just finished sharing about New Emerson with many prospective families. Reflecting on what to share was easy. It is easy to share with others when our staff creates environments and conditions that engage all students. Our energetic staff and their level of learning amazes me. Teacher feedback, student-to-student feedback, and student-to-teacher feedback is alive in all classrooms. Our staff is seeing learner growth and understanding by giving feedback and receiving feedback. Time is given for learners to implement the feedback they receive. New Emerson staff will continue to study feedback this quarter. Our learners will continue to give one another feedback as well.

March is a busy month. Many exciting learning events are scheduled this month. Music programs, field trips, painting the mural with Pavia, and spring break keep all learners busy. The end of the month Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) will begin for all third, fourth, and fifth grade learners. This is a great time for our learners to demonstrate what they know and are able to do at their grade level. Your teachers will be sending home additional information.

A big hope for the future is to replace some of the playground equipment. Thank you, Jeremy Gilliam, for helping with the grant by donating his time to design the play space. If we are selected to present the grant, The New Emerson Playground Project: Where Hands-on Learning Meets Hands-on Playing, and it is funded, we will be asking for parent volunteers to help us remove old playground equipment. Keep your fingers crossed and hope this grant proposal continues to move forward.

We appreciate feedback from our parents and community. Working together positively will lead to success for everyone. Thank you for your continued support.

Happy March!

Terry Schmalz
New Emerson Principal

SAVE THE DATES:

March 2-1st Grade Field Trip @ 9:30AM

March 2-5 Dr. Seuss Week

March 2-Read-A-Thon Starts

March 8-Daylight Savings Time (Spring Ahead)

March 9-School of Choice Window OPENS

March 10-3rd Grade Music Concert 6PM

March 11-Kindergarten PBL Presentation

March 12-Work Day NO SCHOOL

March 13-Spring Break Begins

March 23-School RESUMES

March 26-Class Picture Day (wear your class t-shirts)

March 27-School of Choice Window CLOSES

March 30-3rd, 4th & 5th Grade CMAS Testing Begins

Office News - Ms. Cherie will be Out of the Office in March & April

By Office Administrator Cherie Perea

I will be having surgery on my left hand the week after spring break and will be gone through the month of April. Laurie Buniger will be my sub the entire time I am away. We are lucky to have her join us. Many of you already know Laurie as she was the secretary here before me. She will be shadowing me in the coming weeks ahead, so stop and introduce yourself! We will be in constant contact with each other, and I will be checking my emails daily to help troubleshoot anything that comes up while I am away. I will be back just as soon as I get released medically to finish the school year. If you can think of anything that needs my attention beforehand, let me know. Please join me in welcoming Laurie!

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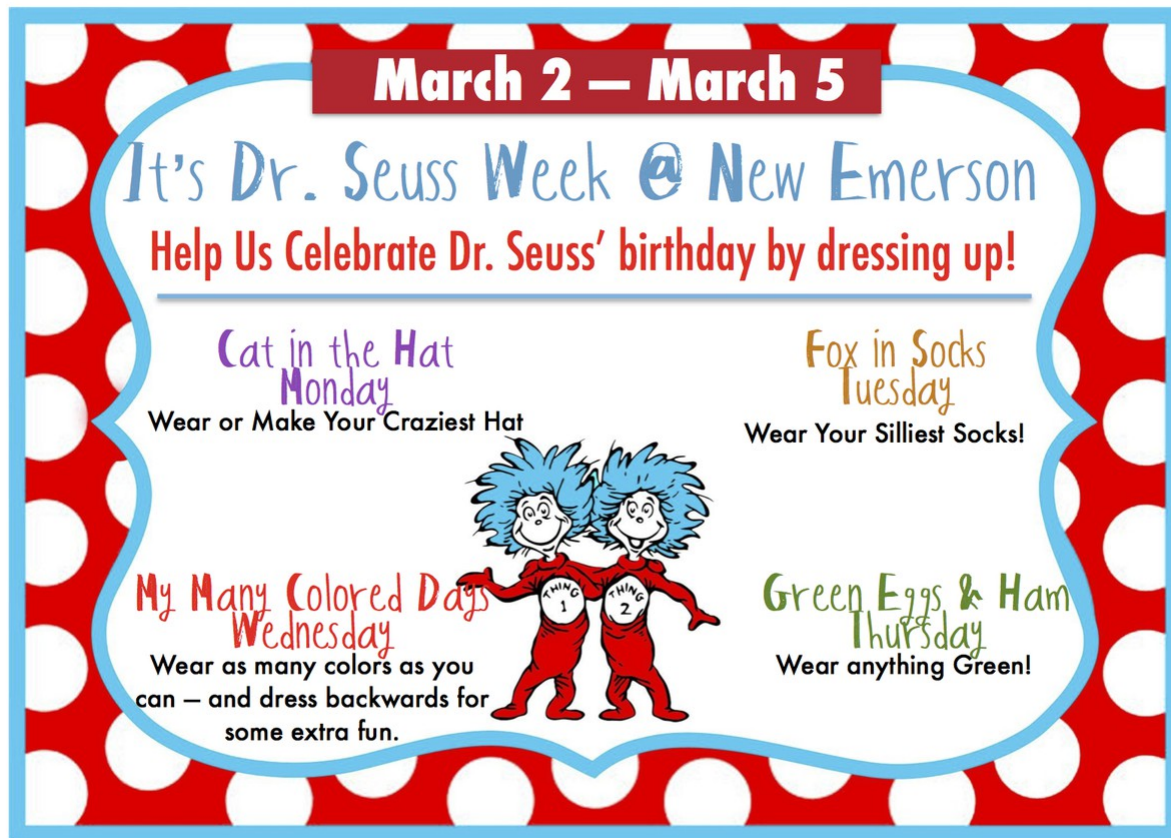
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Counselor Corner

By; Leslie Atchison

Dear Parents,

My February classroom lesson in Kindergarten was about kindness. The Kindergarten learners thought about habits they are already doing every day, and considered ways to add TINY acts of kindness on to these habits. This is part of a PBL project that Ms. Shannon and Ms. Miranda are doing with the Kindergarten learners to increase kindness at school.

My classroom lesson in 1st grade was the final lesson about managing emotions. The 1st grade learners considered strategies to help themselves feel better when they are nervous/worried or scared, and they wrote and drew pictures about the strategies they can use.

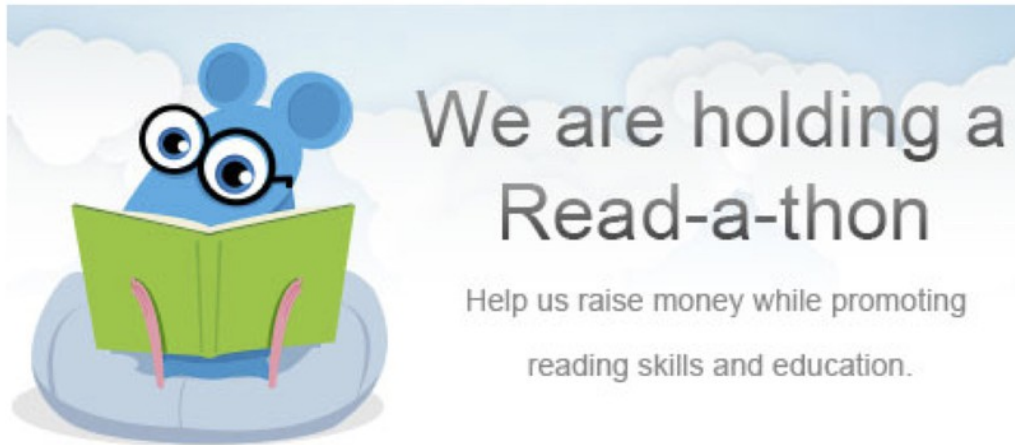
My classroom lesson in 2nd grade will be the first week of March. This lesson will be about the different parts of the brain and how we can shift from the back of the brain (where we react before thinking) to the front of the brain (where we think, solve problems and learn).

My final SEL small groups in 3rd grade were about goal setting. The learners in these groups participated in discussions about goals that they set for themselves this year and how those goals have helped them to be successful. They also talked about goals that they still want to accomplish this year and what might help them to be successful.

The 4th grade learners participated in a Secret Acts of Kindness game in February – tied to Valentine's Day. This game promotes more kindness in the classroom in a fun way for students. The 4th grade learners also participated in another session of Couragion in February.

My classroom lesson in 5th grade was about "Helping a Friend". It involved learning to recognize other people's feelings through observation and listening, and how to use Non-Nosey statements and follow up questions to help a friend who is dealing with difficult emotions.

Please let me know if you have any questions about my classroom lessons, or if you have any school related concerns about your child that I might be able to help with.



Welcome Parents, Students and Friends to our Read-a-thon!

This year, we are excited to announce that we will hold a Read-a-thon fundraiser. Our Read-a-thon is a program that brings students together with family and friends to encourage reading and to build literacy skills.

The main focus of the Read-a-thon is for everyone to know we are committed to improving reading skills. To that end, the Read-a-thon promises to be a fun, exciting journey for all participants as they begin a personal Reading Adventure that challenges each reader to complete 10 reading sessions over our 2-week event.

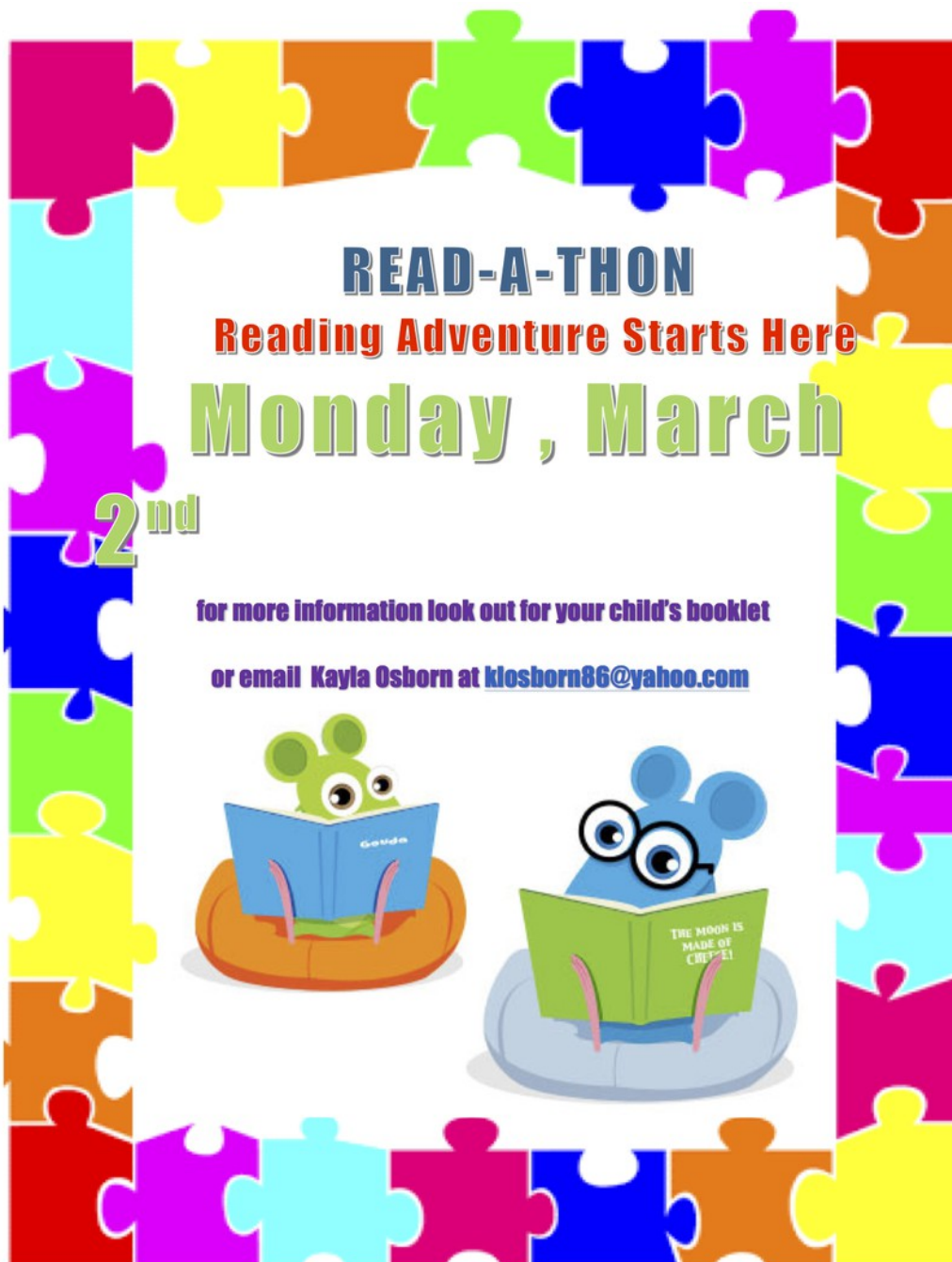
Our Read-a-thon will start March 2, 2020.

Today we sent home paperwork with your reader explaining how you will activate their personal Read-a-thon page.

You will find this to be the easiest fundraiser possible. By simply activating your reader's personal page and using the promotional tools found there, friends and family anywhere in the world can show their support for your reader by making a donation to our Read-a-thon.

Your involvement in the Read-a-thon will help your child develop a lasting love of reading.

We hope each one of you will activate your child's personal page the day your child brings home their paperwork. Look out for reminders as the big day approaches!!!



Next PTO Meeting Monday, March 9th, 2020



New Emerson
PTO MEETING

Agenda

- School Accountability Report — Ms. Terry
- PTO Budget Review — Kayla
- I Love to Read Night/Read-a-thon Update — Diana & Kayla
- Lions Club Thank you Note/Parade Update — Miranda
- Amazon Smile Fundraiser Info — Miranda
- Field Day in May — Need a Coordinator(s)
- Anything else?

WHEN: Monday, March 9 @ 4:15pm

WHERE: Libratory

Childcare Provided by the PTO with Ms. Joy and Ms. Ashley in the Pre-K Building at 4pm

New Emerson Libratory Gala Promo





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