



ELMWOOD EXPRESS

TEACHING AND LEARNING ARE VISIBLE

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PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING

First quarter Report Cards are going home today; in addition, you will also find the 2016 PARCC scores for the ELA & Math assessments your 3rd -6th graders took last Spring. Please be on the lookout for our upcoming Parent Meeting to discuss the PARCC test, our new Science Curriculum, and our Visible Learning theme for the school year. Resource for understanding the test: <http://understandthescore.org/>



Ms. Jeryk's 5th graders building candy corn towers!

Community Closet

Elmwood Park School District is sponsoring a Community Closet. The Community Closet will have gently used and new items. Items include clothing, coats, shoes, and hats for children. It will also have some adult outerwear, clothing, linens, and soft home goods. This is all FREE OF CHARGE! So if your kids have outgrown everything come see what we have for your family! All are welcome! Spread the word! Details are as follows:

When: Wednesday October 26, 2016

Time: 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Where: Elmwood Park High School- 8201 Fullerton Avenue. Enter: Through Door 3

PATT NEWS

Thank you to all that participated in our dine outs we received the following:

Jim & Pete's = \$100.00

Massa = \$100.00

Our next PATT meeting will be Thursday Nov. 3 @ 6:30 p.m.

We have Carson's coupon books. Send in \$5.00 in envelope with your name on and it will be sent home.

Thank you for all your support. Any questions please contact Michela Shipinski at 708-845-6446 or email elmwoodpatt2319@outlook.com



Mrs. Kanas's 4th grade students off and running learning about energy utilizing our new Science curriculum, STEMScopes!

REMINDER

Supervision of students does not start until 8:20 a.m. (9:00 a.m. on Wednesdays). Please make sure that if your child comes to school before that time that you are accompanying them until our supervisors start. Additionally, there is no ball playing in the front or back of the building before or after school, due to safety reasons. Ball playing may take place on the field.



5th graders from Ms. Tobey's class and 1st graders from Miss Giudice's class interviewed each other for a buddy activity!



2nd grader Filip Szczepaniak in Mrs. Predovich's class and 5th grader Johnny Waterloo from Mrs. Lester's class teamed up on a buddy activity called "Frankly I Love My Buddy"

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WORDS OF WISDOM

Happy Friday Panthers and Parents! The theme for the month of October is "Making a difference." This week we focused on inner beauty. Inner beauty focuses on the good traits we have inside of us, not the physical outer features. It is extremely important, for both girls and boys alike, to know and understand what inner beauty is, and how to identify it in others. Our culture emphasizes outward beauty, but it's what's on the inside that counts. Here are some tips on how to teach what "being beautiful" looks like:

- Observe which two or three character traits your child has naturally, such as honesty or patience, then reinforce those..
- Consider significant goals you have for your child. Do you believe your child can be a great scientist or musician? Let them know. Chances are, looking pretty in a mirror isn't on that list.
- Catch your child "being beautiful" and reinforce what you see
- Give your child a sense of identity.
- Take your child to the mirror and show them the loveliness of their smile and the brightness of their eyes. Tell them this is inner beauty coming out.
- When your child displays a good attitude, be sure to mention them. When they seek a compliment about their physical appearance, also point out inner qualities.
- When you read stories to your child, discuss the inner qualities of the characters—both positive and negative. Point out we can't judge people's hearts by their outward appearances.
- When another child (or your own child) misbehaves, privately talk to your child about the unsightliness of disobedience. Focus on the wrong actions, not on the person.

Have a wonderful weekend, and remember to come to school on Monday prepared to Be Responsible, Be Respectful, and Be ready for class! With something to think about, this is Ms. Martini. Make it a great weekend – or not. The choice is yours!

BE RESPONSIBLE, BE RESPECTFUL, BE READY