## February 14, 2023, Newsletter

# Scenic Park Elementary

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#### Message from the Principal

Hello Scenic Park Families,

Thank you all for your flexibility with our extended school day. Just a reminder, students will be dismissed at 4:00. The last day of the extended school day will be

March 9th. When we return to school after Spring Break, we will resume to our regular scheduled dismissal time of 3:30.

Your child should have brought home a yellow envelope, labeled "Remote Learning Packet." In the event of a school closure, we will revert to this packet as well as additional instructions from your child's teacher. Please visit the Scenic Park website's remote learning link for additional information. <a href="https://www.asdk12.org/domain/6168">https://www.asdk12.org/domain/6168</a>

The Anchorage School District online lottery system will be open on February 15th. If you know of any families that live outside our zone and would be interested in attending Scenic Park, please have them apply for the lottery. <a href="https://www.asdk12.org/lottery">https://www.asdk12.org/lottery</a>

The School Climate and Connectedness Survey is a voluntary statewide survey that measures school climate, how connected students feel to adults and peers, social and emotional learning, and observed risk behaviors at school and school events. Please take the time to complete this survey. We value your input. https://surveys.panoramaed.com/aasb/asdfamily

Student and staff safety continues to be a top priority at Scenic Park. Along with our monthly fire evacuation drills, we will be conducting our quarterly ALICE Drill. We will practice our ALICE Drill on Monday, February 27th.

As we push through the last few weeks of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, our Immersion students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be participating in the STAMP test. This test will assess your child's reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills in Chinese.

As always, thank you for your continued support in your child's education. Looking forward to seeing families at our PTO sponsored Family Skate Night on Friday.

## **Upcoming Events**

February 15<sup>th</sup>
The Lottery opens

February 16<sup>th</sup> Immersion Parent Open House, 6:00pm-7:30pm

February 17<sup>th</sup>
Family Skate Night
6:00-8:00

February 17<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>
The Spring Scholastic Book
Fair

February 20<sup>th</sup> No School, Presidents' Day

March 3<sup>rd</sup> PTO Move Night

March 9<sup>th</sup> 4 o'clock dismissal ends

<u>March 10<sup>th</sup></u> No School, Inservice Day

March 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Spring Break

#### Important Announcement

8:40- Students having breakfast only.

8:50- First bell rings, students enter building.

9:00- Tardy bell rings, classes begin.

11:15-1:05- Lunch schedule

4:00 - Dismissal

Sincerely, Marco Christian, Principal

## Message from the nurse:

During the month of February, the American Dental Association celebrates National Children's Dental Health Month.

Protect tiny teeth! Baby teeth are so important because of their key role of saving space for a child's permanent teeth. They stay in a child's mouth for 6-10 years and affect their speaking, chewing, and, of course, smiling. Baby teeth can also indicate a child's overall quality of health. Untreated tooth decay can cause oral infections that enter the bloodstream and lead to other serious health problems, while also allowing bacteria to spread to new adult teeth. While brushing is important, the additional step of flossing will get to those pesky little areas that bacteria can hide in even after a good brushing.

#### Parents, did you know?

Early childhood tooth decay has become the most common chronic childhood disease, impacting more children than asthma. According to the ADA, more than 40% of children have tooth decay by the time they reach Kindergarten. Additionally, kids who suffer from poor oral health are three times more likely to miss school as a result of dental pain. For more on your children's dental health, visit www.cdc.gov/oralhealth/basics/childrens-oral-health

#### What you can do:

- Brush teeth twice a day with fluoride toothpaste.
- Help your child brush their teeth until they have good brushing skills. If your child is younger than 6, watch them brush. Make sure they use a pea-sized amount of toothpaste and always spit it out rather than swallow.
- Ask your child's dentist to apply dental sealants when appropriate.
- Drink tap water that contains fluoride.

Join the Missing Tooth Club at Scenic Park. When your child loses a tooth at school, they can ask their teacher or the nurse for a tooth necklace and have their name placed on our club poster.

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# More Important news

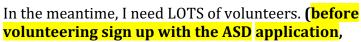
### News from our librarian

The Spring Scholastic Book Fair is here, and we will be changing our format a bit. Our dates will be:

Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, during the school day and from 4:00 to 6:30 afterschool

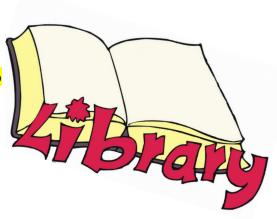
Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, during the school day Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, during the school day Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, during the school day

Students will be shopping at the book fair during their library class time. Our AMAZING PTO has set up an option to allow families to pay in advance online, so students won't have to bring cash with them to school. Here is the link: https://www.smore.com/z9frh



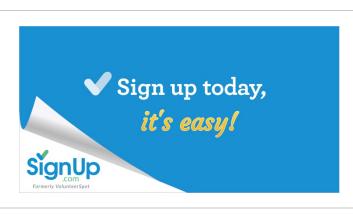
http://www.asdk12.org/Page/13771) I am envisioning helpful adults with clipboards and calculators helping students add up their purchases as well as the usual volunteer stockers, cashiers, set up crew, and pack up crew.

Please sign up to help. Use this link to schedule a spot to make our Spring Book fair a fabulous success. https://signup.com/go/PAVjaPq



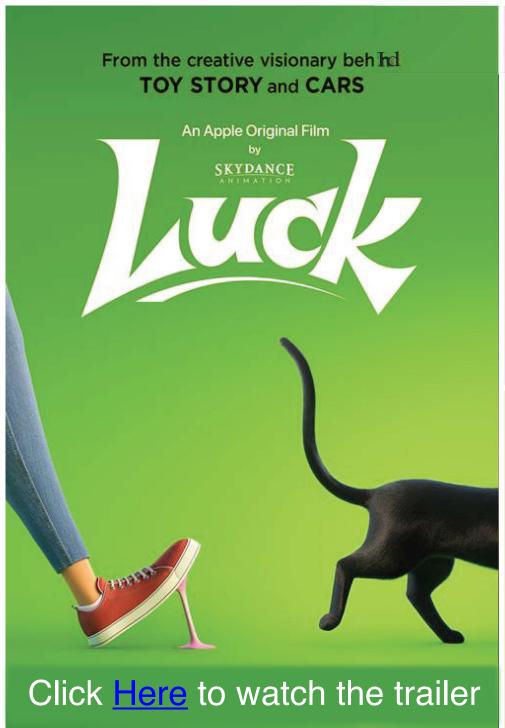


Allison Brandt Librarian, Scenic Park Elementary



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Spring
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742-1650 Scenic Park Library Website





March 3, 2023 @ Scenic Park Gym Doors open at 6:00pm Movie starts at 6:30pm

Bring a pillow and/or chair for comfortable seating. Food and snacks for sale.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.





