

NOVEMBER 2022

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PARENT - TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on **Thursday, Nov. 10th** and **Tuesday, Nov. 15th**. Teachers will be reaching out to you to schedule a time to meet virtually or by phone. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (920) 863-4175.

Conferences for 5K students will be held:

Nov. 10th and Nov. 15th

3:30 PM—7:30 PM



5K report cards will be sent home on Friday, Dec. 9th.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 8

5K Field Trip
Building for Kids

November 13

World Kindness Day

November 14-18

American Education
Week

November 16

Education Support
Professional Day

Nov. 10 & Nov. 15

5K Conferences

November 22

Friendship Celebration

November 23, 24, & 25

No School

If you live in the Denmark School District and have a child who is age 3 or turning age 3 or by August 2023, please notify the Denmark School District's Early Childhood Office at 920-863-4175 and provide the following to Mrs. Knofliceck: Parent's Full Names, Child's Full Name, Child's Birth Date, Family address, phone number and email address. The Child Find Screening Team will be sure to send you a questionnaire for our Preschool Screening Process. You can also email Lori Knofliceck with the information at: knoflicl@denmark.k12.wi.us



All newsletters will be sent via email / school messenger and are also accessible on the ECC website under the "Families" tab.

A Note from Mr. Grishaber

November is a busy month at the ECC. Our 4K students will learn about the Night Sky as well as Turkeys, Thanksgiving, and all about their Family. As always, our 4K students continue to learn their letters, sounds, and numbers, as well as how to solve their own problems and manage their feelings.

In Kindergarten, our eldest students are learning to apply the letter and sound knowledge they've learned and begin reading! In Math, 5K starts to combine quantities as they begin adding small numbers and solidifying their understanding of number sense. They will conduct investigations on pumpkins, learn about Families and Thanksgiving.

And let's not forget, Kindergarten Parent/Teacher conferences are coming November 10 and 15. Your child's teacher will contact you to set-up a time to meet. Our 4K conferences will be held in winter, so please stay tuned for more information.

We cannot express our desire for all of you to remain safe and healthy. If you or your child experiences any illnesses, it is vital that this is communicated with us so we can ensure the safety and health of all our students. We have been seeing an increase in fevers, stomach bugs, and overall fatigue, so please keep an eye on your child if they are not feeling well.

We ask that students with temperatures above 100.4° remain at home until they are fever free, with no medication, for 24 hours. In addition, students who have stomach issues that keep them in the bathroom or make them extremely uncomfortable should remain at home as well. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to give our office a call and we'll do our best to offer you guidance as to whether or not you should keep your child home. If you take your child to see a medical professional, please ask for a medical excuse and this absence will be excused.

A few reminders:

- As we all know, the weather this time of year is fickle; students will head outside for recess if the weather, with windchill, is 0° or higher, so please make sure to dress them appropriately for the day.
- Also, please make sure to update any extra clothing your child has stored here at school in the case of a spill, accident, etc. Shorts and sundresses are chilly to wear in November!
- Please make sure any clothing items sent with your child are labeled. Hats, mittens, boots, etc. have a way of finding new homes and it's quite helpful to find their owners when they are labeled.

With gratitude,



Lance Grishaber
Principal, Denmark Early Childhood Center

Colder Weather

As colder weather trickles into our forecast, please make sure your child has adequate clothing for the weather. Our students will have outdoor recess as long as the weather is 0° or warmer with the windchill. Please make sure your child has a hat, gloves/mittens, and a jacket that is warm enough for the dropping temperatures. We'll be reminding you about boots and snow pants before you know it!

DROP - OFF

Students are not allowed to be dropped off in our parking lot and walk up to our main entrance by themselves. This presents a severe safety concern and we want to ensure our students' safety at all times. Please be aware that students **must** be accompanied by an adult to our main entrance in the morning when being dropped off for school.



Also, please note that there is **NO PARKING** in the front of the main entrance of our building. Please use the designated parking spots and walk your child up to the front doors when dropping off for school.

How to Help Your Child Have a Successful Morning

Do you struggle with stressful mornings when you want to lay your head down and cry before 8:00 a.m.? Do you often leave the house in an angry, frantic rush? Mornings can be a particularly challenging time for parents. Getting your entire family up and out the door is no easy task! It is important to understand that your morning routine serves as the foundation for your family's entire day. You can create a morning routine that not only helps your day to begin more smoothly, but also teaches your child important skills that he needs to become more independent and confident. A morning routine can also reduce challenging behavior such as crying, whining and tantrums. Click [here](#) for more information on how to help your child have a successful morning.

WEATHER REMINDER

As the weather is getting colder we would like to remind students to dress warm. On cold or snowy days boots, hats, coats, snow pants, and mittens need to be worn for their protection.

Water proof mittens work best. Once we start getting snow, students must wear boots on the playground. If there is snow on the ground and students don't have boots, they will have to stay on the cement and won't be able to play on the playground.



ATTENDANCE

Did you know that children can suffer academically if they miss just 10 percent of the school year? That's just 18 days for Kindergarten and 14 days for 4K. Please join the ECC in our commitment to have all children arrive at school on time, every day. 4K begins at 7:45 and 11:50, and Kindergarten begins at 7:45. We will open the school doors at 7:40 and 11:45 each day.

We know there will be days your child misses school due to illness, doctor appointments and other family obligations. We encourage you to keep your children home when they are too sick to attend, but also recognize that missed school days add up to missed opportunities and can cause students to fall behind academically. If your child will be missing school, please contact the office at (920) 863-4175 and tell us your child's name, teacher, and reason for the illness.

Attending school is a child's most important job. Students who attend school regularly starting in Kindergarten are more likely to graduate and find good jobs. Attendance in 4K is a good way to help prepare children for Kindergarten and is as important as the academic skills they are learning.



Thank you for your help in getting your children to school on time regularly!

Reminder: Complete Annual Student Information Update Online

Our Annual Student Information Update takes the place of the paper forms originally sent home in take home folders at the ECC. This can be completed through your Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

To access the Infinite Campus Parent Portal Online Registration / Annual Update:



- Go to the Infinite Campus Link located at the top of our District web site (www.denmark.k12.wi.us)
- Login using the username and password you set up when you created your account. Please see contact information below if you do not have a parent portal account.
- Click on More located at the bottom of the left side panel.
- Please complete the Annual Student Information Update as soon as possible. **It is crucial both 4K and 5K families complete these online forms so that we have the most up-to-date information for your student and your family.**

If you do not have a parent portal account created, please contact: Lori Knoflicek at knoflicl@denmark.k12.wi.us or the ECC office at (920)863-4175



REMINDERS:



NO SCHOOL

There will be **NO SCHOOL** district wide on **Wednesday, November 23, Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25.**



SNOW DAYS / LATE STARTS

Please note: In the event of a late start, **4K AM** classes will **NOT** meet.



Student Fees

Please remember that student fees are \$10 per student. Fees are now past due as the due date was September 24th. Payments can easily be made online via your Infinite Campus Portal or you can send cash or check in a clearly marked envelope that states student fees along with your child's name and classroom teacher.

Thank you

Volunteer Background Check / Chaperoning

If you plan on volunteering at school, we will need a current volunteer background check on file. Volunteer Background Check forms need to be filled out each school year.



4K & 5K FRIENDSHIP CELEBRATION

The **4K & 5K** students are planning for their Friendship Celebration on **Tuesday, Nov. 22nd**. Information will be shared with parents and students as the date draws nearer.



DENMARK DOLLAR REWARDS

Students can earn Denmark Dollars for being safe, respectful and responsible here at the ECC. Weekly students are able to shop with their earned dollars. Our reward cart is running low and we are currently looking for donations. Items we are looking for: small toys, stickers, McDonald toys, match box cars, beanie babies, tattoos, small containers of play dough, bubbles, bracelets, party favors, etc.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

At the beginning of the year you were asked to send a spare change of clothes to school for your child in case of spills or accidents. Most students brought in shorts and short sleeve t-shirts at that time. With the cold weather arriving we ask that you swap out these clothes for a set of long pants and long sleeved shirts. Conferences would be a great time to do this.

We keep extra clothing here at school in case of a spill or bathroom accidents. If your child needs to borrow our clothing we ask that you please wash them and return them in a timely manner. Thank you



The 4K Tree Museum

Our 4K students have been learning all about trees.



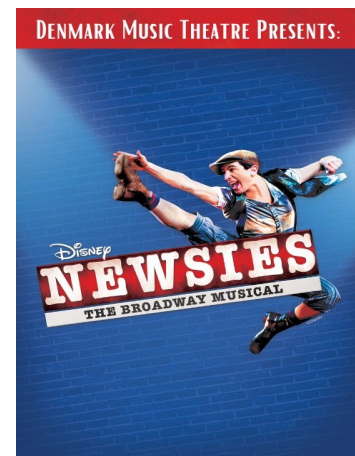
5K Students spraying the firehose during their Field Trip to the Denmark Fire station.



The student and staff here at the ECC have been invited to a preview showing of this year's high school musical "Newsies".

Students will be walking to the high school on Thursday, Nov. 8th to watch a portion of the show.

Tickets are available to purchase online at ShowTix4U



Save Your Tabs

The ECC has been saving pop tabs for several years to support the Ronald McDonald House.

Our staff and students love to help others and this is one way we are able to do so. You will find a container as you walk into the front hall of the ECC where your donations can be deposited. Twice a year our tabs are delivered to the Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee.

Thank you for helping us support the Ronald McDonald house!



Contacting Your Child's Teacher

Teacher's are unable to answer their phones during school hours, except in the case of an emergency. Parents may leave a message and ask a teacher to call them back as soon as possible.

Ask your child's teacher if they have a preferred method of contact (phone, email, Seesaw message, etc.)

Please always call the office if you need to pick up your child and didn't send a note.

Birthday Treats

ALL birthday treats must be store bought, with a store label on it. This is due to food allergies, among other reasons. We appreciate your understanding.

School Bags / Backpacks

Because of numerous projects, handouts, and parent information, it is important for each child to bring a backpack or school bag to school daily. **Please remember to check your child's backpack at the end of each day.** Your involvement is the key to your child's success in school.

REMINDER

As a safety measure - please **do not attach or let your child clip on items such as toys or key chains items to their schoolbag.**



ECC Webpage

The Denmark School District and school web pages are a great source for school information. Please make sure to check out our website often to see all of the wonderful things happening at the ECC and in the Denmark School District! We continue to update the ECC web page to keep our parents informed of what is happening here at the ECC. Check out the Students, Families, and Community tabs found under menu. It's full of photos, useful information, along with tips and tricks to help understand child education and development.

We post our newsletter monthly under the Families tab along with sending them attached to a school seesaw message. We won't be sending home paper copies this year.



WORLD KINDNESS DAY

Kindness is the act of being considerate, compassionate, and empathetic towards other people and things. How can you celebrate as a family? Be kind and do random acts of kindness. Smile at strangers and do kind things for them. Compliment someone. Buy or make someone a treat. Leave a kind note for someone. Be kind to other people - animals too!

Help teach your child the virtue of kindness by practicing it in your daily life.

ECC Specials Corner

Check Out What Makes Our Specials So Special

Art



Students completed their abstract line paintings, Matisse inspired line collage, and Mark Di Suvero inspired paper line sculptures. For their next lesson, students will be creating an adorable dog portrait that focuses on organic shape, texture, and color. *Ask your student how they made their line sculpture.

ARTSONIA: If you have not received an email from Artsonia it is because I do not have your current email address. Please send me a short note so that you can connect with your child's digital art gallery. hagenc@denmark.k12.wi.us Thanks!

Music



Students are starting learn about different musical instruments. We have a special friend, "Callie the Cowgirl" from the land of make believe, that will be talking about different instruments that the students can try in class. We are continuing to focus on reading notes, and will be using popsicle sticks to make notes and show what they know and understand. What I know for sure is that these 5K students LOVE to sing!

Spanish



This month kindergarteners are learning color words in Spanish. Students will be able to comprehend the spoken word sooner than they will be able to recall and produce the words. Ask your student what colors they remember? - Most students learn rojo (row ho) and azul (ah sul) first.

Physical Education



During the month of October, our 5K students learned another new tag game (Mrs. Chester's favorite) called "Bug-Off". You have to admit that telling someone to "Bug-Off" (in a friendly way, of course) has got to be a lot of fun!! Ask your child how to play this fun, active game.

We have also been working on tossing and catching to yourself, in our own space. We use Beanie Babies to work with because they are easy to grab and adorable to play with. We are currently learning how to toss to a specific target, using good tossing form: Toes - T - Step - Swing. In between all of this, we have started practicing jump rope skills and will be introducing Cup-Stacking skills (great for eye-hand coordination), in November.



NEWS FROM FOOD SERVICE

Thank You ALL for your participation in the School Meal Program.

Updates:

~Visit our Menu Web Site - denmark.nutrislice.com

- ~Breakfast is available every morning and requires ½ Cup of Fruit or Vegetable per USDA
- ~Breakfast Price For This Year is \$1.80 Lunch Price For This Year is \$2.75
- ~Milk Break is offered daily The Cost for this is \$.55 per day
- ~If your Child brings a Cold Lunch and wants a Milk, that Cost is also \$.55
- ~Free and Reduced Applications are available all year, please contact Kristi Buhr or see School Web Site.
- ~If you Change your E-Mail Address or Move Please notify the School Secretaries so changes can be made.
- ~PLEASE KEEP FAMILY ACCOUNT BALANCES IN THE POSITIVE.
- ~Please contact Jody Behringer FSD, 863-4220 for any questions
- ~Please have any Payments for the Food Service turned in by 8:30 a.m. daily so it can be credited for that day.

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE THRU THE PARENT PORTAL IN INFINITE CAMPASS
Make checks payable to "DENMARK SCHOOL DISTRICT"

- ~PLEASE PUT PAYMENTS IN AN ENCLOSED ENVELOPE MARKED WITH THE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD and STUDENT(S) NAME.

THANK-YOU





Celebrate World Kindness Day on Nov 13

- Leave a note in your kid's lunchbox
- Pay for someone's coffee or meal
- Give a compliment
- Let someone check out ahead of you
- Listen to a friend
- Smile at someone just because

And be kind to your teeth! Brush twice a day, and don't forget to floss!



OHP treats more than 10,000 underinsured and uninsured kids yearly through multiple clinic locations, school-based programs, and hospital services.

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I went to the Library

Kindergarten



Dear Kindergarten Parents,

Once every week or so, your child will check out one book from the ECC Library Media Center. Books may be kept until their next library class. Students are responsible for lost or damaged books, so please help your child keep their books safe. I encourage students to keep their library book in their backpack when they are not reading them. This helps them because the book will be in their backpack to turn in when their next library day pops up. When they turn in the last book they checked out, they can check out a new book. Please help us by encouraging your child to care for and enjoy our books.

Mrs. Bain, Library Media Specialist

Reading To and With your Child

Relax.... with your child, take the opportunity to give them a cuddle, or sit them on your lap when you read to them.

Time.... find a time which is suitable to both you and your child. Reading time should be an enjoyable experience, not a task.

Selection.... give your child a chance to choose a book to read. Children need to have some control over what they read. But...you may help them out. ☺

Encourage... allow your child to join in, make sure they can see the pictures and words as well as allowing them to turn pages carefully.

Reflect.... Talk about what happened in the story, their favorite part or character and why.

Reading is for a lifetime, invest now! Read everyday!!



English: If you need this information in your native language, please contact Deb Kralovetz at kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us or 920-863-4034.

Spanish: Si necesita esta información en su idioma materno, póngase en contacto con Deb Kralovetz en kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us o 920-863-4034.

Hmong: Yog tias koj xav tau cov ntaub ntawv no ua koj hom lus, thov hu Deb Kralovetz ntawm kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us los sis 920-863-4034.

Mandarin Chinese: 如果您需要使用母语提供的这些信息, 请联系Deb Kralovetz, 电子邮件地址为 kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us 或 920-863-4034。



NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the policy of the School District of Denmark that no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's gender, color, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, gender orientation, physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

November 2022



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6	7	8 <i>5K Field Trip Building for Kids</i>	9	10 <i>5K Parent/ Teacher Conferences</i>	11 <i>Veteran's Day</i>	12
13 <i>World Kindness Day</i>	14	15 <i>5K Parent/ Teacher Conferences</i>	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 <i>Friendship Celebration</i>	23 <i>No School</i>	24 <i>No School</i>	25 <i>No School</i>	26
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American Education Week