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*Kindness is for  
Everyone!*



February 2024

# EVERGREEN NEWS

**Evergreen Elementary  
Valentine's Day  
Someone Special Dance!**

**February 2, 2024**

**Location: Gateway High  
School**



**6:00 – 8:00 pm**



**Games!**



**Photo Booth!**



**Food!**



**Raffles!**

**Music!**



Thanks >>>

**Pepperoni Roll Fundraiser!**

**Feb. 1st** – Orders are due  
**Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>** – Pick up at Evergreen  
4:00-5:30pm

**Black  
History  
Month**

Harriet  
Tubman

**EVERY GREAT DREAM BEGINS  
WITH A DREAMER. ALWAYS  
REMEMBER, YOU HAVE  
WITHIN YOU THE STRENGTH,  
THE PATIENCE, AND THE  
PASSION TO REACH FOR THE  
STARS TO CHANGE THE WORLD.**



February 19<sup>th</sup>  
No School  
In-Service



Every February 2 since 1887, Punxsutawney Phil in Pennsylvania has made his weather prediction. If it's sunny and he sees his shadow, it's said we'll see six more weeks of winter. If it's cloudy and he doesn't see his shadow, it's said to mean an early spring.



### Spring Afterschool Programs

Offered by Monroeville  
Recreation & Parks

**February** ~

\*Artist Immersion Club



**March** ~

\*How to Trap a Leprechaun

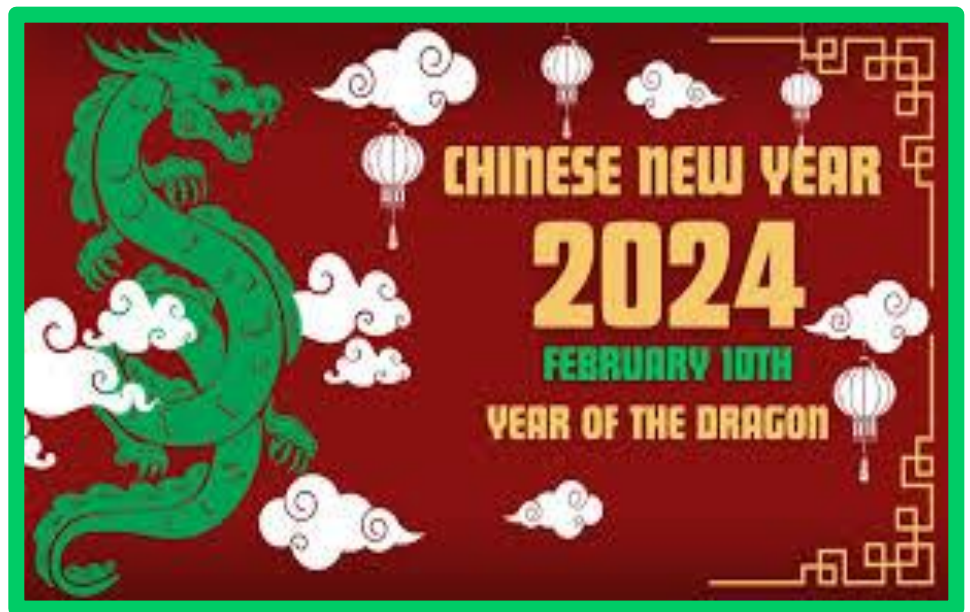
**May** ~

\*Spring Service



\*Reading Reinforcement Pop  
Up

Flyers are in the Virtual  
Backpack.



**Save The Date!!**

March 6, 2024

6:00-8:00pm



The year which has 366 days is called a leap year. That extra one day is added to the shortest month of the year, i.e. February.

When a year has February 29 in its calendar, it is termed as a leap year. This year occurs every four years.

Anyone can be born in a leap year but people born on February 29 are called leap day babies. Leap day babies can celebrate their birthdays on February 28 or March 1 except in a leap year when they can actually celebrate!

A year is the total time taken by the Earth to orbit around the Sun once. It takes the Earth 365 1/4th days (5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds) to make one orbit around the sun. But we calculate every year as only 365 and not the few hours left. So, these leftover hours add up every four years and eventually add one extra day to our calendar. Adding a day every four years matches our calendar with the solar year.



Our **Virtual Backpack** is full of information about events and activities happening at Evergreen.

Go to our website, [gatewayk12.org](http://gatewayk12.org)

Select:

Virtual Backpack then Evergreen

Please become familiar with it.

Check it often for updates and additions.



It is very **IMPORTANT** to send a written note or email **IN ADVANCE** to the school when picking a student up early or at dismissal. Please make **PRIOR** arrangements, **BEFORE 12:00 pm (NOON)** the day of for pick-ups to ensure school safety. This is written in the School Handbook that all families read and agreed to at start of year.

We appreciate your cooperation.

*final* thoughts...

Next FTO meeting is scheduled on  
2/12/2024 at 6:30pm.

## FTO Monthly Meeting -January 8th

President- Pam

- March will be elections for new FTO board positions. If you are interested please reach out [pambostwick0810@gmail.com](mailto:pambostwick0810@gmail.com) We would love for you to begin to shadow the position of interest. Nomination forms will be sent out in February via a Google doc, voting to happen at the March meeting.

Treasurer Report- Brianna

- Current Balance-\$23,662.13
- End of the year has a lot of expenses so the account typically builds this time of year.
  - Field Trips/ Teacher Appreciation/ 4th Grade gifts and picnic/Fun Day/Holiday Shop Restock

Vice President- Beth

- Holiday Shop- was an absolute success!! We enjoyed watching all your kiddos shop and hope you all enjoy your gifts! If anyone is interested in helping with shopping or planning for next year please reach out to Beth Chase and she will start an email thread- [bethchase722@gmail.com](mailto:bethchase722@gmail.com)
- Pepperoni Roll Fundraiser Orders due February 1st, Pick up February 9th

Vice President- Christina

- Grade Level Field Trips are planned. If you would like to volunteer you must be a school board approved volunteer. Turned into Evergreen. Please have ALL forms completed before turning in.
- [Volunteer Resources | Volunteer Resources \(gatewayk12.org\)](http://gatewayk12.org)
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- May 8th (1st grade) Zoo/ (2nd grade)-Heinz Hall
- May 17th (3rd grade) Zoo
- May 23-24th (4th Grade)Heinz History Center
- Food Drive for Garden City Methodist Church happening Jan 11th-January 25th
- Someone Special Dance- February 2nd

Secretary- Colleen

- Yearbook photo deadline is approaching, Parents/Teachers please post any photos you want considered for the yearbook on the Evergreen Facebook page
- Next Smoothie Day- January 12th Delivered at school in the morning
- Open House (Will be in need of Volunteers and baked goods)

- Next Meeting Monday February 12th

