



# Mrs. Bushmann's First Grade Flight Notes

1st grade

Lee Expressive Arts School

Feb. 9, 2018

## Important Dates

Wednesday, Feb. 14th  
Class Valentine Party

Feb. 12-15  
Parent/Teacher conferences

Friday, Feb. 16  
No School-conferences

Monday, Feb. 19  
No School President's Day

Friday, Feb. 23  
Class trip to Museum of  
Art and Archaeology

Thursday, March 1  
Rescheduled field trip to  
the Daniel Boone Regional  
Library 8-9:30

Friday, March 16  
Attend Cinderella Ballet  
Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday, Mar. 21  
Planetarium Field trip

March 26-30  
No School/Spring Break

Your child's gradecard is enclosed in this week's Friday folder. This is a small snapshot of your child and I'm looking forward to seeing you next week at parent/teacher conferences to share more about your child's progress. I've written your time down and included it in this week's folder. Please plan to keep your time and email me or call school (214-3530) if you have to reschedule. Thanks!

When you come to your conference plan to make a stop at our **school Book Fair**. It's a great chance to pick up high quality books and help raise money for our school. Details and times are on the enclosed flyer.

**Daniel Boone Regional Library**. So I'm guessing the children shared with you that this has to be rescheduled. There was a snafu with the buses and we had to cancel. Luckily the librarians were very understanding and **let us reschedule for March 1st**.

### K-Kids Fundraiser Feb. 12-23

Our 4th graders here at Lee are having a food drive for the Rainbow House here in Columbia. See the blue flyer in this week's folder with details about the fundraiser and how you can help!

### Friday, February 9th

#### PTA sponsored movie night in our school gym!

The Lego NINJAGO movie!! 6:30 pm  
Free admission and 50 cent concessions.

### PTA Dine for Dollars event, Monday Feb. 12th 4-8 pm Chipotle on 9th St.

See this week's folder for a flyer with more details. This is a great way to raise money for our school.

### Valentine's Day Wednesday, Feb. 14th

I have included a paper with an assignment if you volunteered to send something for our valentine's celebration next Wednesday. You may send items in starting on Monday if they won't spoil. Food items should be brought on Wednesday! Thanks for helping make it a fun day for our class.

### Snacks

**We are low on snacks.** If you haven't sent in any recently, please consider doing so this month. See list on the back of this newsletter for suggestions.

**Reading:** We are focusing our reading on understanding character, dilemma, solution and setting within our texts. When your child brings home a book in a baggie to read to you, please sign the form and return the book the next day, or as soon as possible. Thanks!

**Writing:** We are learning to use our teacher voice and write a teaching book. Your child is an "expert" at many things. He/she is learning to write to share that information.

**Math:** We are working on understanding "difference" and how it relates to subtraction. I have 3 pieces of candy, you have 2 pieces. Who has more? How much more? That is the difference. Some kids get there by adding, some by subtracting. Both ways work.

**Social Studies:** We are talking about maps and map features. This week we're talking about and making a compass rose.

**Word Study:** We will study diagraphs and blends.

**Science:** Our animal of the week has been a blue footed booby (did you know booby means "clown" or "fool"? If you ever watched their mating dance, you would understand!

**Health:** We are studying nutrition and My Plate. Ms. Zapata from University Extension will visit with us each Tuesday morning to talk about a food group and do a tasting. It's the perfect time to start establishing good eating habits and a willingness to try new foods. It might take 10 tries before we like a new food!! **This week we tasted vegetables. Everyone ate a cucumber slice, a yellow pepper slice and a raw green bean.**

### School Arrival and Dismissal

Remember that the children are allowed into the building at **7:35**. There is no supervision before this time. **The tardy bell rings at 7:55.** That is the official start time to our day. If your child is a parent drop-off in the morning and you would like to have them eat breakfast you should plan to drop them as close to 7:35 as possible. This way they have time to eat their breakfast and be ready to learn at the start of our day. All children are expected to be here by then or they will be marked absent or tardy. We will dismiss buses first this year at 2:50 and then parent

### SNACKS

We could use any donations of **snacks** that you would like to send. Snack suggestions are: graham crackers, cheese crackers, goldfish, Chex Mix, pretzels, grapes, apples, pudding, etc. I appreciate you helping out with this. If each family would send a snack for our class once a month, we would have enough. We have 19 students.

You might want to label and send a light jacket to school that could hang on your child's hook. It is quite lovely with the new air-conditioning, but several of the children found it to be colder than they are comfortable.

### Questions? Concerns?

Please call me at school at 214-3530. I am always here by 7:15 and I stay until 3:15 (usually later, but always til then). You may call me at home at 445-3942. Email is also a great way to contact me. I read it several times a day. I have an open door policy and parents are welcome to visit anytime.

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