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SHARK BITES

FEBRUARY 2024

WHERE EVERY STUDENT EXCELS

February's Message from Mrs. Terry

Greeting Schoeffner Families,

The month of January passed so quickly! Our Finley's Fun Run Fundraiser was a success! We greatly appreciate the generosity of all who participated in this fundraiser. I also want to thank to our Parent Prize Patrol who came daily to make sure students received their prizes in a timely manner. We not only raised right over \$30,000 but also had a blast exercising with our friends. Students participated in a celebration on February 2 in appreciation for their (your) hard work in raising funds for ESE!

Congratulations to the Top Fundraisers

Krewe of Finley Queen

Jaisyn Alexander

Krewe of Finley Royal Court

Allesandro Matamoros

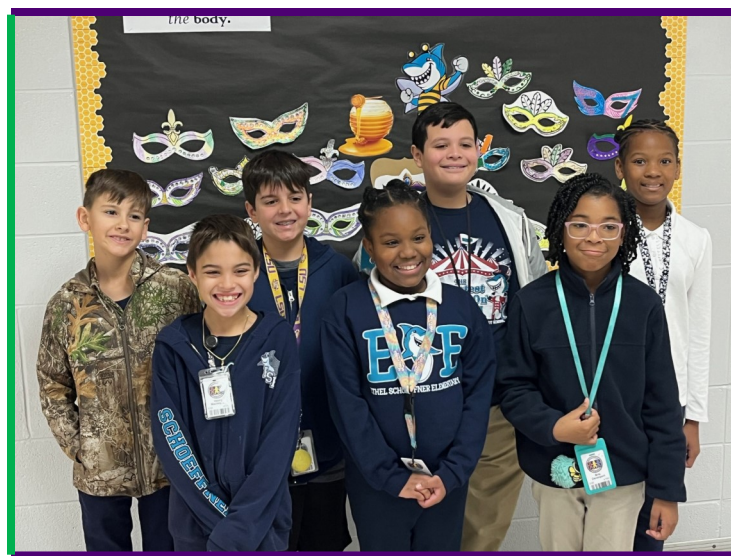
Rogan Roberts

T-4 Bria Davenport,

T-4 Henry Mackey, Jr.

Chloe Garrett

Claudio Cruz



February 5 - 9 is National School Counseling Week. Mrs. Pethe is a huge asset to our school community. She goes above and beyond each day to help address our social emotional needs. We are also fortunate to have the service of Mrs. Jackson, mental health professional. Thank you Mrs. Pethe and Mrs. Jackson for your genuine concern and compassion for all of our Schoeffner students and staff.

Parent/Teacher Conferences took place on Thursday, February 1 and Friday, February 2. I know that the teachers have tried to get in touch with 100% of parents. If you were unable to attend a conference, it is not too late to schedule time to meet or speak to your child's teachers. Working together, our students will be more successful.

Nationally, Black History Month is celebrated in February. Daily throughout the month, students will be engaged in various activities as they learn more about the contributions made by African Americans in music, art, science, and civil rights. We will welcome storyteller Donald Lewis to ESE to share African American folklore. We will also have a special book raffle sponsored by our Partner in Education, Valero, St. Charles Refinery.

We are so excited that the Krewe of Finley will parade on Friday, February 9 at 1:15. Join us at New Sarpy as we "Travel Through Louisiana!" We will continue to collect throws/trinkets for our students to throw to the New Sarpy students. You may want to ask your neighbors, friends, and family if they are willing to part with their "parade treasures" they have been keeping in their attic!



February Counselor Connection



Now that our 2nd semester is well under way the themes of morning meetings & other social emotional learning opportunities are grounded in the goal of strengthening relationship skills. I have been leading classes in a fun and educational exercise on showing them the importance of teamwork. We complete a task individually then repeat it as a team & discuss the benefits and improvements we experienced when the task was completed as a team.



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Here are some ways to practice teamwork at home:

- Model working together at home-plan and then prepare a meal together
- Assign everyone a chore to help the household work together
- Encourage your kids to participate in after school activities such as a sports team, scouts, or dance
- Play games, like Pictionary or any other game that has teams
- Build things together that foster working together, like completing a puzzle or playing with Legos



Mardi Gras Safety



We wish you and your family a fun and safe Mardi Gras. Here are some tips and reminders to help you enjoy the parades!

Do:

- ❖ Always keep track of your children! Know where they are and what they are doing at all times. Decide on a meeting place before the parade in case you become separated. Tell children to ask a uniformed police officer for help, NOT a stranger!
- ❖ Be mindful of choking or suffocation hazards with beads, small throws and plastic bags.
- ❖ Be extra careful while walking near parades or traffic. Hold your child's hand! Always cross at a corner and watch for cars or other vehicles at all times.
- ❖ Clear the path for bands and other marching groups as they go by.
- ❖ Be careful of beads being thrown from the floats in the parade. During the day, sunglasses can protect your eyes from the sun as well as the throws.
- ❖ Dress appropriately for the weather and use sunscreen! Small children may become ill due to the weather.
- ❖ Keep your pets at home where they are safe!



Don't:

- ❖ Don't run in between or chase floats or cars for beads or throws.
- ❖ Never reach under a float to grab a bead or doubloon. No trinket is worth a life!
- ❖ Never grab onto a float. The crowd may push you into or under the float!
- ❖ Don't climb on or over barricades; they're there to protect you.
- ❖ Don't assume that the traffic will stop for you -- be careful and aware! Remember that children should always be secured in an appropriate car or booster seat while riding in a car.

Your School Nurse,
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Important Reminder:
Make sure your child stays up to date on
all state-mandated immunizations.

3rd Grade

3rd grade students have been working hard on their Because of Winn Dixie Unit. Students have been preparing for their upcoming Culminating Writing Task. Students are looking forward to their BOWD party where they will eat some Egg Salad Sandwiches and drink Dump Punch. By the end of the month, scholars will begin the Louisiana Purchase Unit.

In math, our students are beginning Module 5. This module will teach students fractions. They will learn about comparing, labeling, and equivalent. Students will use models to help learn how to compare fractions. You can work with your student by allowing them to divide a shape or a number line into equal parts. Continue to work with your student on multiplication fluency. You can use flash cards to work with your student.

In science, we will finish up Module 3 (traits). Students are learning how organisms have traits and how those traits can change as the organism grows and develops. Have some fun with your child and ask them about their traits, such as hair color, eye color, and height.



4th Grade

We are halfway through our year in fourth grade! In math, we are learning all about fractions: adding, subtracting, and making equivalent fractions using multiplication and division. In science, we are investigating how elephants can detect rainstorms over one hundred miles away. We are learning about how animals use their senses and sensory structures to sense information about their environment. In ELA, we have been reading *Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief*. We have been tracking his quest and the events contributing to his becoming a hero. In Social Studies, we are learning about the Ancient Near East. We have been reading about Ancient Mesopotamia and why it is considered a cradle of civilization.

Math Tech Tips

For extra help in math, students should utilize the lesson on Zearn.org. Students can log in on their chromebooks at home. Students' teachers have them placed in the mission that is most beneficial based on current modules in Eureka Math Squared. Students who need to brush up on prerequisite skills can access lessons in previous grade levels.

ESE Winners 2023 - 2024 Young Author's Contest

3rd Grade - Fiction

1st place: The Missing Dog, by Annabelle Risher

2nd place: The Family Walk, by Emery McVay

3rd place: Tom the Turkey, by Hazel Ferris

3rd Grade - Nonfiction

1st place: All About Planets, by Jaisyn Alexander

2nd place: The Story of Messi, by Ethan Saravia

3rd place: My Trip to Disney World, by Harper Cook

Honorable Mention: What Christmas is About, by Randie Hemple-Billodeau

3rd Grade - Poetry

1st place: Love and Hate, by Wesson Mumbower

4th Grade - Fiction

1st place: Elf on the Shelf, by Aiden Kidd

2nd place: The Lonely Dragon, by Emory Stone

3rd place: Little Snowman, by Alexis Clesi

4th Grade - Nonfiction

1st place: A Girl Named Chloe, by Chloe Doucet

2nd place: ESE, by Clara Poche

3rd place: About Me, by Noah Patella

4th Grade - Poetry

1st place: Grateful, by Yvette Niceley

2nd place: Christmas, by Aiden Kidd

3rd place: Dandelions, by Mekaila Orgeron

5th Grade - Fiction

1st place: Satyr Land, by Kaylee Gonzales

2nd place: Butterfly Wings, by Kaylee Gonzales

3rd place: Case of the Missing Puppy, by Liliana Rodriguez

5th Grade - Nonfiction

1st place: The Difference Martin Luther King, Jr. Made to the World, by Kaylee Gonzales

2nd place: The Invention of the Light Bulb, by Micah Taliancich

3rd place: The Day That Changed My Life, by Ryleigh Adams

5th Grade - Poetry

1st place: Halloween Night, by Kaylee Gonzales



January Students of the Month

Janel Nabor, Kallie Trosclair, Scarlett Dauzat, Amina Smith, Zoe Martin,
Mason Mascarella, Chloe Doucet, Jackson Andrews, Scarlett Day,
Felix Lee, Joseph Deslatte, Emery Brown, Aniston Ripple,
Kallie Williams, Benjamin Muller, Hudson Simon,
Kayla Parks, Riley Rusich, Aiden Robertson

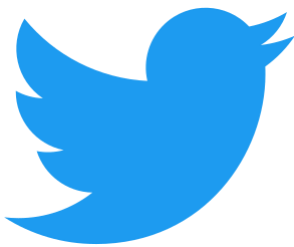
4H Meeting Dates & Time

February 28
March 27

All meetings are from
3:05-4:05 PM

Please pick up students
promptly at 4:05 PM

Ethel Schoeffner Elementary is excited
to stay connected with families through social media!



Follow us on:

Twitter
[@ESE_Sharks](#)

Instagram
[@Schoeffnerelementary](#)



You can see our Sharks in action!

On January 11th, 2024, ESE 4th and 5th grade students participated in the Saint's Play Football Experience. The event started off with Saint's representatives talking about the importance of playing for 60 minutes every day. Then, students got to participate in various stations to have fun while testing their skills.

THANK YOU to the Saints and all our volunteers for making this event a success!



February 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Peace • Love • MARDI GRAS</p>				<p>1</p> <p>Early Dismissal 11:55 AM Conferences 12:30 PM-6:00 PM</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Early Dismissal 11:55 AM Conferences 12:30 PM-3:00 PM</p>	3
4	5	6	7	<p>8</p> <p>4th & 5th Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>-----</p> <p>3rd Quarter Progress Reports Go Home</p>	<p>9</p> <p>ESE Welcomes African Storyteller Donald Lewis</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Krewe of Finley Parade @ 1:15 PM</p>	10
11	12	<p>13</p> 	14	15	16	17
<p>MARDI GRAS HOLIDAY</p>						
18		<p>20</p> <p>Student of the Month Luncheons</p>	21	<p>22</p> <p>4th & 5th Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Concessions @ lunch maximum \$2</p>	24
25	<p>26</p> <p>3rd Grade Choir Y'all Fest</p>	<p>27</p> <p>4th & 5th Choir Y'all Fest</p>	<p>28</p> <p>4H Meeting 3:05-4:05 PM</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>1</p> <p>March</p> <p>5th Grade Band Y'all Fest</p>	2

Elementary Menus February 2024

ST. CHARLES
PARISH
PUBLIC
SCHOOLS



This institution
is an equal
opportunity
provider. Menus
are subject to
change.

Thursday, February 1

Breakfast

Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Mini Corn Dogs
Baked Beans
Celery & Carrot w/Ranch Dip
Pineapple Tidbits

Friday, February 2

Breakfast

French Toast Sticks
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Bacon Sticks
Marinara Sauce Cup
Green Beans
Fresh Orange Wedges

TRUST YOUR HEART.



Your heart knows WHAT
TIME you eat matters.
Eating a healthy meal
early in the day is
linked to a lower risk of
heart attack, while eating
late at night before bed is
linked to an increased risk.
Listen to your heart!

WELLNESS IS A WAY OF LIFE!

Monday, February 5

Breakfast

Pancakes
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Chicken Alfredo Pasta
Carrots
Broccoli Florets
Peach Slices

Tuesday, February 6

Breakfast

Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Fish Sticks
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Cucumber & Tomato Salad
Apple Wedges

Wednesday, February 7

Breakfast

St. Charles Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Chili
Fritos
Shredded Cheese
Corn, Garden Salad
Banana

Thursday, February 8

Breakfast

Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Chicken Sausage Jambalaya
White Beans
Steamed Carrots
Garlic Bread
Pineapple Tidbits

Friday, February 9

Breakfast

Muffin Choice w/Cheese
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Hamburger w/Cheeseburger
Crispy Potatoes
Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle
Fresh Orange Wedges
Cookie

AVAILABLE DAILY

With all meals

Low Fat White Milk
Fat Free Flavored Milk

Cold Lunch Choice

Monday: Sunbutter Sandwich
Tuesday: Chef Salad
Wednesday: Turkey or Ham Sandwich
Thursday: Charley Box
Friday: Sunbutter Sandwich

2024

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The Chinese New
Year begins with
the new moon on
February 10, 2024
is the Year of the
Dragon.



YEAR OF THE DRAGON



Every complete meal
we serve comes with
your choice of milk!



JUDGE JANE

Jane Ballin was the first black woman to graduate
from Yale Law School and the first black
female judge ever in the United States.
After her appointment in 1931, she
remained the sole black female judge in
the country for 20 years. After serving as
a judge for nearly half a century, she
retired and volunteered as a reading
instructor in New York City public
schools before her death at 98
years old in 2007.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Mardi Gras Holiday Monday, February 12 to Friday, February 16



HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY!

Monday, February 19

Breakfast

Parfait or Breakfast Burrito
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Red Beans w/Steamed Rice
Seasoned Mustard Greens
Steamed Carrots
Cornbread
Peaches

Tuesday, February 20

Breakfast

Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Nachos
Steamed Corn
Refried Beans
Taco Salad Cup, Salsa
Apple Wedges

Wed., February 21

Breakfast

St. Charles Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Shepherd's Pie
Mashed Potatoes
Peas & Carrots
VW Roll
Banana

Thursday, February 22

Breakfast

Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Turkey Stew
Steamed Rice
Carrot Soufflé
Steamed Cabbage
Pineapple Tidbits

Friday, February 23

Breakfast

Fresh Donut
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Cheese Pizza
Marinara Sauce
Garden Salad, Green Beans
Fruit of the Month
Brownie w/Icing

NUTRITION 1000

Winter is the season when the fresh
orange crop is at its juicy peak -- and
that's also when we can really use the
color, flavor, and aroma of fresh
oranges, tangerines, and clementines.
Oranges (mainly in juice form) are
easily the primary source of vitamin
C for Americans, but choose
whole fresh oranges for a
good shot of fiber, too.

A QUICK BITE FOR PARENTS

Monday, February 26

Breakfast

Cheesy Grits
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Chicken Tenders
Waffles w/Syrup
Green Beans
Carrots
Applesauce

Tuesday, February 27

Breakfast

Chicken Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Orange Chicken
Fried Rice
Broccoli Florets
Asian Chopped Salad
Tropical Fruit

Wed., February 28

Breakfast

St. Charles Cinnamon Roll
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Chicken Sausage Gumbo
Steamed Rice
Potato Salad
Garden Salad, Crackers
Banana

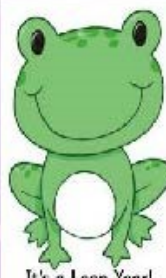
Thursday, February 29

Breakfast

Sausage Biscuit
Cereal w/Graham Crackers
Yogurt w/Tiger Bites
Fruit or Juice Choice

Lunch

Spaghetti & Meat sauce
Peas
Italian Salad
Garlic Bread
Pineapples



It's a Leap Year!

Eloo Powder?

Many folks use Eloo powder to clean around their
pool, but is it safe? Here's a simple way to tell. Put these on three
steps you can help yourself and others during the season.



1. Wash your hands thoroughly.
2. Cover up when you clean or apply.
3. If you do get sick, stay home.