Principal’s Message

I hope all of you enjoyed a relaxing spring break. We all benefit from some time away to rejuvenate and spend time with family and friends. We are entering the end-of-level testing window. This is an opportunity for students to “show what they know” and to celebrate their learning. The testing window opens on April 8th and runs through May 31st. If you plan to have your student out of school during the testing window, please let your child’s teacher know. We will plan around their time away from school and arrange for him/her to complete their assessments. It is also important to get your child to school on time so that they may participate in activities with their class.

Teacher requests for next year are due via email to Ms. Reynolds by May 1st. We are not always able to honor those requests, but your input is certainly considered in the process of creating balanced class rosters.

The snow make-up day will be on Friday, May 24th. Thursday, May 23rd will be a full day of school followed by a half day on Friday.

Just a reminder about the upcoming Emerson Arts Festival. This event will take place on April 18th from 5:00-8:00 p.m., with the talent show from 6:00-7:00 in the auditorium. There will be art activities, food, the talent show, and a silent auction. Your support of the Arts Festival funds the art program at Emerson. This is a fun community event that highlights the amazing art and talents of Emerson students. I look forward to seeing all of you there!
- Ms. Reynolds

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Calendar

April
10 – SCC meeting 5:30
18 – Arts Festival and Talent show
25 – short day schedule
26 – no school
29 – DIBELS testing

May
1 – PTA meeting 6:30
3 – RICO’s Friday
6 – 10th Teacher Appreciation Week
23 – PTA school carnival
24 – normal 1/2-day schedule
27 – Memorial day no school

June
4 – Field Day
4 – 6th grade promotion
5 – Last day of school 1/2-day schedule

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6th – 10th. During this week, PTA will decorate the doors in the school and plan a few special treats for the faculty and staff to show our awesome Emerson team how much we appreciate all of their hard work. We also encourage you as parents to be thoughtful this week. PTA will have sign-ups for our activities, and we also hope you will reach out to other parents in your class to see how you would like to celebrate your unique teacher this week. Teachers love to receive small tokens of appreciation and/or letters of thanks from their students and parents.
The PTA is hosting a Bake Sale at Art Night next Thursday from 5:00pm - 8:00pm to help raise money for our art program. Please click on the link below to sign up to bring bake sale items and/or to work a 30-min shift during the event. Thank you for your help!  

Poetry and Popcorn

Last month, sixth graders in Ms. Feller's class celebrated the completion of a unit with a Popcorn and Poetry event with their parents. Students recited a poem by a notable poet and a poem that they wrote themselves. They also shared a hard-bound book they created with all of their poetry as well as a biography they wrote about their selected poet. Beautiful abstract art was also shown to parents, as students created an art piece to represent the line and mood of their memorized poem.
Hello from the garden!

Thank you to everyone who came to the Spring Garden Cleanup in March! We were able to get everything on our list of projects done, and the garden is looking great! And thank you, too, to all of the students who answered the March Garden Mystery Question: Jameson, Mae, Anders, Eloise and Charlotte from Room 4, Rowan and Jackson from Room 9, Yareli from Room 10, Addie from Room 11, Caleb and Riley from Room 12, Baron and Ashley from Room 14, Bella from Room 16, Eli B. from Room 17, Frankie, Sydney, Michael and Camille from Room 18, Gideon and Caleb from Room 22, and Aubri from Room 24.

We will have more work days each month for the rest of the growing season, so please mark your calendars! Here’s what we have planned so far: **Saturday, April 20, 2019** (sanding and treating all 22 wooden growing boxes, spreading soil, pulling weeds, and building ADA compliant garden boxes), **Saturday, May 18, 2019** (seed/seedling swap, planting, pulling weeds and tool swap), and **Friday, June 21, 2019** (Solstice Salad Party in the Garden).

Check out the garden on Instagram [@emersongarden1](https://www.instagram.com/emersongarden1) to see what we’re up to! And contact us at [emersongarden@hotmail.com](mailto:emersongarden@hotmail.com) (email is checked every Tuesday). Happy Gardening!

Mark your calendar, too, for a day of **FREE ADMISSION to Red Butte Garden to celebrate Arbor Day on April 26, 2019.** "As Utah's very own arboretum, there's no place better than Red Butte Garden to celebrate Arbor Day! Visit the Garden for a day filled with "tree-rific" fun as you discover the wonderful world of trees. Don’t forget to pick up your FREE tree seedling courtesy of Rocky Mountain Power (while supplies last). Thanks to funding in part by Salt Lake County Zoo, Arts, and Parks Program (ZAP) Arbor Day is a ZAP Free Day! Enjoy free Garden admission all day."