

# EAGLE NEWS

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Lost Creek Elementary / 402-563-7045

## Dates to Remember

- Nov. 2** – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends  
**Nov. 3** – No School  
**Nov. 6** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Begins  
**Nov. 7** – Report Cards sent home  
**Nov. 8** – Early Dismissal 2:15  
**Nov. 14** – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Music Concert 7 p.m.  
**Nov. 15** – Early Dismissal 2:15  
**Nov. 23 & 24** – Thanksgiving Break, No School  
**Nov. 28** – PTO Runza Night 5-8 p.m.  
**Nov. 29** – Early Dismissal 2:15  
**Dec. 6** - Early Dismissal 2:15  
**Dec. 12** - PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
**Dec. 13** - Early Dismissal 2:15 p.m.  
**Dec. 19** – PTO Runza Night 5-8 p.m.  
**Dec. 20** - Early Dismissal 2:15 p.m.  
**Dec. 25-Jan. 1, 2013** - Holiday Break No School  
**Jan. 2** - Return to School  
**Jan. 3** - Early Dismissal 2:15 p.m.  
**Jan. 9** – PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
**Jan. 10** - Early Dismissal 2:15 p.m.  
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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last week the Houston Astros won the 2017 World Series for the first time in franchise history. Good for them! Baseball was my favorite sport as a kid, but as an adult the World Series are about the only games I catch. I recall a 1989 classic movie called “Field of Dreams” starring Kevin Costner. “If you build it, he will come.” With these words Iowa farmer Ray Kinsella (Kevin Costner) was inspired by a voice he couldn’t ignore to pursue a dream (building a baseball diamond) he could hardly believe. Field of Dreams was a glowing tribute to all who dare to dream.

Megan Johnson and Michelle Figge, two passionate Lost Creek teachers, have had their dream-come-true, as well. Their desire to build an inclusive playground for all students to enjoy was dedicated several weeks ago. It is a thing of beauty to see the excitement and hear the laughter of children enjoying this facility. Two years of fundraising, planning, and community support have paid big dividends for our city and school. Thank you Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Figge! Thank you Reece Gausman for your Make a Wish contribution! Thank you committee members for your amazing dedication and hard work! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!

November brings two special observances that causes me to reflect on the many blessings we have. The end of this week is our nation’s observance of Veteran’s Day. My dad served in the Army, and one of my son-in-laws is currently an Air Force pilot. I truly appreciate the men and women who were and are serving in the armed forces. I salute one of ours, third grade teacher Mrs. Jennifer Bos, who continues to lead in the National Guard.

Thanksgiving will be here soon. I hope you get to enjoy the holiday with loved ones. Take the opportunity to let the people who have helped you reach your dreams know how much they mean to you.

This week an AdvancED accreditation team will be visiting Columbus Public School and Lost Creek. I hope that they will recognize the great school facilities our local citizens have provided today’s learners. Professional educators combined with a super classified staff are committed to your children and strive to serve with patience and understanding. Whatever their individual dreams may be, we provide a safe and collaborative learning environment to equip our students with the knowledge and skills they’ll need to someday realize their full potential and live their dreams. Thank you Lost Creek parents for entrusting your children, our students, to us. Students, dream big!

*Engaging  
All Learners to  
Achieve Success*



### **Dates to Remember**

**Jan. 12** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Ends

**Jan. 15 & 16** – No school

**Jan. 17** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Begins,  
Report Cards Sent Home

**Jan. 24** - Early Dismissal 2:15  
p.m.

**Jan. 31** - Early Dismissal 2:15  
p.m.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS TO**

Please remember to contact the office the **day before or the day of your child's absence from school**. We become very concerned when a student is absent from school without an explanation from the parent or guardian. There are three ways parents can inform the school if and when their child is absent from school.

1. Send a written note with your child before the day of the absence.
2. Call the office (402-563-7045) after 7:30 a.m. (preferably before 8:30 a.m.) to report your child's absence.
3. E-mail us at: [bosk@discoverers.org](mailto:bosk@discoverers.org)

### **CHRISTMAS VACATION**

Christmas vacation begins Monday, December 25 and ends on Monday, January 1, 2018. Students will return to school on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 with a 3:25 p.m. dismissal.

### **DIBELS TESTING**

The Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) assessment are scheduled from December 4 through December 19.

### **MAP TESTING**

CPS will be giving the Measures of Academic Progress to students in second, third, and fourth grades beginning on Monday, December 4 through January 9. We assess math and reading.

### **LOST CREEK PTO NEWS**

We wanted to let you know that the school continues to collect the following items to earn money and equipment for Lost Creek Elementary:

Box Tops For Education, Best Choice UPC's, Super Saver Register Receipts.

Please continue to help your school by clipping, saving, and turning the items listed above into the Lost Creek Office, where the collection bins are now stored. We make an attempt to count and total these items up on a weekly basis. You can help by submitting these items regularly.

Thank you for supporting the Eilene Cookie Dough fundraiser. Watch for upcoming Runza Nights. The proceeds from these events go towards student field trips, live music and theater experiences, the purchase of recess equipment and support for staff.

Lost Creek PTO

## PTO MEETINGS

The PTO meetings are scheduled on Tuesdays, November 21, December 12, and January 9. These meetings will be held in the Library, at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend!

## FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

The library media staff would like to say thanks to the many people who visited the Scholastic Book Fair during Parent-Teacher Conferences. We were happy with the results of the Book Fair! Your children were able to get new books for home, and the school earned close to \$1000 for purchases in the Scholastic Catalog. The teachers were very appreciative of those who purchased books for their classrooms.

Ms. Bergin and Mrs. Miller, Media Center Staff



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