



Mustang Messenger

Evergreen Elementary

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A Note From your Principals

Happy Summer!

What a great time of year. Kids, teachers, and our families alike have worked so hard all school year; it's nice to take some time to rest, relax, and refresh.

Although Mrs. Montecucco and I are in the office most days throughout the summer, our schedules are lite and slower-paced. We do have plans for a National Principals Conference that happens to be right here in Spokane this year. And we have some hiring to do as well. We'll also stay busy with some school-type stuff.

But believe me, we'll find time to recharge. I'll do some running, kayaking, and surely catch a few baseball games. Mrs. Montecucco will hit the links and get in some cabin time with her family.

Don't take the whole summer off, however. Practice those math facts and do some reading. Have the kids write a letter or two to grandparents, maybe, or a postcard. Possibly learn a little something about an unfamiliar topic.

Enjoy the sunny skies and warm weather, and we'll update you in a month or so.

All the best,

Mike Danford, Evergreen Principal
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Summer Maintenance

While the kiddos and staff are out for the summer, our custodial crew and maintenance department are busy taking care of our school.

Mr. Ray and Mr. James have been busy already cleaning rooms, waxing tile floors, and helping a few teachers move classrooms. Rugs need extracting, sinks need sparkling, and restrooms need scrubbing.

There will be no deep cleaning of the gym and cafeteria floors this year.

We should be getting a little work done outdoors too, namely the trimming of shrubs and the mowing of lawns.

We'll spruce up and be ready for fall.

Mark Your Calendars

July

The school office will be closed for the entire month of July.

Although we are hosting a summer program on Thursdays throughout the summer, we will not be have "Summer Reading" as in summers past.

August

The office will officially open up for the new school year on Tuesday, August 20.

Ice Cream Social: Thursday, August 29, 5:30

Mr. Danford's Favorite Books for Summertime Reading

I'm reading *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio, and I'm loving it, but what other books are out there and come recommended? Well, here you go...

I know for starters that you can't go wrong with books by Mo Willems or David Shannon. Two of my favorite authors of books for the littles.

For those a bit older, try Jack and Annie books, as my kids and I used to call them. Most know The Magic Tree House series.

You can never go wrong with Roald Dahl either: *James and the Giant Peach*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and *The BFG* are great. *Esio Trot* is a little gem most haven't read by Roald Dahl.

Try *Holes*, *Esperanza Rising*, *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, or *Hatchet* for the older ones. I hear *Fish in a Tree* is awesome. That's on my to-read list.



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Register for Kindergarten

We're filling up! If you know of a friend or family in the Evergreen attendance area with a little of Kindergarten age, remind them to register their kiddo.

Over the summer, folks can always register online or at the Mead School District office.

New Hires

It has only been a couple of weeks since school let out, but we have hired two great folks to replace Mr. Sherwin and Mrs. Greenman in their retirement.

Ciarra Workman will be joining our 5th Grade team. She comes from Northwood Middle School.

Klay McPeck will be joining our 4th Grade team. Klay has 11 year's teaching experience with most of those years in the Las Vegas area.

We are so lucky to have these new teachers.

We're still looking for our new PE teacher. Mrs. Wenkheimer will be moving to the 6th Grade Center next year.

