

A R E N A E L E M E N T A R Y S C H O O L

MARCH 2023



THE BEACON

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Mark Your Calendar!

March 1 Read Across America

March 2 Dr. Seuss's Birthday

March 3 Science/STEM Fair

March 12 Daylight Saving-Spring Forward!

March 17 3rd Quarter and 2nd Trimester Ends

March 24 School is in Session/Used Storm Day

April 7 Color & Bubble Fun Run Fundraiser

April 10-14 NO SCHOOL Spring Break

April 18 Kindergarten Registration for 2023-24 school year

Literacy Library News

Congratulations to Sebastian from 1st grade, and Jackie from 2nd grade for completing the book club challenge for the month of February! Great job!

The Author of the Month for March is Dr. Seuss, also known as Theodor Seuss Geisel. Dr. Seuss was not only an author known for inventing creatures with fanciful names and writing in rhyme, but also a talented artist. He loved to walk through the zoo and sketch out animals. His first book was "And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street" and his last book was "What Pet Should I Get?"

Select and check out a featured book of the month by Dr. Seuss, or one among the rows of neatly shelved books throughout the library.

Special annual days in March are:

March 1st - Read Across America

March 2nd - Dr. Seuss's birthday - Arena will celebrate his birthday a special Dr. Seuss Day!

Every day is a good time to read a book. Read one yourself or to someone who will listen.

Arena Science & Engineering Fair on March 3rd

Our local science and engineering fair is Friday, March 3rd, 2023 in the Multi-Purpose Room at Arena Elementary School. The fair is open to the public on Friday from 3:30-6:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

For grades 3rd-8th, First, Second, and Third place winners in each category and section of our local science fair will also be eligible to display their projects and compete for ribbons/medals at the Mendocino County Science Fair, which will be held on March 18th, 2023 in Ukiah.

Judges will be looking at the amount of student involvement and effort in a project. A science journal should accompany each project.

Come check out all the hard work our students put into these amazing projects! Congratulations to all our science and engineering participants!





Principal's Letter

Welcome to March Arena Families

Well, Mother Nature has certainly blessed us with some interesting weather patterns and hazardous road conditions. On these stormy days, it is a great time to enjoy some indoor activities. Reading interesting books, writing stories, playing board games or cooking are all great ways to get children off of electronic devices and engaged in the world.

Speaking of electronic devices, remember that cell phones are not allowed to be used during school hours. They must remain in the student's backpack at all times. Parents, please refrain from texting or messaging your child during instructional time. It is a complete distraction for not only the student, but the entire class as well. If you need to communicate with your child, please contact the school office at 707-882-2131 and leave a message with either Bernie, Chela or myself. Your message will be delivered, in a non-disruptive manner, to the classroom. We really appreciate your support in this.

We are just over the mid-year point, and we are seeing great progress and growth in the students. The most significant contributing factor to social emotional wellbeing and academic success for our children is attendance. Send your children to school every day. They thrive in an environment where learning, friendship and belonging take place.

Remember that on Sunday, March 12th, we will once again be on Daylight Savings time so you will have to adjust your clocks.

Finally, thank you for all of your support. As a team, we create a place where children feel safe, cared for, supported and are encouraged to chase their dreams.

Be well and remember to be kind to one another.

Michelle Egger
Principal



February Treasure Chest Winners and Pirate Pride Recipients

These students are being recognized for showing great respect, responsibility, and safety at school during the months of February 2023. Congratulations! Around of applause for the following students:

Treasure Chest Recipients:

Kindergarten: Sophia and Adrian
 First Grade: Esteban & Ashley
 Second Grade: Uriel
 Third Grade: Michael
 Fourth Grade: Kimi
 Fifth Grade: Gracie

Pirate Pride Student of the Week:

Kindergarten: Dante & Dakota
 First Grade: Paris & Rogelio
 Second Grade: Tres
 Third Grade: Naya
 Fourth Grade: Adam
 Fifth Grade: Janitsa
 Sixth Grade: Kayley
 Seventh Grade: Diana
 Eighth Grade: Yasmin



2023-24 Kindergarten Enrollment

Arena Elementary School 2023-2024 Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten Registration Day is Tuesday, April 18th, in the Shelley Aubrey Library

To be eligible to enroll for kindergarten, your child must be 5 years old by or on September 1, 2023,

To be eligible to enroll for transitional kindergarten, your child must turn 5 years old between September 2, 2023-April 2, 2024.

Kindergarten is a one-year program, and Transitional Kindergarten is a two- year program.

Please bring the following documents to enroll:

- Birth Record
- Immunization Record
- School Entry Health Exam form
- Oral Health Assessment Exam form
- Proof of District Residence (current electric or gas utility bill and a photo ID).

Immunizations needed to attend kindergarten or TK are:

- 4 doses of polio (3 doses meet requirement if at least one dose was given on or after the 4th birthday.)
- 5 doses of DTP or DTaP (4 doses meet requirement if at least 1 dose was given on or after the 4th birthday)
- 2 doses of MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) 1 dose may be a measles-only vaccine, both doses given on or after the 1st birthday.
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine
- 2 doses of Varicella or Physician-documented Varicella (chickenpox) disease history or immunity will also meet the requirement.

Contact the school office for more information at 707 882-2131.



Arena Elementary School Blue and Gold Color and Bubble Fun Run Fundraiser

Just a Month away!!

Save the Date! We are planning a student schoolwide Color & Bubble fun run fundraiser on **April 7, 2023**. The Friday before Spring Break. The fun run will be on school campus on a designated course set out for students, with color and bubble stations throughout the course.

We are looking for parent volunteers to assist in the stations on the course which include start and end time & lap keepers, clappers and cheer crew, first aid crew, water & snack crew, all who will disperse bubbles and colored powder stations during the event.

Our goal is to raise funds for class activities and events while having a little fun!

Join the fun by volunteering some time with us! If you are interested, please contact your child's teacher or the school office at 707 882-2131.

Join ParentSquare Our School District Adopts New Communication

Our school district, and school has adopted a new form of school-to-home communication called ParentSquare. Designed to keep parents informed and connect with Arena Elementary. It provides a safe way for school principals, teachers, staff, and parents to: Send and receive school and class information, See calendar items. Sign up to volunteer, and much more . . . all in one centralized place!

All district, and school, and classroom information will now be sent to your computer or phone via email and/or text. **Choose one: Arena Union Elementary School District for K-8 notices, OR Arena Elementary School & make a choice between K-5 or 6-8 grades for specific notices.**

Download the ParentSquare mobile app today!

Send and receive school communications on the go. Stay involved with your student's learning and activities at school. From anywhere.





MARCH 2023
ARENA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

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<p>Daily USDA Child Nutrition Guidelines Reimbursable Meal will include: 1c Milk, 1% or nonfat. 1C fruit 1 C Vegetables 2oz Meat – minimum (9-10 oz. meat/week) 2oz grain – minimum (8-9 oz. grain/week)</p>		<p>1 SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN 2oz Fried Rice 3/4c Mixed Veggies 1c Fresh Fruit 1c Nonfat or 1% milk</p>	<p>2 HAMBURGER WW Bun 2oz French fries 3/4c Cole slaw 1c Apple slices 1 cp 1%no fat milk</p>	<p>3 SALAMI & Cheese 20z Ww bread 2oz lettuce+tomato 1/8 Garden salad 1cp sun chips 1oz banana 1cp 1% or nonfat milk</p>
<p>6 HOT DOG ww bun 2oz jicama sticks 1 cp Ranch Beans 3oz orange slices 1cp 1% or non-fat milk</p>	<p>7 CHICKEN nuggets 4oz oven fries 1/2 coleslaw 1cp Mixed Fruit 1c 1% or nonfat milk</p>	<p>8 TURKEY Sandwich 2oz ww bread 2oz lettuce+tomato 1/8c carrot sticks 3/4c kettle chips 1oz Melon Slices 1cp</p>	<p>9 PIZZA STICK 2oz celery sticks 3/4c ranch dressing 2z kettle chips 1oz Apple wedges 1c 1% or non-fat</p>	<p>10 PBJ SANDWICH 2oz ww Bread 2oz Sun chips 1oz Banana 1cp Carrot sticks 3/4c 1% or no fat milk</p>
<p>13 Beef Taquito 2oz Spanish rice 3/4 c Corn salad 1c Cherry toms 1c Fruit Cup 3/4c 1% or nonfat milk</p>	<p>14 BBQ CHICKEN Drum sticks 2oz baked beans 1/2c Garden salad 3/4c orange slices 3/4c corn muffin 2oz 1% or no fat milk</p>	<p>15 HAM+CHEESE SANDWICH 3oz ww bread 2oz lettuce+tomato 1/8c cole slaw 1cp kettle chips 1oz fresh apple 1cp 1% or nonfat milk</p>	<p>16 HAMBURGER 2oz ww bun 2oz Veggie stks 1c French fries 3oz sliced peaches 1c 1% or nonfat milk</p>	<p>17 CHEESE PIZZA 4oz Spinach salad 1cp cantaloupe 1 cp jello w/fruit 1/2c 1% or nonfat milk</p>
<p>20 Hot Dog 3oz ww bun 2oz Tator Tots 3oz Veggie Sticks 1cp Apple Wedge 1c 1%or no fat Milk</p>	<p>21 Turkey Sand 2oz Let & tom 1/8c Kettle chips 1oz Garden salad 1c Banana 1c 1%or no fat milk</p>	<p>22 Bean Burrito 3oz Spanish rice 2oz Jicama sticks 1c Ranch dressing 2oz Mixed fruit 1cp 1%or no fat milk</p>	<p>23 Chicken nuggets 3oz French fries 2oz Green salad 1cp Orange slices 1C 1%or no fat milk</p>	<p>24 P B J Sandwich 2oz ww bread 2oz Dorito Chips 1oz Celery sticks 1c Orange Slices 1 cp 1% or no fat Milk</p>
<p>27 CHICKEN Pattie 2z ww bun 2oz lett&toms 1/8 veggie sticks 1cp sun chips 1oz fruit cp 1c 1% or no fat milk</p>	<p>28 BEAN+CHEESE BURRITO 3oz Spanish rice 1/2c garden salad 1c fresh apple 1c 1% or nonfat white milk</p>	<p>29 CORN DOG 2oz on ww bun 2oz baked beans 3/4c veggie sticks 1c fresh apple 1c 1% or nonfat milk</p>	<p>30 TURKEY SANDWICH 3oz Ww bun 2 Oz lettuce+tomato 1/8c veggie sticks 1c Dorito chips 1oz orange slices 1c 1% or nonfat</p>	<p>31 CHEESE PIZZA 3z CEASAR SALAD 1cp fresh apple 1cp 1% or nonfat milk</p>

**MONTH OF MARCH
WORD SEARCH**

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 E I U P R R X I T A A W A T M H R A
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Check vertical, horizontal, and diagonally to find the words!

BEE
 COLD
 FOG
 GREEN
 MARCH
 RAINBOW
 SEEDS
 SPRING
 UMBRELLA

BIRD
 DAFFODIL
 FRAGRANT
 LAMB
 NEST
 RAINY
 SHAMROCK
 STORM
 WARM



BLOOMING
 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
 GARDENS
 LEPRECHAUN
 OUTSIDE
 RUBBER BOOTS
 SHOWERS
 SUNLIGHT
 WINDY

BULB
 FLOWERS
 GRASS
 LIFE
 PUDDLES
 SEASONAL
 SNOW
 TULIPS
 WINTER