

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

January 2025

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

THE BEACON

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Welcome Back and Happy New Year!

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, January 6th
SCHOOL RESUMES!

Tuesday, January 14th
ELAC/DELAC Meeting 4p.m.
PAHS Library

Monday, January 20th
NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Jr.
Observance Holiday

February 14th
Arena STEM/SCIENCE Fair

February 17th-21st
NO SCHOOL-Presidents' Week

Yearbooks On Sale

Students and families have two options to order school yearbooks: Cash or Check at the front office OR buy online with credit/debit card.

To order online go to the Entourage Yearbook link below: https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/YearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook_id=57845

November 23, 2024 through February 14, 2025
\$30.00 Online purchase
\$30.00 with student ID (in office only)
\$35.00 without a Student ID Card (in office only)

February 16- May 24, 2025
• \$35.00 and no other discount will apply.

Point Arena Skate Night

Mendocino Coast Recreation and Park District (MCRPD) will host skate nights in the evenings at Arena Elementary School Multipurpose room from 5:30-7:00p.m on these dates:
Friday, January 17th
Wednesday, January 22nd
Wednesday, January 29th

Bring your friends and skate! The fee is \$8.00 with your own skates and \$10.00 to rent skates.

For more information, please contact MCRPD at 707-409-0760
www.mendocoastrec.org

Principal's Letter

1/6/2025

Dear Arena Parents, Guardians and Students:

Happy New Year!! I would like to welcome you all back to school. I look forward to having an exciting year filled with a lot of positive learning and growing. I hope you all had a very restful and healthy Winter Break and spent quality time with family and friends.

In this new year, here at Arena Elementary, we will continue the focus on student success. Attendance, completion of classroom assignments, homework and being safe, respectful and responsible humans are the fundamentals of strong individual skills. It is our mission to develop solid student habits that will carry forward into the future.

Most importantly, this is the time of year when student learning is really on a roll! They have adjusted to school routines and expectations. The minds of our young people are, now more than ever, really open to learning experiences. Math facts are becoming easier and reading fluency, comprehension and automaticity skills are improving. It is very important to continue practicing skills and strategies that have been learned at school with your child/children at home. Read to them, have them create and write their own stories to share with you, play math games, make learning life skills fun and I guarantee that you will see strong positive growth in not only student learning, but in self-esteem as well.

Here's to a successful year.

Take care of yourselves and be kind to one another.

Michelle Egger
Principal
Arena Elementary

Student ID Cards for Sale

Student picture identification cards are available to purchase for grades preschool through 8th grade. The cost is \$7.00 each. Come to the school office and purchase yours today!

Arena Middle School Basketball Game Schedule

Wednesday	1/15	Anderson Valley	Away 4:00/6:00, 5:00/7:00
Saturday	1/18	Covelo "GIRLS A" Tournament	Away TBA
Sunday	1/19	Covelo "BOYS A" Jamboree	Away TBA
Tuesday	1/21	Potter Valley	Home 4:00/6:00, 5:00/7:00
Friday	1/24	Laytonville	Home 4:00/6:00, 5:00/7:00
Fri.-Sat.	1/24-25	Mendocino Co. Classic "BOYS C"	Away TBA
Saturday	1/25	Covelo	Away 1:00/3:00 2:00/4:00
Fri.-Sat.	1/31-2/1	Mendocino Co. Classic "GIRLS A"	Away TBA

Boys Head Coach: Josh Oropeza
Boys Asst. Coach: Ross Woodard

Girls Head Coach: Yvonne Swan
Girls Asst. Coach: Jessika Holguin

Schedule Subject to change 11/15/25

Emergency School Day Procedures

In the event school closes while your child is on campus, the school will follow the protocol below.

An emergency is defined as a day on which students will be dismissed early due to any of the following emergencies:

1. Power outage of at least 90 minutes
2. Flood
3. Fire
4. Earthquake
5. Gas leak
6. Any other health-threatening situation

If the Superintendent declares an emergency the following procedure will be implemented:

1. A *One Call Now/Parent Square* will notify families of School Closure
2. District Office will be responsible to post on Social Media and notify radio stations
3. Buses will take students home
4. All 6 -12th grade bus students will be allowed to get off the bus
5. All PreK-5 grade students must be released to the custody of an adult (18 years or older), or a family member who is at least in 6th grade
6. Any PreK-5 grade student who cannot be left with a responsible adult or appropriate family member will be brought back to school and remain there until a parent picks him/her up

Regarding the Garcia River and flooding

- If the district is notified of the closure of Highway 1 at the Garcia River, the District Superintendent will determine if a "Storm Day/School Closure" for all students is warranted. Parents will be notified of this via a *One Call Now /Parent Square* message, and radio stations will also be notified. A notice will be posted on Social Media.

These guidelines ensure a minimum number of problems on an emergency minimum day. Please understand the first priority is the safety of the students.



Arena Elementary Science & Engineering Fair!



February 14, 2024

Arena Elementary Multipurpose Room

Judging will take place in person on February 14, 2025. The Public may browse projects on **Friday after school (3:15-6:00p.m.)** and **Saturday, February 15 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.)**

There will be six sections:

1. 3rd-5th Demonstration
2. 3rd-5th Experiment
3. 6th-8th Demonstration
4. 6th-8th Experiment
5. 6th-8th Engineering
6. 3rd-5th Engineering

o Each entry will be judged on: Originality, Comprehension, Organization, Student Effort/Motivation, and Clarity.

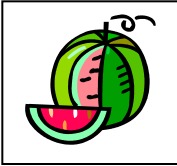
For more information:

Call, text, or email

Cristin Allen

707-495-4669 callen@aesfamily.org





JANUARY 2025 LUNCH MENU

Lunch includes:
8oz fluid
1% or Nonfat MILK

30 WINTER BREAK This institution is an equal opportunity	31 WINTER BREAK	1 New Year's Day WINTER BREAK	2 WINTER BREAK	3 WINTER BREAK
6 SALAMI SANDWICH WW bread let & toms Veggie sticks kettle Chips FRUIT CUP Nonfat MILK 1C	7 CHICKEN NUGGS FRENCH FRIES Garden Salad Banana 1%nonfat milk 1cp	8 HOT DOGS CHILI BEANS CHIPS Mixed Veggies Fresh Apple 1%nonfat milk	9 HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH WW BREAD Veggie sticks Sun Chips Orange slices	10 CHEESE PIZZA Caesar Salad Fresh Fruit Cheese Stks 1%nonfat Milk 1cp
13 HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH WW Bread Lettuce & tomato Celery sticks Chips Orange wedge 1%nonfat MILK 1c	14 CHICKEN SANDWICH let tom WW bun Carrots stks TATOR TOTS Melon wedge 1%nonfat milk	15 BEEF TAQUITOS Refried beans Jicama sticks Orange slices 1% non-Fat Milk 1cp	16 CORN DOGS Oven fries Carrots Banana Nonfat MILK 1c	17 HOT POCKETS Chips Apple Carrots sticks Ranch dressing 1% Nonfat MILK
20 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Inauguration Day	21 MAC&CHEESE Hawaiian roll MIXED VEGGIES Banana 1cp 1%nonfat MILK 1c	22 BEAN BURRITOS SPANISH RICE JICCAMA ORANGE SLICES 1% nonfat MILK 1c	23 CHICKEN NUGGS FRENCH FRIES Carrot Sticks Fresh apple 1%nonfatMILK 1c	24 TUNA or PBJ SANDWICH WW bread Carrot sticks Sun Chip Fruit Salad 1%nonfat MILK 1c
27 TURKEY SANDWICH WW Bread Yogurt cup Veggie sticks Chips APPLE Milk	28 BUTTER NOODLES Garlic Bread Mixed Veggies Fresh fruit 1% nonfat milk	29 CORN DOG BAKED BEANS FRUIT cup CARROT Sticks Corn Chips 1%nonfat milk	30 HAMBURGER ww bun Dorito Chips Cole slaw Orange slices MILK 1C	31 HAMBURGER ww bun Dorito Chips Cole slaw Orange slices MILK 1C

JANUARY 2025 WORD SEARCH

F	W	N	R	M	R	T	X	G	N	D	M	J	W	F
T	A	O	C	E	S	A	L	I	R	P	L	B	R	U
Y	J	I	L	I	T	O	I	E	C	Z	U	O	Q	R
A	B	T	M	R	V	A	T	N	S	I	S	O	C	N
D	L	A	F	E	Y	N	E	E	U	N	C	Y	S	A
R	A	N	S	R	I	R	A	H	E	Q	Y	L	C	C
J	C	R	C	W	O	S	A	E	R	T	A	H	E	E
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Y	E	H	I	E	L	M	L	J	W	N	J	O	I	A
Q	Y	L	V	P	I	N	E	C	O	N	E	T	R	T
P	L	E	F	I	R	E	P	L	A	C	E	S	D	E
Y	H	O	T	C	H	O	C	O	L	A	T	E	W	R
N	O	I	T	A	R	U	G	U	A	N	I	M	Z	Z

Can you find all of the words hidden in the puzzle above?
The words may be backwards, forwards, up, down, or written diagonally.

BLACK ICE

COLD

FIREPLACE

GLOVES

HIBERNATION

INAUGURATION

MLK JR. DAY

SCARF

SOUP

WARM

CHILLY

DRIZZLE

FROST

HAT

HOT CHOCOLATE

JANUARY

PINECONE

SEASON

STORM

WET

COAT

EVERGREENS

FURNACE

HEATER

ICICLES

MIST

RAIN

SNOW

SWEATER

WINTER