

# Avoca Elementary News

February 2023



## Important Dates

February

Week of 13-17 BE KIND WEEK

14 HALF DAY - Noon dismissal

17-20 NO SCHOOL - Mid-Winter Break

21 - March 3 Spring Spirit Wear Sale

21 Vision Screening

22 Hearing Screening

22 Kindergarten Parent Meeting 6 p.m.

March

**3 HALF DAY - Noon dismissal (K-5 only)**

8 PTO Meeting 9 a.m.

8 Hearing Re-screening

9 Kindergarten Round Up

10 Kindergarten Round Up

10 Popcorn Sale

15 HALF DAY

20 FLOWER SALE BEGINS

27-31 SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL




## February Lunch Menu

# We're Serving Up HAPPY & HEALTHY

Student Lunch Price \$2.25 Reduced \$1.40

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All A Carte Snack .60 Adult Lunch: \$5.25 All A Cart Milk \$.60

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>30</b> <b>Cheesy Pizza</b> Garden Salad Baby Carrots Juicy Pears Fresh Fruit	<b>31</b> <b>Bosco Sticks</b> Seasoned Corn Rosie Applesauce Celery Stick & Ranch Baby Carrots <b>BIRTHDAY TREAT DAY</b> <b>Mini Ice Cream Sandwich</b>	<b>1</b> <b>Hot Dog Lunch</b> Bubbly Baked Beans Banana Fresh Broccoli Fresh Garden Salad	<b>2</b> <b>Mini Corn Dogs</b> <b>Seasoned Carrots</b> <b>Mixed Fruit</b> <b>Fresh Sliced Cucumbers</b> 	<b>3</b> <b>Mini Pancakes</b> <b>With Sausage</b> Warm Cinnamon Apple Slices Fresh Garden Salad Cherry Tomatoes Fresh Fruit
<b>6</b> <b>French Bread Pizza</b> Mixed Veggie Rosy Applesauce Peaches Fresh Veggie	<b>7</b> <b>Cheese Quesadilla</b> Sour Cream & Salsa Seasoned Refried Beans Bell Pepper Strips Mandarin Oranges	<b>8</b> <b>Spaghetti with Meat Sauce</b> Breadstick Seasoned Corn Pineapple Tidbits Fresh Cherry Tomatoes Fresh Fruit	<b>9</b> <b>Corn Dog</b> Oven Baked Fries Side Kick Frozen Treat Grapes Celery Stick w/Ranch <b>"LUCKY TRAY DAY"</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Chicken Tenders/Roll</b> Fresh Sliced Cucumber and Cauliflower w/Ranch Assorted Fresh Fruits
<b>13</b> <b>Grilled Cheese and Tomato Soup</b> Chilled Pineapple Baby Carrots	<b>14</b> <b>1/2 day</b> <b>NO Second Choice</b> <b>Stuffed Crust Pizza</b> Corn Garden Salad Fresh Fruit Bell Pepper Strips	<b>15</b> <b>Macaroni &amp; Cheese Please</b> Dinner Roll Seasoned Green Beans Fresh Fruit Grape Tomatoes	<b>16</b> <b>Chicken Nuggets And a Roll</b> Steamed Broccoli Garden Fresh Salad Chilled Fruit Cocktail	<b>17</b> 
<b>20</b> 	<b>21</b> <b>Popcorn Chicken</b> <b>Mashed Potatoes &amp; Corn</b> Sliced Cucumbers Peaches Fresh Fruit	<b>22</b> <b>Breakfast</b> Scrambled Eggs Sausage Mini WG biscuit Tater Tots Orange Juice Apple Slices Baby Carrots	<b>23</b> <b>Hot Ham &amp; Cheese Bagel</b> Steamed Seasoned Broccoli Celery Stick w/Ranch Fruit Cup	<b>24</b> <b>Chicken Drumstick</b> Smiles Flaky Biscuit Warm Cinnamon Apples Sliced Cucumbers w/Ranch Fresh Fruit
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice
<b>Crispy Chicken Patty On a Bun</b>	<b>Mixed Berry Parfait</b>	<b>Chicken Nuggets And a Roll</b>	<b>Cheese Filled Bosco Sticks</b>	<b>Sun Butter &amp; Jelly Uncrustable Sandwich</b>

Questions or Comments? Please contact Joanne Faille @ 810-387-4542 or [jfaille@vpsd.us](mailto:jfaille@vpsd.us) [Menu](#) Subject To Change

Schedule your child's appointment for Kindergarten Round Up

Meet our teachers & staff

Learn about transportation services

Learn how to help your child prepare for kindergarten

Get your enrollment paperwork for 2023-24 Kindergarten

Avoca Elementary School

# Kindergarten Parent Orientation

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 6:00 p.m.



Parents of children who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2023 and enrolling in 2023-2024 kindergarten are encouraged to attend.

8751 Willow Street, Avoca, MI 48006 810-387-3231 ext. 2221 Please call if you would like more information

## Congratulations Mr. Reid WSAQ Teacher of the Month

Mr. Reid was nominated by one of his students for the WSAQ Teacher of the Month contest, and was chosen for the month of February. Mr. Reid was awarded a \$200 cash prize and his classroom was treated with a visit from radio personality Matt Markum who brought pizza to celebrate. Congratulations on this much deserved honor Mr. Reid!

## Be Kind Week February 13 - 17

## Let's Celebrate Being Kind!

February 13th – February 17th

We are promoting special activities this week to encourage students to “Be Kind!” We invite the special adults in their lives (teachers, parents, *everyone!*) to promote kindness, helpfulness, and friendship. Children learn not only by what they hear, but by what they see.

Please encourage your children to *Be Kind* – this week and always!

**As a special activity, if you can, join us in donating canned goods to our local food pantry. Donations will be accepted at school all week!**

### Monday

“Can” you think of ways to be kind?  
Wear your favorite thinking cap today!



### Tuesday

Show your heart & dress the part. Today is Valentine's Day!  
Wear red, purple, or pink!



### Wednesday

We've got each other's backs!  
Wear your shirt backwards today!



### Thursday

Yellow is the color of friendship.  
Spread some cheer and wear your yellow gear!



Friday – No school today! Enjoy the start to mid-winter break.



Let the kindness continue at home!

## Top Dog Readers

These Avoca students are Top Dog Readers! Congratulations to Alaina Bower, Emily Olejnik, Addy Goff, Genevieve Ford and Jack Dell! Keep up the great work!





## First Grade News

Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Sutton's class had a fantastic day celebrating the 100th day of school. Activities like "Race to 100", making a tower with 100 cubes, and counting out 100 Fruit Loops made the students and teachers smile all day. The students finished the day by making self-portraits and writing about what they would do when they are 100 years old: making cookies for their grandchildren, knitting, and having a lot of money were some of the responses that they wrote. The students (and teachers!) looked amazing and had a wonderful day.



## Fourth Grade News

4th graders are more than half way through the 2022-2023 school year and working harder than ever. We are proud of the work they do on a daily basis.

Did you know they were reading buddies for Mrs. Sutton and Mrs. Wright's 1st graders? They take their role as readers and mentors seriously, and do an amazing job I might add!

In science they are working with their PLTW kits, working on energy, collisions, and force in motion. Ask your child about supply and demand and they might surprise you, because economics is the topic in Social Studies.

Our reading and writing units are, informational text/writing. 4th graders are researching many topics that interest them, or an area of expertise (How To). There are a range of topics for all types of readers, such as: various animals, sports, famous people, places, and a few "How To's" like hunting, soccer, and caring for a horse. Students are using books and websites to work on their research. They are very excited to research their topics and are learning so much. After a few weeks of drafting we will be moving our research to Google Slides. Stay tuned 😊

## Mr. Clare's Classroom News

The CI classroom has begun doing classroom jobs including sweeping, vacuuming, wiping tables, and learning basic household chores. Through these jobs, students earn money from our "Banker" to spend at the classroom store. Students even add and subtract their money in their own bank registers to keep track of their totals.









# KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

AVOCA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
2023-2024

MARCH 9 & 10, 2023

READINESS ASSESSMENT  
VISION & HEARING ASSESSMENT

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parent meeting on February 22 at 6 p.m.

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September 1, 2023 .

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