



# Spring Has Sprung!

March 23rd: School Community Newsletter

## Thank You for Attending Math Madness!



We want to extend a HUGE thank you to all of our grownups for your attendance and enthusiastic participation in our annual Math Madness Event! Your support and involvement helped make the event a success, and a very special thank you goes to Ms. Ripple, our school's Preschool Instructional Coach, for her hard work!

We hope you enjoyed joining your child for small group math and learning all about our preschool program & Tools of the Mind math curriculum components. Your collaboration and school spirit made this event extra special for our students & we can't wait to do it again next year!

## Math + Play = Powerful Learning!

Here are a few simple and playful ways to bring math into your everyday routines:

- **Pretend Play with a Math Twist.** Set up a pretend store or restaurant! Count items, compare who has more, or “buy” things using small numbers.
- **Make a Collection.** Ask your child to gather a certain number of objects: “Can you find 5 blocks?” Count them together!
- **Move & Count.** Turn on music and dance! When the music stops, call out a number; your child can clap, jump, or stomp that many times.
- **Build & Talk.** While building with blocks or toys, use words like “tall,” “short,” “next to,” and “how many?” to explore math through play.
- **Pattern Play.** Create simple patterns with snacks or toys (cracker–grape–cracker). Ask, “What comes next?”
- **Snack Time Math.** Count, compare, and share food: “You have 3 apple slices and I have 2, who has more?”

- **Simple Charts.** Track the weather or favorite snacks with a quick drawing or chart. It's a fun way to introduce early graphing.

**Remember:** Keep it playful, follow your child's lead, and let them talk about what they're thinking; that's where the learning happens!

## For Your Reference...

Curious to go back and look at all the great things we discussed? Click [HERE](#) to access Ms. Ripple's Math Madness presentation!

## Now We Want to Hear From YOU!

We welcome and appreciate your feedback on the Math Madness parent event held on March 19th and March 20th . Your thoughts help us plan fun, educational, and convenient events for all our families. Thank you for being such an important part of our school community!

*Thank you for your continued partnership and support as we work together to support your child!*

[\\*Cambridge Park Elementary School Math Madness Family Feedback Survey Link](#)

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## Spring Break Begins Friday, 3/27!



Spring break is almost here! Please see below a few reminders about our upcoming spring break:

- Students will have a **4-hour day on Friday, March 27th & dismissal will be at 12:45 PM.** From **Saturday, March 28th through Sunday, April 5th**, school will be **CLOSED** for spring break.
- All students and staff will return for a full day on **Monday, April 6th; arrival will be at 8:35 AM and dismissal will be at 3:00 PM.**

## Speaking of Spring...

We're excited to celebrate our upcoming spring break with an egg hunt hosted by our crossing guard, Mr. Jim tomorrow, **Tuesday, March 24th!**

Each student will have the chance to pick one egg, filled with two Hershey Kisses, as a sweet way to kick off the excitement for our upcoming spring break and hopefully channel the warm, spring weather.



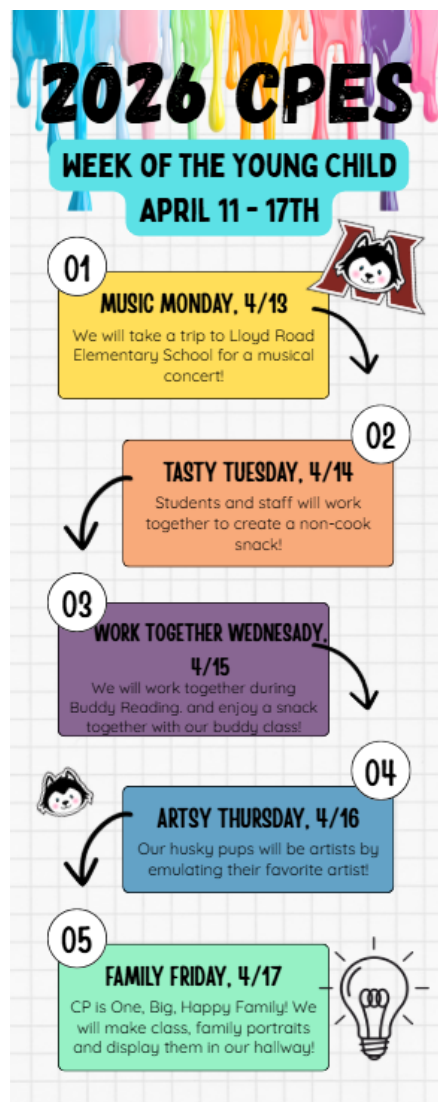
Thank you Mr. Jim for your kindness and always thinking of our husky pups!

# Week of the Young Child

We are excited to celebrate the **Week of the Young Child** here at CPES with a variety of fun and meaningful activities:

- On **Music Monday (4/13)**, we will take a special walk to Lloyd Road School to enjoy a performance by the chorus and band.
- On **Tasty Tuesday (4/14)**, we will make a non-cook treat right in the classroom.
- On **Work Together Wednesday (4/15)**, students will partner with a buddy class for reading and a shared snack, building friendships and teamwork.
- On **Artsy Thursday (4/16)**, we will inspire creativity as children emulate their favorite artists through hands-on projects.
- Finally, we will wrap up the week with **Family Friday (4/17)**, where students will create class family portraits to proudly display in our gymnasium hallways.

We can't wait for all of the fun things we have planned for the Week of the Young Child!



## Upcoming School Assemblies

Assemblies are an important part of our preschool experience, giving students the opportunity to come together as a community, practice listening skills, and enjoy shared learning in a fun and engaging way. These special events help build excitement, spark curiosity, and create lasting memories for our youngest learners!

We are looking forward to two upcoming assemblies this spring:

- **April 8th:** The Grand Falloons is an interactive show that introduces big ideas about caring for our planet in a fun, kid-friendly way, like reducing, reusing, and recycling, saving energy, and taking care of our environment.
- **May 7th:** Mad Science will captivate our preschoolers with exciting experiments and hands-on demonstrations that make science both fun and accessible for all husky pups.

We can't wait to share these joyful experiences with our students and continue building a strong sense of community together!

## On Time & Ready to Shine!



### ATTENDANCE AWARENESS

BY SHOWING OUR STUDENTS THE  
VALUE OF EDUCATION, WE CAN  
INSPIRE THEM TO ATTEND SCHOOL  
AND MAKE THE MOST OUT OF THEIR  
ACADEMIC JOURNEY.



# Save the Date: Preschool Moving Up Ceremonies!

We're excited to celebrate the **amazing learning and growth** of our husky pups this school year! Please save the date for our **Preschool Moving Up Ceremonies**, which will take place:

- **Monday, June 1st**
- **Tuesday, June 2nd**

More specific details about times, etc. and will be shared out in the coming weeks. We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with our husky pup families!



## CPES PTO Corner

The Cambridge Park Elementary School PTO plays a key role in supporting students and staff. By joining, parents can directly contribute to events, fundraisers, and programs that enhance the school experience. The PTO raises funds for classroom supplies, extracurricular activities, and school improvements, helping create a better learning environment for all students.



Please see below important announcements and information from the CPES PTO:

- **Stay Connected:** Follow along on social media!
  - **Instagram:** @ptocambridgepark
  - **Facebook:** Search "Cambridge Park PTO" & request to join the group!
- **Save the Dates:** Thanks to our PTO, there's lots of excitement happening at CPES! Don't forget to check out the flyers below and join us for upcoming events!

*\*If you are interested in joining the PTO, please reach out to PTO President Ms. Dana Bradfield.*

## What's new with the PTO?



**Calling All Carnival Vendors!**



**March Dine-Out @ The Burger Shop!**



**End-of-Year Carnival is HERE**

## Important Dates - March:



- **Monday, March 23rd:** BOE RAM Meeting @ CPES (7:00 PM) *CPES is HIGHLIGHTED!*
- **Friday, March 27th:** 4-Hour Day (Dismissal at 12:45 PM)
- **Friday, March 27th:** CPES Spirit Day (Wear your CPES gear)
- **Saturday, March 28th through Sunday, April 5th:** Spring Break (School is CLOSED)

## Important Dates - April:

- **Saturday, March 28th through Sunday, April 5th:** Spring Break (School is CLOSED)
- **Monday, April 13th:** BOE COW Meeting @ CP (7:00 PM)
- **Monday, April 13th - Friday, April 17th:** Week of the Young Child
- **Tuesday, April 21st & Wednesday, April 22nd:** Field Trip #3
- **Thursday, April 23rd:** Bring Your Child to Work Day
- **Friday, April 24th:** CPES Spirit Day (Wear your CPES gear)
- **Monday, April 27th:** BOE RAM Meeting @ Cliffwood (7:00 PM)



**Dr. P**

Supervisor of Cambridge Park Elementary School

Contact



Dr. Paone-Hurd brings a decade of experience in education to the Cambridge Park Elementary School community. Now, as a proud member of the Cambridge Park team, Dr. Paone-Hurd is excited to bring her knowledge and passion to help every student thrive in our preschool building!

