

# Elementary Morning Announcements April 2024

## Monday, April 1, 2024

Spring Break - No School

## Tuesday, April 2, 2024

[It's A Beautiful Day](#)

Welcome back!

Happy Birthday today to Cyrie A.

Don't forget Thursday, April 4th is our visit from the famous Author Matt de la Pena. We will welcome him with an assembly Thursday morning from 9:45-10:45.

Then Thursday evening, bring your parents back to school for Reading night from 6:00-7:30 to meet Matt de la Pena and participate in fun Reading activities.

The following students were Caught Doing the Right thing in the month of March! Corbin D, Oliver L, Nova J, Liliana M, & Judah B. please report to the office after announcements to claim your reward!\

## Wednesday, April 3, 2024

[On Top Of the World- Imagine Dragons](#)

Happy Birthday today to Audreana C, Aubrey M, Amir N, and Kyran S.

A big birthday shout out to Ms. Rockers today!

Tomorrow is our Reading Night with Author Matt de la Pena from 6:00-7:30. You must bring an adult to share in the fun!

Get ready for today's staff member trivia based on their music background! This staff member's favorite genre of music is R&B, jazz, classical, rap, reggae, rock, All sorts!! Their favorite singers are Mary J Blige & Brian McNight. Their favorite instrument to listen to is the electric guitar "especially when played by Prince". If they could learn anything they want in music class, they would learn dances and songs from all over the world! Email Mrs Gallaher with your answer!

## Thursday, April 4, 2024

[Blackbird- Beyonce](#)

Happy Birthday today to Ms. McDaniel

Today we welcome author Matt de la Pena! It's exciting to meet such an amazing author! Not only do we have an assembly today, but we have an event this evening! Bring an adult tonight to our Reading Night from 6:00-7:30. Matt de la Pena will be here and he will sign his books for you!

Also, Monday, April 8 is the day the solar eclipse will take place. Permission slips to view the event need turned in by Friday if you want to participate.

Monday is also our kick off assembly or IAR!! The assessment is required for all 3-8 grade students in the state of Illinois. This test shows what you know. Please make sure you get appropriate rest and eat a good breakfast everyday before the test. We have dress up days everyday as well. We encourage all students to participate!

Yesterday's mystery musical staff member was Ms. Cooper! Ms. Cooper loves to dance! Ms Emma Carter was the winner of the trivia and chose to give her free choice day to Mrs. Eubanks class!

### **Friday, April 5, 2024**

[I Can See Clearly Now](#)

Happy Birthday today to True A, Merced OT, and Caleb S.

I hope these friends have a great birthday this weekend: Ma Jor L, Nasir E, Jamila H, and Maxton R.

Happy Birthday today to Mrs. Angie Finley this weekend.

A special shout out to all the paraprofessionals. Thank you for all you do for our kids and teachers everyday!

We have a BIG week next week starting IAR testing. Monday we have our kick off assembly!

### **Monday, April 8, 2024**

[Bonnie Tyler - Total Eclipse of the Heart](#)

Happy American Solar Eclipse Day!

Today the Moon's shadow is sweeping from Texas to Maine, as the U.S. witnesses its last total solar eclipse until 2044. This extraordinary astronomical event is plunging locations in the path of totality into darkness for more than four minutes – nearly twice as long as the last American eclipse in 2017. A total eclipse of the sun is an incredible cosmic phenomenon that is rarely seen. If you're lucky enough to be along its path and witness it, please use caution, but enjoy the show. The next total solar eclipse in the United States will take place August 23, 2044.

Viewing a solar eclipse without proper precautions or eye protection can be dangerous to the retina, the light-sensing tissue of the eye, potentially causing permanent blurred vision and/or blind spots. You must keep your glasses on when viewing the eclipse.

Happy Birthday on this historic day to Chi'Quir A, Morgynne M, and Averie V.

Today, we have an assembly to kick off the IAR testing week. This year's theme is "We're Your Biggest Fans."

Tuesday, calling all Music Fans; Rock the Test! Dress up in honor of your favorite musician or rock band!

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024**

Happy Birthday today to King H

Wow! I think I saw Taylor Swift here at school today!

I know you will Rock the test today!

Tomorrow, Sports Fans: Don't sweat the test! Dress up in honor of your favorite sports team. You can wear sweats.

**Wednesday, April 10, 2024**

[ABC- Jackson 5](#)

We have no birthdays today.

Its great to see many sports teams represented today.

Go testing teams today!

Tomorrow, Famous Fans: You are a testing Superstar-Dress up in honor of your favorite celebrity.

Please be aware of your Bus behavior, our hands off policy, and follow PBIS expectations.

**Thursday, April 11, 2024**

[High Hopes- Panic!](#)

We have no birthdays today.

Seriously, there are some famous people in the house today....I have seen Everyone from Elvis to Taylor swift to Spiderman to Ken and Barbie!

I know you are all testing Superstars!

Tomorrow, Weekend fans: Dreaming of your best score: wear you weekend comfies and loungewear.

Also, early dismissal tomorrow at 11:45. No lunch is served tomorrow and if you attend ESP please remember to bring a lunch.

Reflect on the test, do your best!

## **Friday, April 12 2024**

### [Celebrate!](#)

We have no birthdays today but this weekend we have a few. We hope Neveah H, Nova H, Maurice P, Joshua P, Dalylah S, and Dani W. have a great birthdays this weekend. Also, Mrs Rotrishia Epps has a birthday this weekend. We hope it's great!

Today we are celebrating IAR testing being finished!! Everyone did a great job doing their best and staying focused to get all their tests completed. We will have our IAR celebration today! Take this time to relax and celebrate a job well done!

Shout out to Carey Chandler! Thank you for being you and always willing to help and support when needed. Appreciate you!!

Early dismissal today at 11:45.

## **Monday, April 15, 2024**

### [Sunday Best- Surfaces](#)

Happy Birthday today to Jay'lah K.

Today is world ART day!

## **Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

### [Budapest- George Ezra](#)

We have early dismissal tomorrow at 1:45.

## **Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

### [Dynamite-BTS](#)

No Birthday's Today.

We have an early dismissal today at 1:45.

Tomorrow is Spirit Day and Hat Day! Get ready for your teacher's Cheering Before School! Wear your red and black or Belle Valley Gear! Bring a 1.00 to wear your favorite hat! Class Winners win Red Shades or a trip to the Spirit Box!

**Thursday, April 18, 2024**

[Follow the link to the school song!](#)

Happy Birthday today to Jael B. Also, Happy birthday today to Ms. Bevis and Ms Gerstenecker!

Happy Spirit Day! Way to show how much you love Belle Valley!

**Friday, April 19 2024**

[Blue-Eiffel 65](#)

Happy Birthday today to Nova J.s and Logan Mf.

Happy Birthday this weekend to Camden B, Mackenzie C, LaRiyah W, Peyton Bt, Ja'Miya Le, Jordyn L, and Lillie T. Also we hope Ms. Emma Carter has a great birthday this weekend!

Congratulations to our spirit winner Ms. Sanker's class! PRIDE will be around and you can select your prize!

Bus driver's appreciation cards please have your class sign and get them back to Lea Wallace at the end of the day today.

**Monday, April 22, 2024**

[The Beatles - Good Day Sunshine](#)

No birthdays but today is still a special day...It is Earth Day!

Our planet is an amazing place, but it needs our help to thrive! That's why each year on April 22, more than a billion people celebrate Earth Day to protect the planet from things like pollution and deforestation. By taking part in activities like picking up litter and planting trees, we're making our world a happier, healthier place to live.

So this week we will have many activities to celebrate the Earth!

Tomorrow, we will walk and take a wagon to Eckerts. Please remember to wear tennis shoes.

It is time for Earth Day Trivia.

Today's focus is to save water. Saving water is important because rivers and lakes will have more water which keeps the environment healthy. When we save water, we also save the energy it takes to heat water. We can save water by taking a shower instead of a bath and not letting the water run while you brush your teeth.

Discuss this question with your class: What is 1 way to save water?

**Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

[Blue Skies- Willie Nelson](#)

Today's announcement song is Blue Skies by Willie Nelson. I hope we have blue skies for today's walk to Eckerts! The time on the doc is the time the wagon is going to pick you up.

Today is our walk and wagon ride to Eckerts. You will enjoy a piece of fruit! Please make sure to use your manners and be respectful of our friends at Eckerts.

Happy Birthday today to Reid D and Janila L.

Today is bus driver appreciation day! Be sure to thank your bus driver today and everyday for getting you to and from school safely. I also have a special shout out for Bus G. Thank you for picking up trash on your way to the buses yesterday. Your good deed did not go unnoticed!

Did you know that

- In its lifetime, one reusable bag can prevent the use of 600 plastic bags.
- Recycling one can of soda will save enough energy to power a TV for three hours.

It is time for Earth Day Trivia.

Today's topic is reduce, reuse, and recycle. Did you know that when glass and metals are recycled they can be used over and over again to make new products? Unfortunately the same is not true for plastic. Plastic can only be recycled or used again only once or twice and then ends up in landfills. From there it can make its way to lakes, oceans, and rivers and be harmful to animals. You can help by bringing bags into stores to reuse instead of using plastic bags. You can recycle paper, aluminum cans, glass, and plastic. You can reuse containers for projects.

Discuss this question with your class: Which product can only be used once or twice when it is recycled?

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

[I Feel the Earth Move- Carole King](#)

Happy Birthday today to Daniella K. and Kamauri T.

Did you know that

Honeybees are important pollinators for flowers, fruits, and vegetables. They live on stored honey and pollen all winter and cluster into a ball to conserve warmth. All honeybees are social and cooperative insects.

Please make sure you check out the video Mr. Romero and his Dad made about beekeeping.

It is time for Earth Day trivia.

Today's Earth Day focus is to protect pollinators. Have you thanked a pollinator today? Around the world, about 1,000 plants we depend on for food and other products need to be pollinated by animals including melons, berries, apples, bananas, cucumbers. and even coffee. Hummingbirds, butterflies, bats, bees, wasps, birds and other small animals help plants reproduce by transporting pollen. You can protect pollinators by planting native flowers, encouraging adults to not spray chemicals in your yard, and leaving pollinators alone to do their job.

Discuss this question with your class: Why are pollinators important?

### **Thursday, April 25, 2024**

[Over the Rainbow- Israel Kamakawiwo'ole](#)

Happy Birthday today to Nolan S.

Does that lamp really need to be on while the sun is out? Electricity doesn't just happen—it has to be produced from things around us. A lot of times it comes from fossil fuels (such as coal, oil, or natural gas) that contribute to [climate change](#). But electricity can also be made from renewable sources like wind, water, the sun, and even elephant dung! No matter where it's coming from, try conserving electrical energy by using only what you need.

Tomorrow is our Bomber Bash! We have an early dismissal day at 11:45 tomorrow. If you are attending ESP, you must bring a lunch.

It is time for Earth Day trivia.

Today's topic is conserving energy. Saving energy is important because when we use less natural resources like electricity, it helps the environment. Using less energy also saves money. Kids can save energy by turning off lights, closing the refrigerator quickly, unplugging chargers when you aren't using them, and keeping your doors closed when using a heater or air conditioner.

Discuss this question with your class: What is one way you can save energy?

### **Friday, April 26 2024**

[The Weeknd - Blinding Lights](#)

Happy Birthday today to Amelia J. and Chase W. A birthday shout out today to ms. Madison Davis today!

We hope Mirra F, Ara H, Jetthias J, Madysen L, and Kinley S. have a great birthday this weekend!

Did you know that

Researchers estimate roughly 15 billion trees in the world are cut down each year, so help offset that loss by planting a tree of your own. Trees absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen for people to breathe. They also provide shelter and food for animals such as squirrels and owls. Depending on where trees are planted, their shade can even reduce the need for air-conditioning in hotter months. How many more reasons do you need to go green?

Can't wait to see you at the Bomber bash today!

It is an early dismissal day for us all at 11:45.

It is time for Earth Day trivia.

Today's Earth day goal is to save the trees. Can you imagine a world without trees? Trees are an important part of our world. They provide homes to many animals. They provide wood for houses and furniture. They give us paper for school and books. Trees give us food like oranges, apples, pears, peaches, maple syrup, and walnuts. They keep the air clean and our ecosystems healthy. Trees are a primary source of oxygen. They provide shade for our homes. I hope you take the time to hike through a forest, climb a tree, and appreciate their beauty.

\*Discuss this question with your class: What are two things that trees give us?

Shout out to Dezmond, Zoe and Lateesha in 1st grade for always working so hard in reading RTI daily and being supportive friends and classmates to each other! -Ms Carter

### **Monday, April 29, 2024**

Happy Birthday today to Jaiden D.

We only have 3 Mondays after today! This year is flying by!

We have so many fun activities planned for these last few weeks. Field Day, PBIS Rewards, IAR celebration, STAR rewards, Tourist Tuesday, and dress up days! Please remember to follow the PBIS expectations everyday to make sure you can participate in all these events!

### **Tuesday, April 30, 2024**

Happy Birthday today to Noah C, Sophia H, and Lincoln K!