



## February Family Newsletter

### important info

4050 Eastwood Lane  
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#### Principal

Rafiq Vaughn

#### Curriculum & Instruction

##### Specialist

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#### School Counselor

Chrissy Heade

#### Secretary

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### school hours

#### Grades 3 – 5

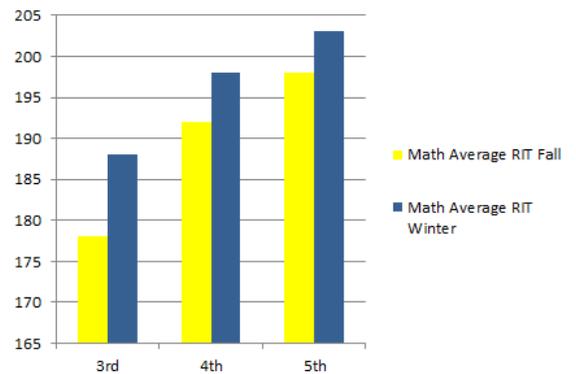
8:15a – 8:45a breakfast  
8:45a classes begin  
3:30p dismissal

### Celebrating Growth

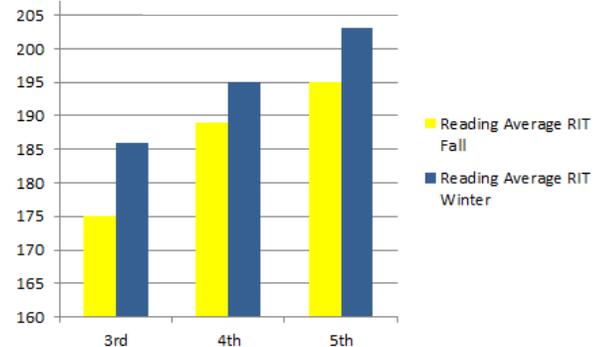
Last month our scholars took The Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment in math and reading. This assessment allows your child's teacher to see where your child's strengths and areas of improvement are as well as, the growth they have made throughout the school year. The charts on the right show each grade level's average scaled score or RIT score from the fall to winter. We are extremely proud of the work that our scholars have accomplished!



Reading Growth



Math Growth



### Creating & Testing Hypotheses

These fifth grade scholars in Mr. Kendal's class pictured below were learning about what forces affect the motion of a rocket. While applying Newton's third law of motion (for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction) they experimented with action-reaction forces.



### Upcoming Events

- Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> – Growth Assemblies
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 9:30 – 10:00
  - 4<sup>th</sup> grade – 10:15 – 10:45
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 2:30 – 3:00
- Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> At-Risk Meetings with Families
- Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> Parent/Teacher Conferences from 4pm-7pm
- Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> – Progress Reports Go Home
- Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> – No School
- Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> – No School

### Bringing the FUN Inside

Now that winter has finally arrived and the temperatures have dropped, we have moved our recess inside. During recess our scholars have access to games, art activities, and computers. Do you have any gently used board games you are not using? If so, we are accepting donations of games for our scholars to use during their recess time. Thank you in advance for your support!



### Building Community Partnerships

Our third grade all boys class has partnered with Boy Scouts of America. Once a week their troop leader visits their classroom to bring wildlife and nature into the core curriculum.



### Learning By Trial and Error

These 3<sup>rd</sup> grade scholars had to estimate the weight of an object in grams and then use a simple balance scale to measure the actual weight. Learning to estimate is a challenging skill, but knowing how allows our scholars to determine the reasonableness of their answer. How often do you use estimation? You might use it when shopping to figure out how much you will spend or you might also use it when traveling to determine about how many miles you might drive or the amount of time it might take to get there.



### Helpful Online Resources

Looking for resources to help your child practice their reading and math skills at home? Check out the links below!

[www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)

[www.i-ready.org](http://www.i-ready.org)

[www.mathplayground.com](http://www.mathplayground.com)

[www.xtramath.org](http://www.xtramath.org)



All of these links can be found on Eastwood's website under "Teacher and Team Pages" > "Eastwood Learning Links."

### Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences are right around the corner! Please make sure to sign-up for a conference time with your child's teacher. Conferences are a great time for parents and teachers to connect about each child's academic progress and social development. It's also a great time for parents to ask any questions they may have. Our conferences are on **Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm.** We look forward to seeing you there!