Good Morning Evergreen Families,

Here are several important items for your attention:

Celebrating World Autism Awareness Day - Wednesday, April 17

Each year on April 2, people from around the globe take time to recognize World Autism Awareness Day. Because April 2 fell on our spring break again this year, we have decided to recognize the day on April 17 instead. Tomorrow, April 17, we are encouraging our staff and students to wear bright-colored or tie-dyed clothing as we celebrate the diverse spectrum of the human mind.

AET Offering Main Street Pub Fundraiser

Main Street Pub and our AET have partnered to offer a restaurant fundraiser on Wednesday, April 17, from 5-9 PM. If you mention the AET/Main Street Pub flyer when you order, the AET will receive 15% of all sales, both dine-in and carry-out. If your schedule allows, please support our AET by enjoying dinner at Main Street Pub on Wednesday night. Our AET is very supportive of our APS staff – including their organization of our Staff Appreciation Days in early May. Thank you, AET!

Be Kind to Your Mind T-Shirts

We have had many requests to reopen the store so that families can purchase "Be Kind to Your Mind" shirts. The online store will be open from now until March 22. Our "Be Kind to Your Mind" shirts will also be worn in the month of May in honor of Mental Health Awareness Month. To purchase a shirt. A flyer is attached that contains additional information.

M-STEP Approaching

Next week, Evergreen's third-grade students will begin participating in Michigan's state assessment, named M-STEP. Our students will take tests in Math and English Language Arts (ELA). The results of the M-STEP are valuable to our staff and administration as we work to continually improve the teaching and learning that happens in our buildings. I have attached a flyer from the M-STEP website that has suggestions on how families can help their students be well-prepared for the tests. Please take a few minutes to look it over and consider ways that you can help.

The Michigan SMILE Program

There is a mobile Dental Program that will be coming to our schools on April 26. 2024. This program offers preventative and restorative care to our students including examinations, cleanings, x-rays, fillings, fluoride treatments, and simple extractions. Most dental insurances, including Medicaid, cover 100% of the services that are provided. If you are interested, please see the flyer link for more information.

PTO Happenings Newsletter - Spring Edition

The PTO has several upcoming activities planned for our students and families. Take a minute to check out their calendar of events in the PTO Happenings Newsletter attached to this email.

Student Activities

AYSO Soccer

AYSO Soccer is gearing up for its spring season, which will run from April 1 - May 25. To find out more about registration and the need for coaches click on this <u>link</u>.

Seaville Swim Club

The Seaville Swim Club is now accepting applications for swim lessons at a member-owned pool in Coopersville. Copies of the flyer are available in both of the Evergreen Offices. For additional information, please check out www.seavilleswimclub.weebly.com.

Respectfully,

Doug Bol, Principal Evergreen Elementary School