Here are a few notes for your attention:

Spontaneous??? And, Looking For a Chance to Get out Tonight???

If this describes you, The AHS Rotary Club is hosting a <u>Parents' Night Out event</u> tonight, February 21 from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm in the Evergreen Elementary cafeteria and gym. If you are interested in getting out of the house to do a little shopping or maybe going out for dinner with that special someone, consider bringing your kids to our Parents' Night Out.

The Rotary Interact Club will accept donations at the check-in table and any money collected will be put towards the materials cost of building a house in El Salvador during the Club's international service project trip. Thank you for your help.

Munch and Mingle Lunch Events

At the end of last year, we received some great feedback from families through our annual Parent Survey. One of the suggestions we heard from families was to find ways to invite parents into our school more often. As a result, our School Leadership Team came up with the idea of inviting family members in for a school lunch with their children. This idea developed into the Munch and Mingle Lunch Events that we have been able to hold during the second half of this school year. We've had a tremendous response from families and are looking forward to a second round of lunch visits for each grade level, beginning in March. We want to thank you for the ways you partner with us in educating our children and for the interest you have in being a part of the Evergreen community. Looking forward to seeing many of you in the cafeteria in the near future!

Third-Grade Marketplace

On Thursday, Feb 27, and Friday, Feb 28, our 3rd-grade students will be running their annual Marketplace event. This is a culminating project for their economics unit and is a great opportunity to teach our students about supply and demand, marketing and sales, and many other business lessons.

For third-grade family members who plan on visiting our Marketplace, we would strongly encourage you to come to the school office on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday to "pre-register" so that you don't get stuck waiting in long lines on the day of the event.

March is Reading Month (MiRM)

March is a great month for a number of reasons, and one of those is the fact that March is Reading Month. We have been fancying up the month of March for a number of years now in celebration of the gifts of reading and books. This coming March will be no exception! Our MiRM team has put together a great calendar for the month which includes a number of fun theme days. <u>Here is the link to our calendar of events</u>. An additional event that you won't find listed on the calendar is an Author Assembly on March 27, sponsored by our Amazing Reading Bus and the PTO. Local author, Aaron Zenz, will be engaging our students in assemblies throughout the day.

Mental Health Committee Rolls Out "Beat the Blahs" Week

During the week of March 3rd-7th, our Mental Health Committee will be organizing "Beat the Blahs" Spirit Week! As winter is near its end, often this is the time of year when the "Blahs" can set in. We plan to beat those blahs by having a week filled with Spirit Days and fun activities that are designed to take care of our students and staff's mental health while emphasizing Evergreen's culture of belonging for all students and staff. Check out this <u>Beat the Blahs</u> page for more information on our Spirit Days.

Upcoming PTO Events

<u>Allendale Schools Day @ GVSU!</u> <u>Saturday, March 1st</u> Women's Game - 1:00 p.m. Men's Game - 3:00 p.m. <u>Tickets</u> are good for both events! Apply Coupon Code <u>APTO</u> to waive all fees and support our PTO! *LMDA Dancers will perform during the Men's Basketball halftime.

Allendale Spirit Night @ Urban Air - Holland!

Thursday, March 13th 4:00-8:00 p.m. Exclusive Spirit Night Pricing: \$30.99 Platinum Attractions \$26.99 Ultimate Attractions \$19.99 Deluxe Attractions Mention Spirit Night and 20% of the proceeds are donated to the PTO!

Allendale Bowling Night @ Hudsonville Lanes

<u>Tuesday, April 29th</u> 6:00-8:00 p.m. \$15/Bowler includes 2 hours of bowling + shoe rental! ★ Order <u>Tickets</u> Today! ★

Parent-Teacher Conferences - March 12 and March 13

On Wednesday, March 12, and Thursday, March 13 the entire district will hold parent-teacher conferences. As in the fall, our K-5 conference times will run from 12:30-3:30 pm and 5:00-8:00 pm. A sign-up letter will go home with your child early next week that includes directions for Virtual Paragon, our online Parent-Teacher conference sign-up tool. We look forward to meeting with you for conferences in a few weeks!

Reminder: Michigan's SMILE Dental Program

Coming in March!! The Michigan SMILE Program. This is a mobile Dental Program that will be coming to our schools on March 19. 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 this flyer for more information.

Reminder: The Little Mermaid Art Contest

Our APS Elementary students (Y5-5) are eligible to enter <u>The Little Mermaid Art Contest!</u> Create an artwork inspired by/or about The Little Mermaid (no larger than 12"x18"). Submit it to your school's art teacher by February 28th. Please include your name, grade, and teacher on the back. Make it to the top 50 and have your artwork on display at Ceglarek Fine Arts Center for the duration of the AHS production of The Little Mermaid! You will be notified by March 1. Questions? Email Mrs. Miller @ milleremi@apsfalcons.net

Reminder: The Little Mermaid Production

Allendale High School will be presenting The Little Mermaid as their spring musical. Performances are on March 6, 7, and 8. Tickets are available at: <u>allendalefinearts.ludus.com</u>