



Lovejoy Elementary

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Lovejoy Pledge - I promise to respect myself, respect others and respect property. I will make it a great day! Go Redbirds!

February

Friday, February 2— Progress Reports Go Home
Friday, February 2 - Groundhog Day
Monday, February 5-PTG Mtg— 6:00pm-Lovejoy
Tuesday, February 6— PTG Dine out— Dairy Queen
Monday, February 12— PTG Dine Out— Buffalo Wild Wings, Edw
Wednesday, February 14-Valentine’s Day
Friday, February 16-No School –Teacher Institute
Monday, February 19-No School-President’s Day
Tues., Feb. 20-- School Board Meeting 7:00 pm-Admin. Center
Tues., Feb. 20— TJ Pizza Fundraiser Orders/Money due
Thurs., February 22— Lovejoy Papa John’s Night

March

Monday, March 5 -Casimir Pulaski Holiday-No School
Tuesday, March 6-PTG Dine Out-McTeacher Night East
Friday, March 9-End of 3rd Quarter
Wed., March 9— Early Dismissal—12:40pm* changed from 3/21
Sunday, March 11-Daylight Saving Time Begins-
Move clocks ahead 1 hour
Monday, March 12-PTG Mtg-7:00pm - East Elementary
Friday, March 16- Report Cards Go Home
Tuesday, March 20 - PTG Dine out - Fazoli’s
Tuesday, March 20-First Day of Spring
Tues., March 20 –School Board Meeting 7:00pm-Admin. Center
Wed., March 21— Full Student Attendance Date
Thursday, March 22— Papa John’s Night

Please make sure your child wears a warm coat, hat and gloves to school on cold days. We will go out for recess as long as the weather permits.

JANUARY CHARACTER ED AWARDS

Shanna James-Followed directions
Raymond Hamilton-Played fair
Ashton Reid - Followed directions
Carmella Vassar-Getting along with others
Aiden Jordan - Followed directions
Allieonna Steward-Getting along with others
Jaxson Icke-Getting along with others
Brody Doolittle-Worked well with others
Zoe Dwyer-Followed directions and helpful
Zayden Martin - Helpful to others
Neveah Ramsey-Helpful to others
Tiernen Lok - Worked well with others
Kaedynn English-Getting along with others
Kalip Covington-Helping others

School Party/Birthday Celebration Guidelines (pg. 9 in school calendar)

The only party to be held at school during the instructional day will be holiday parties in December. Other holiday-themed parties will be held in the evening as parental involvement events and determined by each school.

Parents of elementary students are allowed to bring in reasonable, store bought birthday treats for their child to share with classmates for his/her birthday. **Parents will not be allowed to go to the classroom.** Treats can be left in the office and will be taken to the classroom when the teacher is ready for the treats to be served.

*Please give the teacher plenty of notice if you intend to bring in items on a certain day.

*All visitors should report to the office upon arrival. Please do not enter the classrooms.



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CHARACTER TRAIT FOR FEBRUARY

Good Choices

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

- Mr. Ducey will read a quote of the day pertaining to Black History.
- Each class will decorate their classroom doors with the theme “Black History”. The doors will be rated by a panel of judges. First Place will earn a Pizza Party. Second & Third place to be determined.
- The hallways will house posters of people who were influential to Black History.
- Each student will receive a bracelet, informational bookmark, or a pencil throughout the month.

JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 1

Dominic Washington Keith Lieneke Carter Stegall
Makai Bradford Loghan Lumpkins Collin Downey
Wesley Merritt Rafael Rippley

Week 2

Persephany Conley Tra’Shawn Burnett Arya Schaper
Isaac Dahlgren Rainey Phillips Taliana James Myles Kirbach

Week 3

Noah Wilson Mackenzie Miller Zoe Dwyer
Clayton McCormick Eva Mahnesmith Collin Downey
Ashton Reid Jaxson Bristow

Week 4

Athena Wood Patrick Mays Arya Schaper
Zayden Martin Will McCormick Zach Schultz

YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW!

Basic yearbook is \$15

Deadline to order is Friday, February 23.

Box Tops Need to be turned in by

Feb. 16th. Please send them in with your child.

T.J.’s Pizza Fundraiser

Alton Elementary Schools will be kicking off a fundraising event on Monday, Feb. 5, 2018.

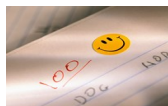
Information will be sent home with students that day.

We will be selling T.J.’s Pizza and other products Feb. 5 –20.

Help our schools raise money and enjoy delicious treats!



Website of the month
www.kidsnationalgeographic.com



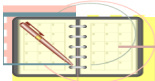
Check homework nightly.



Practice your flashcards!



Read 20 minutes with your child every night.



Sign your child’s agenda nightly.



Wear tennis shoes on PE days.

Trauma Information Continued...

With this research in mind, the Alton School District has taken a proactive approach to training staff on trauma and the effects of trauma on the students and families they work with. Even very young children can experience emotional trauma. This can be caused by distressing events that they experience, see or hear about. Overwhelming amounts of stress can affect the way the brain works and a child's ability to cope with learning, getting along with others, and daily emotions like frustration.

Children may act differently after experiencing trauma. They may have more difficulty getting along with family and friends and show signs of

- * anger
- * irritability
- * mood swings
- * fear and anxiety (including separation anxiety and panic attacks)

Children who have experienced a traumatic event may deny that the event occurred or be confused about what they experienced. They might also

- * withdraw from family or friends
- * blame themselves
- * feel shame or guilt
- * feel sad or hopeless

Some children who have experienced trauma, especially sexual abuse will have problems with

- * depression
- * anger and hostility
- * poor self-esteem
- * trusting others
- * self-destructive behaviors including substance abuse or sexually inappropriate behavior

All of the above can affect a child's progress at school. Parents or caregivers may notice their child has

- * lower grades than usual on school work and tests
- * problems with attention
- * problems with defiance
- * difficulties with concentrating
- * lack of interest in homework or school