

Eagle Feathers

PTA Newsletter for Aspen Elementary School (www.aspen.alpineschools.org) May 2015

Principal's Corner

Welcome to May!

We have so many wonderful things going on here at Aspen! I just want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all of their efforts this year! I am so impressed with the teachers here at Aspen. Our staff is second to none...and our students are amazing. And...of course...our community is the best around. So...thank you!

I am so glad we have the chance to have staff appreciation week. I hope that all of us can take the time to thank every individual who spends so much time working to provide the best education possible here at Aspen. It takes everyone (teachers, staff, etc.) to make every day a wonderful success. Thank you to our AWESOME PTA for helping out with our activities for this week.

Once again, I would like to thank Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Anderson, and Mrs. Christiansen for their many years of service at Aspen Elementary. We wish them well in their retirements. We will have an open house for them on May 18th, from 3:00 until 6:00 if you would like to come and recognize them for their years of service.

Please take the opportunity to check with your child's teacher for all of the activities, etc. that are planned for the rest of the year.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! For a great school year!

Mr. Davies - Principal

PTA President's Corner

We have such an awesome school! Our PTA, teachers, staff, Principal, and volunteers have done such an amazing job this whole year! It has been a delight to work with all of them.

We have one more month left before school is out, lets help make it the best month ever! There will be so many ways to volunteer and help, watch for fliers and e-mails coming home soon about our upcoming events. If one person volunteered from each family and gave of their time, we would have 478 hours of volunteer time in one month. We hope to see you sometime this Month!

Ruth Young
Molly Zamboni
PTA co-Presidents



TEACHER AND STAFF APPRECIATION!!

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week is May 4th--May 8th. Let's show our thanks to everyone who makes Aspen Elementary a great place! The theme this year is **Superheroes!**

If you would like, bring a treat for your teacher on Tuesday, May 5th. Look for the flyer, which was sent home. The flyer has some good ideas for treats on it.

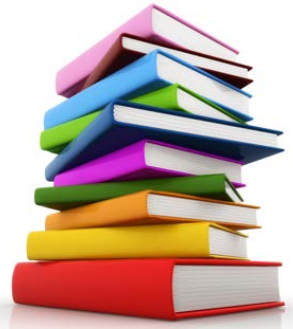
Thursday, May 7th, wear your teacher's favorite color to school. The flyer also has your teacher's favorite color.

Friday, May 8th, wear a Superhero T-shirt if you have one. If you don't have one, no worries! Wear your Aspen T-shirt or Aspen school colors. (Please **Do Not** wear costumes, capes or masks)



The people who work at Aspen truly do have superpowers! That's why they 'Make a World of Difference' in our lives.

TAKE HOME LIBRARY



Dear Parents,

We are coming to the end of school. We would like to thank you for your support of the Take Home Library. With the help of you and the great volunteers it has been a successful year. We hope that you have seen a difference in your child's reading skills as you have worked with them and hope you will continue to read with them through the summer. We look forward to next year.

Just a few reminders:

We will be **collecting the books May 13th-15th**. We hope to have all books turned in by then. If you have misplaced a book you will be responsible to pay the \$8.00 replacement fee before your child will receive their promotion slip and grades. If you have any concerns please contact Mrs. Mignon Sandgren at Aspen Elementary 610-8100.

Thanks again for your support of this valuable program.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Mignon Sandgren

ROAD TO SUCCESS

What a great year of reading,!! We are so impressed by the students making their reading goal. It's time to celebrate! Our next grand prize drawing will be on the 4th of May and our last one on the 18th. Our Chalk up to reading will be on the 13th in the afternoon around 12:30. The top five readers will be throwing color Powder at our cool teachers. Come out and watch.



Road To Success

 **Ken Garff**
Automotive Group

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR COOL READERS.



CARNIVAL!!

Mark your calendars!

The Aspen Elementary annual carnival will be Monday, May 11 from 4:00-7:00. This is a fun family event and a great way to celebrate the end of the school year! Enjoy games, a live reptile show, concessions, dinner and more!

We will be sending out more info on ticket sales.

We are in need of volunteers!! We have lots of opportunities to help from setting up, helping to serve food or even baking our prebaked cookies for that night. Even if you have 30 minutes to spare we could use your help. If you can spare a little time to help before or after the carnival, please contact Molly Zamboni @ 801-830-0811 or pollymaulzambo@gmail.com or Melissa Barlow please call or send text to [801-592-4744](tel:801-592-4744) or e-mail me at melwesbarlow@yahoo.com.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND:

LIVE REPTILE SHOW AT THE CARNIVAL!

If you missed it last year, plan on bringing the family to our newest carnival attraction: **A LIVE REPTILE SHOW!** Come meet *Nanners* the giant snake, *Darth Gator* the baby alligator, *Twinkle Toes* the giant tortoise, and more. You'll learn from a professional reptile handler and get a rare chance to see (and, in some cases, touch) these exotic creatures! Shows will be held in the school auditorium (general seating only) at 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, and 6:30.

NOTE: Seating is limited to 50 per show, which means only 200 people will get this amazing opportunity! Tickets are \$1.00 each and can be pre-purchased along with your punch passes and meal tickets. You also need to **SELECT YOUR TIME AND RESERVE YOUR SEATS** using our online reservation system. First-come, first-served, so don't delay! Visit Aspen's web site (<http://aspen.alpineschools.org>) and click on the link featuring a giant snake about halfway down the page.

*Any seats reserved but not paid for by Friday, May 8 (the date punch pass and meal ticket preorders are due) will be released for onsite sale.

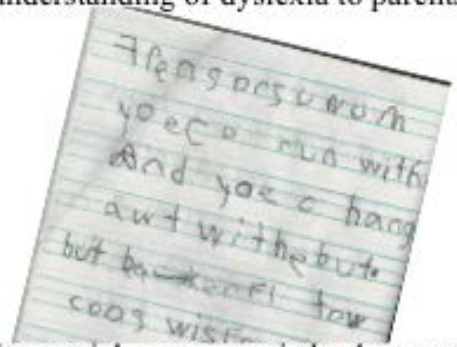


Dyslexia

My name is Morgan Maxfield and I am dyslexic. I have been through the ringer with dyslexia and have come out on top !!

My Eagle Scout project is to spread awareness and understanding of dyslexia to parents of struggling readers. The presentation will address :

- What is dyslexia?
- What are the signs of dyslexia?
- How did dyslexia affect me?
- What resources are available to parents?
- Q&A with dyslexic youth



Dyslexia affects 1 in 5 people regardless of ethnicity, social, or economic backgrounds. Could your child be dyslexic? The answer could make the difference in your child's life.

May 20, 2015
7:00pm
Pleasant Grove Library
Little Theater
30 E. Center Street, Pleasant Grove, UT

June 4, 2015
7:00 pm
Orem City Library
Storytelling Wing
58 N State Street, Orem, UT

YEARBOOKS!

We ordered extra yearbooks so if you still need to order one you can do so by going to the office. There is a limited amount available. SO HURRY FAST!! You'll get your yearbook the end of May, but you'll need to pick up your spring insert at back to school night this fall. Thanks!

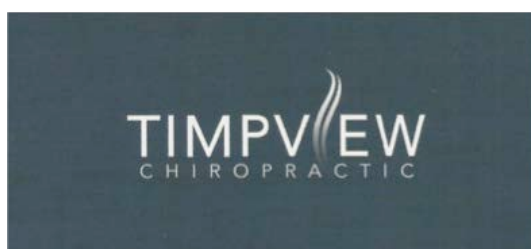


THANK YOU!!

The following businesses graciously welcomed our GALAXY students as they presented business proposals to raise money for Aspen's:

GUIDING READING LIBRARY STAR TUTORING GALAXY

The donations are still coming in!!
The grand total to be announced at the Dance Festival.



On your mark. Get Set. Go!!!!



We had just over 200 participants join us for the 4th annual Soarin' Eagles 5k and 1 mile FUN RUN! It was so fun to see so many students and parents supporting our school and having a great time. Funds will be used to purchase science kits for our classrooms. If you weren't able to run with us this year, you can definitely do it next year!

5k race winners were awarded new running shoes from Altra Zero Drop Footwear.

1 Mile Aspen Student Winner Boys: Caiden Lunceford, Ryan Hadley, Caleb Johnson

1 Mile Aspen Student Winner Girls: Alana King, Mandy Brown

5K Boys; Matt Hadley, Carson Ormon, Kaiden Finlayson

5k Girls: Allison Brandt, Lucy Lawrence, Lilly Lawrence

The runners were awarded medals from Lott's Originals: (1st, 2nd, and 3rd from each race, boy/girl and men/women)

Thank you so much to our Race Prep Team: Lisa Radmall, Liz Ibarra, Michelle Cochran, Abi Hassinger, Amy Brown, and Wayne Ormond for all their efforts to make this event a success. We'd also like to take another opportunity to thank our amazing sponsors:



Running Club

Our runners are putting in the miles again every Tuesday and Friday during lunch recess. It's amazing to see how these students love to challenge themselves. We have some who have already finished thirty miles. That's a lot of miles to run in just about 10 minutes of recess twice a week. Parents be sure to congratulate your runner when he/she comes home with a new foot charm. One foot charm represents 3 miles! If you see a new pair of colorful tube socks on your student's feet, he/she just joined the 15-mile club. Parents you are always welcome to come and cheer your runner on or join him/her in a 1/4 mile lap during lunch recess. We will announce the top runners and hand out prizes at our annual Dance Festival coming up in just a few weeks. Thanks for your support and way to go Aspen Elementary Running Club runners!

