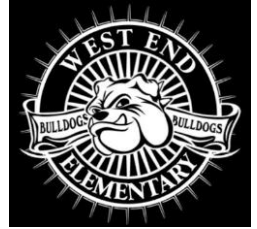


# WEST END ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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West End Elementary School  
Mrs. Meghan Stefanucci, Principal

January 2024

## Upcoming Events



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- 2 School resumes  
BARK Kick off Assembly
- 3 BARK Rotating Assemblies
- 10 PTO meeting 5:30 p.m.
- 15 School closed for Martin Luther King Day
- 22 School Closed: Teacher & Paraprofessional work day
- 23 End of first semester
- 31 Report Cards Mailed home

## From the Principal

As we step into the new year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the past and look forward to the exciting opportunities that lie ahead. The winter break was a refreshing time for our students and staff to recharge, and I am thrilled to see the enthusiasm and energy as we return to our classrooms.

January brings with it a renewed focus on learning and growth. Our teachers have been diligently planning engaging lessons, and I encourage all students to embrace the challenges and discoveries that this month will bring.

As always, the safety and well-being of our students remain our top priority. With the colder weather upon us, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately for outdoor activities.

Please remember that this is the time of year when snow days and/or school delays are likely to occur. I want to remind families that the primary method of notification about a delay or cancellation is through the Crawford Central School District

automated phone call. For this to be most effective, please contact the school office if a phone number has changed.

Other methods of announcing this would be through social media, and local radio and TV news broadcasts. Please do not call the school, because it is unlikely that anyone will be available to answer.

I am looking forward to a month filled with learning, collaboration, and achievement. Let's make January a memorable and successful month for everyone.

Warm Regards,  
-Mrs. Stefanucci



## No School

School will be closed for students on Monday, January 15, Monday, January 22.



## PTO

We encourage you to attend our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) meeting on Wednesday, January 10 at 5:30 p.m. in the art room. We meet the second Wednesday of each month throughout the school year. There is no membership fee.



A major goal of PTO is to support the school by holding fundraisers that help to pay for things that the school's limited budget does not. We fund field trips and other school events this way. One goal this school year is to raise funds for the renovation of the school playground. The PTO also helps support

the school by mobilizing volunteers at various school events.

Your child and others are the beneficiaries of this support. We hope you will join us.

## **January Nurse Notes**

### **Sleep Well, Be Well**

After the holiday break, it can be hard to get children back to a regular sleep routine. Sleep is crucial to support healthy brain function, growth, development and maintain physical and emotional health.

- School-age kids need 9–12 hours of sleep a night
- Kids who don't get enough sleep may be cranky, moody, or hyper. These behaviors may cause trouble with learning and paying attention in school.
- Create a consistent bedtime routine to include taking a shower or bath, brushing teeth, and a quiet activity like reading.
- Turn off all screens at least 1 hour before bedtime

### **Clothes Donations**

Please send in any unwanted, new or gently used sweatpants and/or leggings (no jeans) to the Nurse's Office. We will take all sizes, especially youth sizes 6, 8, 14, & 16. We could also use boys underwear sizes 6, 8, & 10.

### **Medications**

Any medications administered at school, not listed on the yellow Emergency Call & Parent Permission Card signed at the beginning of the school year MUST have a medication order form completed by a licensed prescriber, to be administered at school. This goes for all OTC AND Prescription medications. Medication Administration Forms can be found at "Parent Resources" on the CCSD Website or a form can be sent home

### **Sickness at School**

- If your child is ill and fevered (100.0 or greater), they may not attend or return to school unless they have been fever-free without the use of a fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours and symptoms have improved
- If your child is found to have a temperature of 100.0 or higher you will be asked to pick them up from school
- Covid-19- There are no longer "EQ" or Excused Quarantine days. If your child is sick with any illness, please keep them home and send in a written excuse of absence when they return to school. If your child sees their doctor, send in a medical excuse for absence(s).

### **West End Nurse Contact Info**

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Stay Healthy & Warm,  
Jen DeVaul, West End Nurse



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