

The Raider Times

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Emmons is students, staff, parents, and community working together to prepare our students for a successful future through excellent experiences and growth opportunities.

Weather Forces Graduation Change... Due to the Emergency Days we needed to use last Thursday and Friday, some of our end-of-the-year activities have needed to be pushed back. 8th Grade and Kindergarten graduation ceremonies will now be held on Wednesday, June 3rd, at 7:00pm in the Tabar Gymnasium. The last day of school for students in grades 1-7 will now be Tuesday, June 9th.

Emmons Service Activities Support the Community and World... The recent Open Gym activity sponsored by our Kids Coalition raised \$362 for Heifer International. Ms. Moser will be ordering the animals for our sponsored families this week. Our "Fill the Milk Jug" spare change drive between Thanksgiving and Winter Break raised \$89.52 for the Open Arms Mission right here in Antioch. This money will be used to purchase milk for the more than 140 families who depend on the Mission's food pantry to help make ends meet. Thank you to the entire Emmons community for your generosity and support.

Girls' Basketball Parents' Meeting Rescheduled... Mr. Shepherd has rescheduled the parents' organizational meeting prior to our girls' basketball season for next Monday, January 26th, from 5:15-5:45pm in the Tabar Gymnasium. This meeting was originally scheduled for January 15th but needed to be canceled because of the severe weather that day. Please contact Mrs. Carla Pratt with any questions at (847) 395-1105 x210.

Middle School Band Concert Next Week... Our middle school concert scheduled for last night has been moved to next Monday, January 26th, at 7:00pm in the Tabar Gymnasium. Our students will also perform in an all-school assembly in the gym on Monday morning, from 10:00-10:45am. We hope you will be able to join us!

Girls' Basketball Tournament... Under the guidance of Mr. George Shepherd, Athletic Director, Emmons will host our annual Girls' Basketball Tournament February 5th-8th. The

schools participating in this year's tournament with us are Alden-Hebron, St. Gilbert's, Big Hollow, Harrison School, Johnsburg, Millburn West, Millburn Central, Montini, North Prairie, Park School, St. Bede's, St. Patrick's, and Stanton. For more information or to volunteer at this year's tournament, please contact Mr. Shepherd at (847) 395-1105 x251.

After School Student Pickup... We are asking parents to assist us with a somewhat unique and interesting situation after-school: a growing number of students who are picked up by car after school are staying behind to play games in the gym and MPR while their parents wait for them in cars in the parking lot. These students then exit with our second run bus riders. Parents, please remind your students that pick up time after school is 3:30pm. Students being picked up by parents should leave right after school.

Board of Education Elections... Four seats on the seven-member Emmons Board of Education are to be filled at the April 7th election. If you are interested in seeking election on April 7, 2009 to serve on the Board of Education, you may pick up a petition packet from Mrs. Carla Pratt in the District Office between 7:00am and 3:30pm Monday-Friday. Petitions must then be filed at the District Office between Tuesday, January 20th and Monday, January 26th during normal business hours from 7:00am to 4:30pm. On Monday, January 26, 2009 the office will remain open until 5:00pm. If you would like more information about becoming a member of the Board of Education, please contact Dr. Robert Machak at (847) 395-1105 or rmachak@emmons-school.com.

Internet Safety Seminar... Detective Karen Kates of the Lake County Sheriff's Dept will speak to parents about Internet Safety at 7:00pm on January 29th in Emmons Library. Detective Kates will share with parents some of the dangers students may encounter when they use of the Internet. She will give recommendations to parents for keeping our students safe. During the school day on January 29th, prior to meeting with parents, Detective Kates will be speaking with students in grades 5 – 8 on this subject.

The Week Ahead...

Monday, January 26th	Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library Girls' Basketball Parent Mtg. – 5:15-5:45pm Tabar Gymnasium Gr. 6-8 Band Concert – 7:00pm Tabar Gymnasium
Tuesday, January 27th	Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library Girls' Bball (All Levels) – at Millburn West 4:15/5:15pm
Wednesday, January 28th	Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library 6 th Grade Girls' Bball – St. Bede's Tournament
Thursday, January 29th	Lake County Sheriff's Internet Presentation 8:35am Gr. 5-8 Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library Internet Safety Presentation – 7:00pm Library
Friday, January 30th	Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library