

# FUERSTENAU FOOTSTEPS

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Thursday, March 20, 2008

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

March	March is Reading Month - "Roar Into Reading"
March 21	NO SCHOOL (PS-12 & RESA ECSE Program) – Good Friday
March 25	FECC Book Fair
March 27	March is Reading Month Closing Assembly- AM- 10:30 and PM- 12:55
March 28-April 6	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
April 7	Classes Resume
April 10	FECC Music Program (AM/6 pm., PM/7:30 p.m.)
April 15, 16 & 17	Kindergarten Round-Up
April 11	NO SCHOOL (PS-12) – Records Day
April 24	<b>Regular School Day</b> – Parent Teacher Conferences
April 25	NO SCHOOL (PS-8) – Parent Teacher Conferences



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Today is the first day of Spring! While the temperatures are still a bit chilly and there are still some ugly snow piles left over the calendar does tell us that Spring is here. This year it seems like the seeds of those perennial flowers we love have been waiting especially long for the ground to thaw. It also seems that it is taking longer than normal for the birds to migrate north or the animals to come out of hibernation. However, we know the feeling of joy that we have once those flowers blossom or those animals come out to greet us each day. I think that this same idea can hold true when it comes to children learning something new. Some concepts or skills may take longer to learn than others and that certainly tests the patience of parents and teachers. However, there is nothing that can replace the joy and excitement on the face of a child when they finally master something that they have been working on for a long time. Just as we have been patient through the Winter and now get to smile at the first signs of Spring, let's also remember to be patient with children as they struggle to learn something new and then share in their joy when they finally do.

Sincerely,

*Keith Cravotta, Interim Principal*  
*Fuerstenau Early Childhood Center*

## CORRECTION

*April 24 is a regular school day for all kindergarten students.* Teachers will have parent teacher conferences during the day and in the evening. Sub teachers will cover classrooms when the teachers are out for conferences during their class time.

## Preschool Parent Meeting and Kindergarten Receptions

The power point presentations that Mr. Cravotta presented at these meetings will be posted on our website so that you can view them at your convenience.

## FECC Spring Music Program Featuring Kindergarten and Little Panther's Preschool students!!

When: April 10, 2008

AM Students – 6:00 PM

PM Students – 7:30 PM

Where: DeWitt High School Auditorium

Please bring your child with you to the high school auditorium about 10 minutes before the program's start time. Students will meet their teacher on the stage. We will release preschool students to their parents after their performance and kindergarten students after the entire program is over.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please call the school office at 668-3460 if you are available to help with any of these upcoming events;

*Kindergarten Round-Up: April 15, 16 & 17*

## RESA ECSE PROGRAM CALENDAR

March 21	NO SCHOOL – Good Friday
Mar 28-Apr 6	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
April 7	Classes Resume
May 2	No School
May 12	No School
June 6	Last Day

## Band Boosters Fundraiser Schuler Book Store the week of April 13-19

If you shop at either of the Schuler Book Store locations at Eastwood Towne Center or the Meridian Mall, just mention DeWitt Band Boosters during your purchase and 20% will be donated to the DeWitt Band Programs.

(This excludes food and drink in the cafe area)

Thanks for your support!

## KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

March 19 – Kindergarten Parent Reception  
(10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.)

April 15, 16 & 17 – Kindergarten Round-Up

Please visit our web site for more information  
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## MARK YOUR CALENDERS – NO SCHOOL DAYS!

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March 28-April 6	Spring Break (PS-12)
April 11	Records Day (PS-12)
April 25	Parent Teacher Conferences (PS-8 only!)