



 **PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING** 

EVERGREEN STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT HELPING OTHERS

Students at Evergreen Elementary learned the true meaning of the holidays when they participated in the Salvation Army’s Angel Tree program. Through the Angel Tree program, people can become personally involved because they are able to help a specific child. Once a child has been registered as an “Angel”, The Salvation Army makes a promise that they will provide Christmas for that individual. The promise includes a variety of gifts for each child. In lieu of holding classroom gift exchanges, each class at Evergreen Elementary adopted two children from the Angel Tree. Evergreen families were invited to send donations to support the school’s efforts. Teachers then used the donations to shop for the two children sponsored by their class.

Prior to Winter Break, an all-school assembly was held during which students walked the gifts into the gym and presented them to Captain Brian of the Salvation Army. Students at Evergreen enjoyed learning about how to be a giving community member. First grader, Cameron S. says, “The Angel Tree program makes me feel good because lots of people get stuff. Maybe those people wouldn’t get anything if there wasn’t the Angel Tree program.” Fifth grader Brady S. likes the Angel Tree program as well, “It’s important because it will help the kids that are needy. I feel it is a very nice thing to do because these kids might not get presents on Christmas.” In all Evergreen families helped to provide gifts to more than 50 children totaling over \$2,200 in gifts and donations.



From Left: Evergreen students Austin S., Maggie M., Lily T., Owen L., and Landon M. bring their class’ Angel Tree Gifts into the gym during an all-school assembly.

❄️ **DATES TO REMEMBER** ❄️

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| January 9 -13 | Adult School Crossing Guard Recognition Week | |
| Friday, January 13 | Bowl For Kids Sake 2012 | |
| Friday, January 13 | Last Day for Gifted & Talented Nominations | |
| Saturday, January 14 | Bowl For Kids Sake 2012 | |
| Wednesday, January 18 | Conference Schedules Go Home | |
| Friday, January 20, 2012 | End of 2 nd Quarter Popcorn Day | |
| Monday, January 23 | Staff Development Day | NO SCHOOL |
| January 30- February 3 | Kindergarten Registration Week | |
| Wednesday, February 1 | Progress Reports sent home | |
| Thursday, February 2 | Parent Teacher Conferences | 4:20 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, February 7 | Parent Teacher Conferences | 4:20 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. |
| Friday, February 10 | Parent Teacher Conferences | 8:00 a.m. – 12:40 p.m. NO SCHOOL |
| Thursday, February 23 | Grade 3 Winter Program | 6:30 p.m. |
| Friday, March 2 | Staff Development | NO SCHOOL |
| Thursday, March 8 | Mr. Z's limo ride | |
| Thursday, March 22 | Grade 4 Spring Program | 6:30 p.m. |
| Friday, March 23 | End of 3 rd Quarter | |
| Monday, March 26 | 1 st Day of Spring Recess | |
| Monday, April 2 | School Resumes after Spring Recess | |
| Friday, April 6 | Good Friday | NO SCHOOL |
| Friday, April 13 | Progress Reports Sent Home | |
| Tuesday, April 17 | Early Release | 12:00 Dismissal |
| Thursday, April 26 | Grade 5 Spring Program | 6:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, April 28 | Rock N Run 5 K Race | |
| Friday, May 4 | Jump Rope for Heart | |
| May 6-11 | Teacher Appreciation Week | |
| Monday, May 7 | Snow day make-up, if needed | NO SCHOOL |
| Tuesday, May 6 | National Teachers Day | |
| Thursday, May 17 | Grade 1 & 2 Track and Field | 1:00 p.m. |
| Monday, May 21 | Grade 3 & 4 Track and Field | 1:00 p.m. |
| Friday May 25 | Grade 5 Jay Seiler Track and Field | 9:30 a.m. |
| Monday, May 28 | Memorial Day | NO SCHOOL |
| Tuesday, May 29 | Rain Date for Jay Seiler Track and Field | |
| Wednesday, May 30 | Kindergarten Orientation | 12:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, June 6 | Kindergarten Graduation | TBD |
| Wednesday, June 6 | Last Day of School for Students Progress Reports Sent Home | |
| Thursday, June 7 | Last Day of School for Teachers | |
| Thursday, June 21 | Last Day of School for Office | |

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Registration Week

Any child who will be five years of age on or prior to September 1, 2012, is eligible to attend kindergarten for the 2012/2013 school year. The registration period will be from Monday, January 30-February 3, 2012 during regular office hours (8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.). Please get your registration in as soon as possible, as spaces fill up fast for kindergarten. Parents can locate forms prior to the registration date on the D.C. Everest website at www.dce.k12.wi.us. The forms are involved and require approximately 30 minutes to complete. We ask that you bring in the birth certificate for verification and a copy of your child's immunizations.

If you know of a family that may have an eligible child and may not get this information, please inform them of the registration dates. Parents in our attendance area are asked to register at Evergreen Elementary.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

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| February 2 (Thursday) 4:20 pm – 7:55 pm | February 7 (Tuesday) 4:20 pm – 7:55 pm | February 10 (Friday) 8:00 am – 12:40 pm |
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Parent/Teacher Conference schedules will be sent home with your student on Wednesday, January 18. Conference times will be similar to the times that were scheduled for your family in November. For example, if your conferences were on Thursday, November 17, your conferences will be scheduled for the same time on Thursday, February 2. If you need to change your scheduled time or would like to make an appointment with the **art, music, or physical education teachers**, you may go online from Wednesday, January 18, through Friday, January 27. If you don't have computer access, please call Amy Jaglinski in the school office at (715) 359-6591, extension 5221. If you would like to schedule a conference with the **guidance counselor**, please call Amy Jaglinski and she will schedule that for you.

STUDENTS ARRIVAL TIME AT SCHOOL

Students should not arrive at school prior to 8:20 a.m. Students will not be permitted to go to the classrooms earlier, since prior to time, teachers are not available to provide necessary supervision. Please understand that we cannot assume liability for unsupervised children before and after school hours. Thank you for helping ensure all children are properly supervised. By seeing that your child either gets registered for the Wausau Child Care program or arrives no sooner than 8:20, you can play a vital role in assuring that Evergreen Elementary remains a safe and welcome place for all.



❄️ **BIG BROTHERS / BIG SISTERS – BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE** ❄️

Bowl for Kids' Sake started Thursday, January 12 and runs through Saturday, January 14. It is the biggest fundraising event for Big Brothers Big Sister of Northcentral Wisconsin. The event helps provide funds needed to continue creating and supporting matches between "Bigs" and "Littles". Raising money for this event helps make a big impact on the program and children in our area. Teachers and staff at Evergreen have put together four teams to represent our school at this event. We would like to thank everyone for your continued support and help with the Penny Wars. Totals from the Penny Wars will be announced in the next newsletter.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northcentral Wisconsin's School Based Mentoring has been in existence in the DCE School District since 2002. They are currently serving over 100 children in the DC Everest District with a good portion of the school based matches at Evergreen Elementary! School Based mentoring is pairing a student who is struggling academically and/or socially with a caring adult or high school mentor. The Bigs and Littles spend about one hour a week together, doing homework, eating lunch together, playing games and just talking. That hour a week, can make a BIG impact.

Saturday, January 14

1-3 p.m. Kids 14 and under: \$25 Reg.

4-6 p.m. Family & Teen: \$50 Reg.

2 hours of bowling, pizza, soda, door prizes, t-shirt, and A LOT of fun!

Visit bbbsncw.org for more information on how to form a team for Bowl for Kids' Sake!



LOST AND FOUND BINS

We are beginning to get quite a few items in our lost and found bins. Please stop in and check the bins for your child's lost items the next time you are at school. It's a big help if you label your child's belongings as it makes it easier to get the items back to them in the event that they get lost. Any items that aren't claimed will be donated to the Salvation Army.

Thank you for your help!



Schoolhouse Rock-n-Run 5K/1-Mile

Fun-Run: Sat. April 28

Simply follow the link from our school website:

www.dce.k12.wi.us/evergreen



Own a Business???

Looking for Advertisement???

Want to Help Our School??

**Evergreen Elementary--Schoolhouse Rock-N-Run 5K & 1-Mile Fun Run—
Saturday, April 28, 2012, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m**

This annual event is a great way to get your business' name out to the community. A donation of \$99 (or equivalent materials/services) gets your business' logo printed on the back of race shirts, your business' name displayed on the finish line banner, and special recognition over the PA on race day as well as recognition in our Evergreen Events! Last year's racers came from all over the region!

Donations Needed:

- Funding
- Gift Certificates (for use as prizes)
 - Merchandise (for use as prizes)
- Advertisement—Newspaper, Radio, TV
- Fruit, Bagels, Bottled Water, Sports Drink (for participants)

Yes, I would like to be a Rock-N-Run sponsor!

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Business Name (as you wish to see it displayed)

Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Please complete this form and enclose with check or donation info to: Evergreen Elementary School, 1610 Pine Road, Rothschild, WI 54474.

Moving???



TUITION WAIVER

The intent of the tuition waiver is to solve the problem that occurs when students move out of the district after the open enrollment deadline. If your child meets the requirements and is granted the tuition waiver, he/she is allowed to remain in the district until the following February when you are eligible to apply for open enrollment. You must apply for open enrollment during the next February application period in order for your child to continue attending D.C. Everest.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Application period for the 2012 - 2013 school year is February 6 - 24, 2012

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend a school district other than the one in which they live. Parents must complete an online application no earlier than February 6, 2012, and no later than February 24, 2012 by 4:00 p.m.

Late applications will not be accepted for any reason.

The DPI web site to complete an on-line application: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/pstoc.html>

This web site will open on February 6, 2012 at 12:00 a.m. and close on February 24, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

At this time, once a student is accepted to attend D.C. Everest under open enrollment, the student may continue to attend the district without having to reapply every year. Annually parents will receive a mailing requesting that you confirm your child will continue to attend under the open enrollment program, verify your demographic information and return it to us. For more information contact Rhonda Haas at 359-4221, extension 1245.