Alsup Elementary



March 2017

A WORD FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL

It is hard to believe that Spring is already here! We are so excited about the work we have done this year and look forward to a great end of the year. As we get closer to the end of the school year, your child will soon participate in the state tests called the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS). CMAS tests are the year-end state common measurement to see how well students meet expectations in English language arts, math, science and social studies.

In our school, 3rd-5th grade students will take tests in math and English language arts March 13th – April 27th. Students in 5th grade will take the science test. In our school, that test will be given on April 10th – April 27th. Some schools have been chosen to give the social studies test to students in 4th and 7th grades only. Our school was not chosen to give this test this year.

These tests are very important and we ask for your help in **encouraging your child to do his or her very best**.

The teachers and staff of Alsup have worked hard to prepare your student for success on this test. In order for your son or daughter to have the best chance for success we have provided additional information that will support your student.

- Make sure that your child gets a good night's rest the night before the test.
- Make sure your child has a nourishing breakfast on the mornings of the test. Breakfast is served here daily at 9:15.
- Plan ahead to ensure that your child is present and on time for the test. Please, do not plan any medical or dental appointments on testing days. If your child is late, he or she will not be able to take the test for that session. It will be rescheduled for a later date.

In order for your child to do his or her best, remind your child:

- It is helpful to eliminate some of the answer choices that he or she think are wrong.
- It is better to tackle each question one-at-a-time, rather than thinking about the whole test at once.
- If you finish early, check your answers.

We are excited about the students' success on the upcoming testing and we appreciate your support during this time.

We look forward to having the opportunity for our students to show everything they have learned this year.



Important Dates

MARCH

8 End of 3rd Quarter

9 P/T Day Conferences (No School)

10 Exchange Day (No School)

Building Accountability Team 5:30PMPartners In Education Meeting 6:00PM

27-31 Spring Break (No School)

Third quarter awards ceremonies the week of March 20th

To report an absence: 303-853-5703

Early Release



There will be no early release day in March. The next early release day will be April 5th. Please mark your calendars as this early release is during the first week in April. Students will be released at 1:55.



A very Special thank you to Mrs. Woodward and all of the students for their great work on Jump Rope for Heart. We really appreciate your support. The students did a great job.





Please help keep students safe!!

Please be sure that you are following all traffic laws when dropping off and picking up students. Please be sure that if you are parking in the lot that you use a parking

Thank you to everyone who helped to support the 5th grade Candy Bar fundraiser.

Have a student that will begin Kindergarten in the 2017-2018 school year? Please join us on March 9th at 10:00AM for Kindergarten Orientation.

Do you have a great story about Alsup or want to recognize an Alsup staff member for their great work. Please email any story ideas to mabdale@adams14.org or give me a call at 303-853-5702. I would love to share your news in the next principal newsletter.



Please join us for a very special Breakfast with the Principal on March 2nd at 9:15am for a Family Engagement Workshop



Preparing Our Children for College & Career

Bring in your Box Tops to the main office!



The Alsup PIE group will be meeting on March 16th at 6:00 PM. If you would like to be a positive voice in your child's school, please come and join, Mr. Abdale, Mrs. Menard and other parent volunteers. We always offer light refreshments.