

Aviano Elementary School
Weekly Update 11 February-15 February

First Bell Rings: 0755
School Hours 800 – 1430
DSN: 632-5677
Bus Office: 632-5152
School Action Line: 632-2665
PTA Email: avianoelementarypta@gmail.com

Important Dates

Monday, 18 Feb- Presidents Day/Federal Holiday-No School
Spring Recess: 8-12 April- No School

SAC meeting dates for Aviano ES for the school year 2012-2013
3 April 3:00 PM AES Media Center

The TerraNova Assessment for this school year 2012/2013 is the week of **March 11th -15th**. We ask that parents do not schedule medical appointments or family vacations during that week.

Please remember to notify the school office of all student absences. Thank you!

Please Read: Changing plans after school

In order to ensure the safety of our students we must strictly adhere to the handbook policy for changing the dismissal of a student. The policy states: **For the safety of your children, we ask that you request any changes in transportation in PERSON or send a NOTE to the school for his/her teacher.** We will accept emails to the school office (before 2:00 pm) if an emergency situation arises. The office will no longer accept phone calls changing student's routines for dismissal.

Early Release of Students

If your student has an appointment or is being picked up during the school day, the appropriate procedure is to come to the school office and sign your student out. **The office will call your student out of class to the office when parents are present to sign them out. Please do not ask the office to call students down beforehand.**

Notification of PCS for students

Please notify the office if you are PCSing. If you do not have a final day of attendance but know the time frame of the PCS please let us know anyway as soon as possible, so we can add your child/ren to the departure list, inform teachers, and start the preparation process.

We will however eventually need a copy of the sponsor's PCS orders and an actual final date of attendance. A complete set of your children's records will be prepared for hand carrying. Records will need to be signed for and picked up by parents on that final day of attendance between 1200-1600.

Lunch Menu for 1st-5th Grade

11 Meatball Sub Chicken & Vegetable (V) Alfredo Turkey Salad Peas Carrot Sticks Orange Wedges Pineapple Banana Bread	12 Chicken Parmesan Mexican Chicken Salad Beef or Black Bean (V) Tacos Black Beans Green Beans Apple Slices Peaches	13 Chicken Fryz Buffalo Chicken Wrap Cheese Salad (V) Garden Salad Sweet Potato Crinkles Grapes Mandarin Oranges Carrot Bread	14 Hamburger Chicken or Chik'n (V) Pate Sandwich Craisie Turkey Apple Salad Baked Beans Steamed Carrots Banana Applesauce Oatmeal Raisin Cookie	15 Cheese Pizza (V) Pepperoni Pizza Sandwich Chicken & Mini Dumplings Ham Salad Broccoli Tomato & Cucumber Salad Fresh Fruit Peaches Fruit Swirl Cup
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Lunch Menu for Kindergarten and Sure Start

11 Meatball Sub Peas Orange Wedges Milk	12 Chicken Parmesan Green Beans Apple Slices Milk	13 Chicken Fryz Whole Grain Dinner Roll Garden Salad Grapes Milk	14 Hamburger Baked Beans Banana Milk	15 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Tomato & Cucumber Salad Fresh Fruit Milk
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Parents are *always welcome* to join their child for lunch. Please sign in and get a visitors badge from the office.

For the monthly school menu, visit <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/community/schoollunch/>
To monitor and add money to your students lunch account login to mealpayplus.com

Free Tutoring Website:

<http://www.tutor.com/military/how-it-works>



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January 30, 2013

Dear Parents and Students,

Grades 3-5 are invited to participate in our science/invention fair. **THIS IS VOLUNTARY.** Due to limited space, only class projects will be accepted from students in Grades K-2. The fair will be held April 25-26, 2013. You may enter the following type of project:

Experiment - a display and an explanation of an experiment which follows the scientific method. Volcanoes will not be accepted.

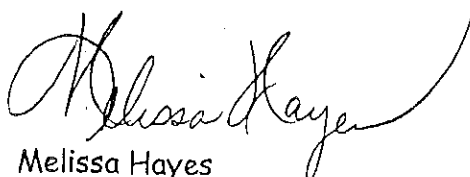
Invention- a display and explanation of an invention.

Biological and zoological projects are acceptable at the discretion of the student's teacher. However, live and preserved specimens may not be displayed at the science fair.

A Science/Invention Fair Handout is available to assist you. Your teacher can also give you some valuable insights into the process. Mr. Kish is the school contact for this event.

Parents are encouraged to *guide* students, but not build the project. Remember, a good project is planned and developed over a period of time. Start planning now! Please complete the form on back and return it to your teacher by February 18, 2013 if you are participating. No changes in project titles will be accepted after April 1, 2013.

Sincerely,



Melissa Hayes

Principal

Please fill out the following and return it. Parents: If you are able to assist us with the science fair, please check the appropriate box below and include it.

SCIENCE/INVENTION FAIR REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____ GRADE/TEACHER _____

The name of my project will be _____

___My project needs an electric outlet. ___My project involves liquid.

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

Email for receiving updates/info about the fair: _____

PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM

___I am able to assist with set up on the morning of the science fair, April 25, 2013 at 7:30 AM.

___I am able to assist with clean up of the science fair on the afternoon of April 26, 2012 at 2:30 PM.

PARENT NAME _____ STUDENT NAME _____
GRADE/TEACHER _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

PRESENTATION BOARDS are available at the exchange and also at the hobby shop on base.



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CCS-E / DSN:632-5677
Melissa Hayes, Principal

31 January 2013

Dear Parents,

We have received many phone calls recently asking us to give a message to students indicating a need to change where they will go after school. In order to ensure the safety of our children we must strictly adhere to the handbook policy for changing the dismissal of a student. The policy states:

For the safety of your children, we ask that you request any changes in transportation in PERSON or send a NOTE to school with your child for his/her teacher. We will accept emails to trans.aviano@eu.dodea.edu.

IF you have an emergency and cannot get home to meet your child's bus or you cannot get to the school to pick up your child, here are your options:

- Send an email to the school from the sponsor or spouse's email address that we have on file to the above email address. Emails should be sent prior to **2:00 PM** to ensure the school has enough time to verify the email address and respond.
- Call the school office to let us know that one of your emergency contacts listed in the child's school records will be picking up your child. IF an emergency contact person is to pick up your child, we **MUST** have the person sign your child out and present a picture ID.

The office will no longer accept phone calls changing your child's routine for dismissal (i.e. My child needs to go home instead of going to chorus today.)

Our data base will allow us to put in only two emergency contacts. These need to be local emergency contact numbers/people. Please come in to the school office in person to update your information.

Sincerely,


Melissa Hayes
Principal

Empathy.....

How Do I Stand In Your Shoes?



It seems as though in every professional article I have read recently, the word empathy continues to pop up, underscoring the importance of learning this skill at a young age. Simply defined, **empathy** is the capacity to put oneself inside the shoes of another person and to see the world through that person's eyes. Achieving empathy requires a great deal of diligence and thoughtfulness. If we allow negative feelings to get in the way, we will not be able to share another person's feelings.

"Children, today we are going to learn about a very important skill, called **empathy**." How do we break this down and teach children the valuable lesson of empathy? Students learned that before you can put empathy into practice, one first must be able to identify feelings. The lesson began with each student receiving a "feeling card" and trading cards with another student until they had the one that described them. They quickly became aware of the many different feelings one may experience and how they may change throughout the day. *How Do I Stand in Your Shoes?* By Susan DeBell was read to the students and they learned through the characters why it was important to have empathy. They immediately made the connection that *bucket fillers* have empathy. One of the easiest ways to fill buckets is to practice the daily skill of noticing other people, looking at their faces, and trying to understand their true feelings. Bucket fillers look beyond the surface into the other person's bucket. Instead of making quick judgment, bucket fillers are more likely to feel **empathy** and act compassionately.

(Bucket Fill-os-o-phy 101)

Students discussed times at school where they would like a friend to show empathy towards them; time of deployment, conflict with friends, losing a sports game, poor grades, losing a pet, or when their friend moves. Having empathy helps children be a better friend and helps them understand the feelings of others. When asked if it is easier to show empathy to people we know or people we don't know, a student responded, "They both need it." Clearly, Aviano students understand the concept of empathy.

Personal/Social Domain Standard A: Students will acquire the knowledge, attitudes and interpersonal skills to help them understand and respect self and others.



5 & 6 March 2013 NEW KINDERGARTEN OR ANY NEW FIRST GRADE STUDENTS (NOT FORMERLY REGISTERED AT THE AVIANO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)

Registration for New Kindergarten students and any NEW 1st grade students will be held at the **Aviano ES Office from 0800-1500 on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th of March 2013.**

Eligibility - For Kindergarten the child must be 5 years of age prior to 1 Sep 2013.
For 1st Grade the child must be 6 years of age prior to 1 Sep 2013.

Requirements: - Copy of sponsor original orders listing dependent and proof of DEROS extension if sponsor has been extended.
- Birth Certificate or Passport
- Immunization record

PLEASE stop by our office any time beforehand to pick up the registration package for any NEW students who have not formerly attended our school so paperwork can be completed and presented at registration, on the above dates.

26 & 27 Mar 2013 ALL RETURNING STUDENTS GR. 1-12
(for ALL students CURRENTLY registered and attending school)

School Registration is **MANDATORY** every school year.

Registration for all returning students will be held at the **Aviano ES Gym from 0800-1500 on Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th March 2013.** Representatives from ALL schools (ES & MS/HS) and the school bus office will be available in the same location to assist parents.

Requirements for returning students:

- Review, update if necessary and sign a new Registration form and/or any other forms required.
- Provide us a copy of a DEROS extension if your tour has been extended.
- Bring Immunization Record to ensure all required immunizations are up-to-date.

STAFFING IS BASED ON NUMBERS OF STUDENTS REGISTERED—Please register on above given dates.

Parents must sign up for school transportation with the School Bus Office yearly.

Parents on free and reduced lunches will need to re-apply with the School's Officer yearly (new application forms are usually available at the beginning of August).

IMPORTANT: All required documents must be on file in order for the child to attend school (Original sponsor orders, extension orders if extended, child's birth certificate or passport [Kindergarten & 1st grade ONLY], and proof of all required immunizations). Parents must register/re-register every school year.

If you have students currently registered for this school year but they are NOT RETURNING for SY 13/14, please ensure you have notified the appropriate office so that records can be prepared for you. A copy of your PCS orders will be required.

For further information, please call the appropriate offices:

Elementary School:	Kindergarten & Grades 1-5	Ext. 632-5677
Middle/High School:	Grades 6-12	Ext. 632-5777- 5877
School Bus Office:	School Bus Service	Ext. 632-5152
School's Officer:	Free & Reduced Lunches	Ext. 632-5261