

# Inverness Elementary School Newsletter

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## Principal’s Message

The last three months of school are crucial to students’ success. It is very important that students are in school every day! When students are not in school they miss out academically. If a student must be absent, please send a parent note explaining the absence and/or a doctor’s note if the student was taken to the doctor. Please try to schedule doctor or dentist appointments after school. Early check-outs are considered absences.

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ 2/29-3/4 Read Across America Week
- ◆ 2/29-3/4 National School Breakfast Week
- ◆ 3/8-10 3<sup>rd</sup> Nine Weeks Testing
- ◆ 3/13 Daylight savings time begins
- ◆ 3/14-18 Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)
- ◆ 3/24 Report Cards
- ◆ 3/24 K-3 Spring Dance (5pm - 7pm)
- ◆ 3/25 Good Friday (No School)
- ◆ 3/28 Easter Holiday (No School)
- ◆ 4/1 Testing Pep Rally (1 pm)

Happy Saint Patrick’s Day



## Help with Reading: How to Use iReady at Home

If you would like to use this digital tool at home, complete the following steps:

- Go the SCCSD homepage.
- Select the Student tab



- Select the iReady icon
- Your child can sign in with his or her school login and password.

It is important that your child completes the work in *i-Ready* independently to the best of his or her ability. Parents should assist with technical issues, such as adjusting your computer speakers, but not providing answers or assisting students to complete the activities. Encourage your child to check his or her “My Progress” to track the work completed in iReady.

See how your child is performing



## GREEN & GROWTH CELEBRATION

On Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, IES held a Green and Growth party. It was a huge success. Students who scored green or showed growth on the January MOY STAR assessment were allowed to attend.



**Pre-K- 4<sup>th</sup> will be celebrating Dr. Seuss's Birthday and Read Across America with some fun activities! March 2 is the birthday of the beloved children's author. Please help your children participate in our dress-up days!**

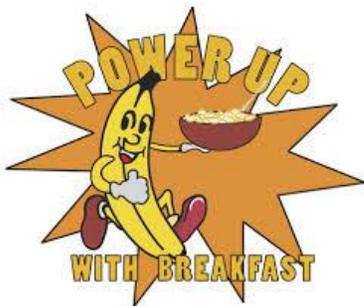
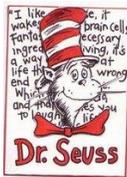
**Monday, February 29: I Can Read With My Eyes Shut Day!**  
(Wear a shirt you can read)

**Tuesday, March 1: Fox in Socks Day!**  
(Wear your silliest or craziest socks.)

**Wednesday, March 2: Green Eggs & Clothes Day!**  
(Wear a green shirt with khaki pants)

**Thursday, March 3: Cat in the Hat Day!**  
(Wear a Crazy Hat or Crazy Hair!)

**Friday, March 4: Wacky Dress Day!**  
(Wear as many colors as you can. Today is rainbow day!)



February 29- March 4, 2016 is National School Breakfast Week. We are celebrating the school breakfast program and educating students about how a healthy breakfast ensures they "Make the Grade" in the classroom. Breakfast gives you energy to grow, go and glow. Students perform better academically in school and are more alert when they eat breakfast. Breakfast allows kids to be more creative and perform better on tests. Teachers love it when their students eat breakfast because they have a greater attention span, increased memory, and an improved attitude and behavior to tackle their studies. You get the picture!

## Counselor Corner

Inverness Elementary strives to develop and maintain a climate of respect. This includes adult modeling of respectful and caring responses to student concerns. Students are taught how to identify bullying behavior and appropriate ways to handle bullying as a target or bystander. Students are taught that if they witness bullying, it is their responsibility to help the person being targeted. Bullying is challenged when the majority (bystanders) stand up against the cruel acts of the minority (person bullying).

### What is Bullying?

Bullying is an act of aggression in the form of:

- hitting or kicking (physical bullying)
- teasing or name-calling (verbal bullying)
- intimidation using gestures or social exclusion (emotional bullying)
- sending insulting messages by phone or computer (cyberbullying)

Bullying is behavior that is:

- Repeated
- Intentional
- Has an imbalance of power

### ATTENDANCE POLICY

Please remember the academic school day begins by 7:30 am. The front doors are locked at 7:45 am. Please ring buzzer and walk your student to the Main office to sign them in and receive a tardy pass. Excessive tardiness often lead to academic struggles, so please be sure to have your child at school on time and ready to learn everyday.

