

## March 2019 Newsletter

### Important Dates

- Mar. 1 – Early Dismissal – 11:45 am
- Mar. 1 – Birth-5 Screening Sign-up Begins
- Mar. 1 – KC Spelling Bee at 8:45 am (5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>)
- Mar. 1 – Youth League Registration Forms Due
- Mar. 4 – No School – Casimir Pulaski Day
- Mar. 5 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Sports Recognition night
- Mar. 13 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Science Center Field Trip
- Mar. 14 – Music Field Trip to Science Center & Fabulous Fox Theater
- Mar. 15 – End of Third Quarter (5-8)
- Mar. 15 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade to KC Career Day
- Mar. 20 – School Board Meeting at 7:00
- Mar. 22 – Report Cards Sent Home (5-8)
- Mar. 27 – Spring Sports Pictures
- Mar. 28 – Girl Scouts Meeting

### Birth-5 Year Screening

- Aviston Elementary School and the Kaskaskia Special Education District (KSED) will conduct FREE screenings for children birth – 5 years of age. Screenings are scheduled for Thursday, April 11 from 9:00 – 3:00 and Friday, April 12 from 9:00 – 12:00. Parents/Guardians may contact the school office at 618-228-7245 beginning MARCH 1, 2019 to schedule an appointment. Information that will be needed include: Child's full name (1<sup>st</sup>, MIDDLE, last), Medicaid # (if applicable), Address, Resident School, Birthdate, Parent's Names, and Phone Number. All screenings will be done at Aviston Elementary. All appointments will be made via phone call. NO EMAILS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR APPOINTMENTS.

### Kindergarten Registration

- Aviston Elementary School will start registering children for Kindergarten on April 1, 2019 for children who will be 5 years of age prior to September 1, 2019. Parents/Guardians can go to the website ([www.avistonk-8.org](http://www.avistonk-8.org)) to find the Kindergarten Registration form. Go to the "Registration Forms" link, then under Kindergarten Registration. We will only need to have the "New Student Registration" form turned in ASAP so we can start a count of incoming students.

The Registration form can be dropped off in the office, mailed to the school (350 South Hull Street, Aviston, IL 62216), scanned and emailed to the office ([schoolsecretary@avistonk-8.org](mailto:schoolsecretary@avistonk-8.org)) or faxed to the office at 618-228-7121.

The following exams will be required for incoming Kindergarten students and must be turned in prior to the start of the 2018-2019 school year:

- Vision Exam (from an optometrist)
- Dental Exam (from a dentist)
- Physical Exam with updated immunization record

These forms are also found under "Registration Forms Per Child" online or can be picked up in the school office.

Other registration paperwork will be available AFTER May 1, 2019 for all school registration. For any questions, please contact the school office at 618-228-7245 or via email at [schoolsecretary@avistonk-8.org](mailto:schoolsecretary@avistonk-8.org).

### IAR TESTING

IAR testing runs from March 11<sup>th</sup>- April 26<sup>th</sup> for grades 3-8. Each grade level has specific dates and times, so please check with your child's teacher and/or watch your child's class news for specific testing dates & times. Also, please communicate scheduled appointments with classroom teachers. Each student should get a good night's sleep and begin each day with a healthy breakfast. Thanks in advance for your support!

### Spelling Bee

The Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee will take place on Friday, March 1, at 8:45 am. The first round of the bee will be held in the 5<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> grade homerooms earlier that week. Winners will advance to the regional contest on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 pm

### PTA Monthly Drawing

Congratulations to Donna Peek (sold by Macie Peek) and Tom Winkeler (sold by Finlay Ratermann) on being drawn out for February.

### Scrip Orders

The PTA will submit a scrip order again this month. If you would like to order, please submit all orders to the office by March 15th.

### Cardinals Tickets

The PTA will again be selling Cardinals tickets. The order forms for these tickets will be going home soon. The game is Thursday, June 20th at 6:15pm against the Florida Marlins. Please spread the word as we have 200 tickets to sell. The tickets are \$25 each. Please note that the tickets may not be sold on StubHub as we are allowed to purchase the tickets at a great discount to be used as a fundraiser. Selling the tickets on such sites will jeopardize future fundraisers. If you have any questions regarding the Cardinals tickets please contact Ann Venhaus at [annvenhaus@yahoo.com](mailto:annvenhaus@yahoo.com).

### Spring Sports Pictures

Anna from Unforgettable Photography will be here Wednesday, March 27, for Spring Pictures. We will be taking the following sports pictures on March 27:

- Track
- 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball
- JV Volleyball
- Varsity Volleyball
- Math Team
- Scholar Bowl
- Spelling Bee Winners

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night for Girls Sports

Thursday, March 5th will be our 8<sup>th</sup> grade night honoring all the 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls who participated in or will be participating in the following sports: Softball, Basketball, Volleyball, and/or Track. Parents and girls need to be at the gym no later than 6:15PM.

The girls will be recognized between the JV & Varsity volleyball game. Congrats & thank you to all our girls who have given of their time & talents for the Eagles!

### Scholar Bowl News

There will be matches on the following dates

(more to come):

- Mar. 6 vs. Wesclin
- Mar. 7 @ ASA
- Mar. 13 vs. ICS
- Mar. 19 vs. ASA
- Mar. 21 vs. Carriel
- Mar. 28 @ Triad

### Math Team

The 2019 Aviston Math Team members are Melanie Hilmes, John Koerkenmeier, Mason Millard, Jake Richter, Cohen Wieggers, and Luke Pingsterhaus (alternate). The contest is Wednesday, April 3 at Central High School. Good luck, Mathletes!!

### Track Team

Track will be starting Monday, March 11 from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. Any student who is in 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade can participate. There may also be some open run practices, depending on the weather, starting the first week of March. Times/Dates TBA. If anyone has questions, they can reach Head Coach Kim Moran at [kimbermoran@yahoo.com](mailto:kimbermoran@yahoo.com) *Reminder:* A current sports physical must be on file before your child participates in any sport. Also please register on the sports website prior to the season. ([www.8-18.com](http://www.8-18.com))

### Gym Usage Requests

All gym requests should be put in to the office by the end of that school week at the latest. Gym requests during the weekend will not be accepted.

### Blue Ribbon Award Celebration Date Set

Aviston Elementary School has established April 17, 2019 for their Blue Ribbon Award Celebration. Festivities will include a whole school outdoor group picture, a "Breakfast of Champions," an assembly with local dignitaries, a parade through town, and a talent show. Public activities will begin at 9:30 am with a welcome and speakers. At 10:15, the parade will step off, circling from the school, to the Vintage Hall area, and back down 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The day will end with a student talent show and dismissal at 1:45 pm.

### Looking Ahead

- Apr. 1 – Kindergarten Registration Begins
- Apr. 4 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to JA Biztown
- Apr. 6 – District Band Contest at Triad
- Apr. 11-12 – PreK Screening
- Apr. 12 – Unsatisfactory Work Reports (5-8)
- Apr. 17 – Early Dismissal – 1:45
- Apr. 17 – Blue Ribbon
- Apr. 18-22 – Spring Break
- Apr. 23 – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade St. Louis Old Courthouse & Spaghetti Factory Field Trip
- Apr. 24 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Resource Day @ Carlyle Lake Field Trip
- Apr. 24 – School Board Meeting at 7:00
- Apr. 26 – Earth Day @ Carlyle Lake Field Trip (Grades 1, 2, 3, & 7)

