# Fairhaven Elementary

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#### Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss

On March 2, 1904, a person who forever changed the world of children's literature was born. His name was Theodor Seuss Geisel, but most of us know him as Dr. Seuss. His brilliantly creative illustrations and wonderfully inventive narratives inspired generations and continue to captivate children and adults around the world. In honor of Dr. Seuss' contribution all our students will be receiving a new book. In addition we are inviting family members to come join their students from 10:30-11:15 to read with them on Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We hope you will join us.

Then continue the fun at home. Dr. Seuss' books are best enjoyed by reading them aloud with family and friends, so try changing an after-school routine for one day and gather together for a group reading with the entire family. Don't be shy about inviting other friends to the table too! Few authors have been able to draw readers in with the creativity and rhythm Dr. Seuss possessed, and whether your children are teenagers examining the literature from an older perspective or a younger child who can be transported to imaginary places, the together time over a good Dr. Seuss read will be unforgettable.

At the end of the day, if your family really wants to get "Seussified," there are plenty of old and new movies of Dr. Seuss books. "Horton Hears a Who!" and "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" have both been made into modern films, but there are also shorter animated films that can be watched. SeussDude.com has a list of feature-length films and shorts you can choose from. Dr. Seuss' dream was to educate and entertain children. This March 2, invite reading into your home and start a tradition of participating in Read Across America Day while honoring this very special man and his work. It's possible – children can learn while being entertained and inspired.



# **Upcoming Events**

#### March 1

Kindergarten Registration

# March 2

Reading with the Relatives

# March 3

School Smarts starts (every Friday)

# March 9

Math Festival

#### March 14

End of Trimester- minimum day

# March 23

SBAC/Technology Night

#### March 30

Award's Assemblies

#### March 31

Spirit Day- Crazy sock day-Jog-a-thon

Please see the monthly calendar for more information and specific times.

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# **Fairhaven Student Council Serve Others**



Under the direction of 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Dara Marzolo Fairhaven's Student Council not only lead spirit days and fundraise for our school, but they are also involved in many service projects. They led a campaign to write letters to veterans along with making and delivering treats to our local veterans. They led a campaign asking students to make valentine cards for a local rehabilitation facility. They can be seen recycling and helping in various other ways around campus. Ms. Marzolo sees the potential for selflessness and generosity in our youth and strives to help them develop that potential as early as they can. We are proud to create future citizens who will positively contribute to their community.



We are excited to have the California Math Council return to bring a Math festival to Fairhaven on March 9<sup>th</sup>. A Math Festival is an exciting school-wide event to expose students, teachers, and parents to key critical mathematics topics in a positive, self exploratory, festival-like atmosphere. The Math Festival program is designed to engage students with activities and challenges appropriate for ALL ability levels. A Math Festival is good mathematics, Common Core Standards based, AND FUN! Students will have opportunities to explore math with their grade level during the school day. This is where we could use your help. Please let your classroom teacher or the front office know if you are available to help during the day.

Then return in the evening with your children for the Family Math Festival. Students can bring their whole family and work side-by-side doing the problem solving activities. Mothers, fathers, guardians, and whole families will have the opportunity to enjoy mathematics together and learn about the mathematics their students study at school. Share the fun and power of mathematics with the whole family. No volunteers needed for the evening event. Just come and enjoy having fun doing math activities with your children!

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