



# NEWS FROM THE NEST

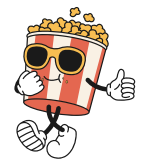
Emmons Lake Elementary

Sept 27, 2024

Educational Excellence... Every Day, Every Child!



## THE WEEK at a glance

MON.	TUES.	WEDS.	Thurs.	FRI.
9/30	10/1	10/2 Count Day	10/3	10/4
10/7	10/8	10/9	10/10	10/11 

### A note from the Principal:

Emmons Lake Community,  
 What a fantastic two weeks it's been at Emmons Lake! Seeing so many of our team members come together for the Harvest Hustle Carnival last week truly filled my heart with joy. The smiles and laughter from our community were unforgettable and a highlight of the school year.

This week, we've kicked off our academic and social-emotional support groups. I wholeheartedly believe that our mission as educators is to meet students where they are and our multi-tiered system of support is designed to do just that. Each student is placed in groups that provide tailored instruction and I'm excited to witness the incredible growth that will unfold.

Another area of focus for us is attendance. Last year, 53 students were chronically absent, missing 10% or more of the school year. Research shows how crucial consistent attendance is to educational success and it's a priority for both our school and district. We'll be sharing more information on this soon and we appreciate your partnership in ensuring that our students have the best educational experience possible.

Educationally yours,  
 Nathan Walters

### Contact Us:

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### Upcoming Events:

#### Emmons Lake Calendar

- 10/03 Count Day
- 10/15 Picture Retake Day



### Beginning & End:

Breakfast: 8:30 am EndTime : 3:45pm  
 Doors Open: 8:35 am Half Day: 12:00 pm

# S.O.A.R.



Safety, Ongoing Kindness, Act Responsibly, Respect

## Table Talk :

Ask your student how they are S.O.A.R.ing at school.

## Helpful Links Below:

Morning and Afternoon Drop Info :

Birthday Treats in the Classroom :

School Health Program & Med Forms:

Emmons Lake Website Here:

[District Calendar:](#)

Mobile App Support :

PowerSchool:

Volunteer Forms:



[Volunteer - Get Involved - Info Here:](#)

## THE PTO NEWS

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Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! To all of our generous families who helped make our Harvest Hustle a success!! We raised a total of \$16,650 amongst our students with additional funds adding to that total from additional cash donations and our incredible sponsors!!! That money will be allocated during the entire school year to help pay for things like school trips, teacher appreciation and conference dinners, school supplies, and much more! At Emmons, we really shine when it comes to looking after our school community! An extra shout out of appreciation goes to Mrs. Bernatche who planned, organized, and just all out rocked our Harvest Hustle. From the walk-a-thon to the carnival, she truly went above and beyond for our school and we cannot thank her enough for her leadership with this event!

This week our wonderful Principal will be PIED! A student from each class will get a chance to be pulled from our raffle hat during lunch to smash a pie into Mr. Walters face! Along with those lucky winners, some of our top classes will receive some fun prizes like extra recesses, pizza lunch, and more! Mrs. Grammer's class brought in a whopping \$2,242 and has been awarded the top spot! Mrs. Babb's class was not far behind! Followed by Mrs. Sandford's class who will also receive some special recognition for being the only class with 100% participation! Wow! Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Mulry, and Mrs. Summerfield's classes all made the top of the list too and round out our grade level winners!

The PTO thanks everyone for their support this year! Please reach out to us at [emmonspto@calschools.org](mailto:emmonspto@calschools.org) if you would like to get involved in an upcoming event!!

## Upcoming PTO Events:

Upcoming Dates:

4th School Store TBD

11th Popcorn Day

18th School Store TBD

As always, reach out to the PTO with any questions!

### Emmons PTO Board

Emily Murphy, President  
Josie Young, Vice President  
Candice Harig, Treasurer  
Ashley Marchand, Secretary  
Loreliss Williams, Committee Chair  
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<http://emmonslakepto.weebly.com>



# Attendance Matters

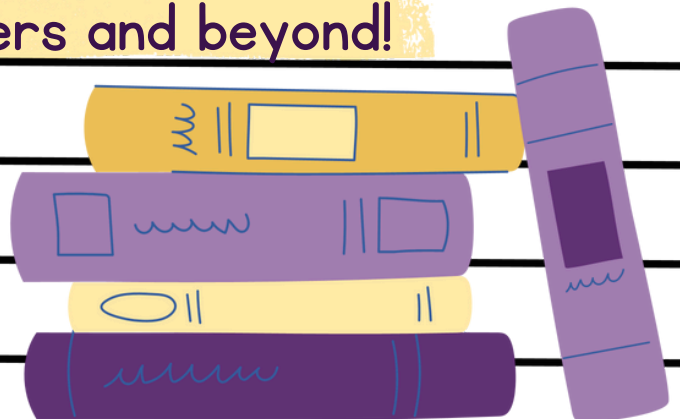
Regardless of the reason, when a student misses school they miss out!

Missing 2 days a month equates to 10% of their education missed. Arriving late or leaving early can also quickly add up

Attending school regularly helps children feel good about school. This habit will continue to be successful in their school careers and beyond!



**STRIVE  
FOR  
LESS  
THAN 5!**





## Notes from the Nurse:

Just a reminder that medications that need to be taken at school must be brought to the school's main office by an adult. It should never be in a student's backpack or lunch box.

Any medications taken during school hours must have:  
Prescription medications require a doctor's signature.  
Medication must be in the original bottle/prescription bottle with a label attached.

Parent/guardian signature must be on the medication order form. ([medication forms can be found here](#)).

In order to Self-Carry Medications:  
The doctor must sign the self-carry section of the medication form. The self-carry medication must be approved by the District nurse.

Self-carry medications (medications that must be carried by the student, not in a backpack or locker), per district policy, are emergency medications such as inhalers, epinephrine pens, and diabetes medications.

Medication forms can be found on the school's website under the School Health Program section.

<https://www.calschools.org/schools/emmons-lake-elementary/for-parents/>

# From the Community . . .



Harder Warner Fall Fest 2024 [Image File](#)Harder Warner Fall Fest 2024

Come celebrate fall with the entire family at Harder & Warner Boutique Gardens. Every Saturday in October 10am - 4pm.