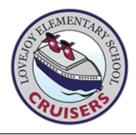
February 2017 Newsletter

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Dear Lovejoy Families,

February is upon us, which means we only have four months of school left! Where has the time gone?! This month we will be hosting conferences, please be sure to attend your conference time. This is an important time to discuss your child's progress, areas of strength and ways in which improvement can be shown. This is a time for you to ask questions of your child's teacher and be a partner in education! A note will be sent home with your scheduled time, please plan to arrive 5 minutes early as conferences must remain on schedule. If you arrive late to your conference time, you may have to wait until the teacher has another opening.

February 20th- ELL Conferences February 22nd-23rd- School Conferences

Friendship Celebration- Classes will be hosting "Friendship Parties" on Friday, February 10th. Please check the grade-level newsletters for more information from your student's teacher. If you plan to send a treat with your child, please ensure there is enough for all children in the class. No peanuts or peanut products please. Treats must be store bought.

Readers are Leaders! At Lovejoy we believe readers are leaders, please spend 15 minutes every night reading with your child. Don't have time at night? How about 15 minutes every morning?!

Save-The-Date:

March 10th- March 20th- NO School- Spring Break, Classes resume March 21st. Thursday, March 23rd- Academic Night Thursday, April 20th- Fine Arts Night Thursday, May 11th- Culture Fair

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Conferences:

Feb. 20- ELL Conferences

Feb. 22-23- School Conferences

Lovejoy Laundry is open Tuesdays and Thursdays for Lovejoy Parents/Guardians to do laundry at **no cost**. Laundry supplies provided. <u>Call 242.8419</u> <u>to make an appointment.</u> Parents/guardians will be asked to volunteer while their cycle is running.

Up-to-date school lunch menus are available at <u>www.DMschools.org</u>

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Before & After School-

<u>Metro Kids Care</u> will have spots open for 2nd semester. Hours are 6:30am until school starts and after school until 5:45pm. **Child Care Assistance and a Sliding Fee Scale are available.** You can fill out an application online or in person at school!

<u>21st Century</u>- There will be **NO 21st Century on Wednesday, February 22nd**! All students will be dismissed at 2pm!

Lovejoy Clothing Closet & Resource Fair

Saturday, April 8th from 9am-noon @ Lovejoy

Free Clothing

Free Iowa Legal Aid Clinic

Free Resource Fair

Light Breakfast Provided



WE WANT YOU!

We invite all parents & guardians be get involved at Lovejoy!

*Volunteer- we can always use volunteers- before, during and after school! You don't have to have any special talents- just a willingness to donate your time! [call 515.242.8419 or email bobbie.sheridan@dmschools.org for more info.]

*Attend Events- we encourage you to attend any and all events at Lovejoy from conferences to family nights to music concerts. We want you here!

*Let Your Voice Be Heard- attend a parent forum or focus group. In the coming months we will be reaching out to parents/guardians to hear their voice. Please accept this invitation.

*Keep the Communication Open- if you have questions, comments or concerns, be sure to let your classroom teacher or school know. We are stronger together! For more news and photos follow us on Facebook. Facebook.com/LovejoyElementary

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