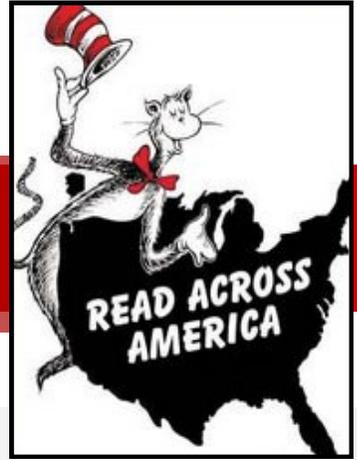


## KNOLLS NEWS

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## FROM THE NEST

Dates to

Remember

**March 1**

Read Across  
America Day

**March 2**

Early Release day

**March 26- April 2**

Spring Break-  
No school for  
students

As we welcome in March we look back on our successful Winterfest and week long celebration of students and staff in February with pride and gratitude for all of the hard work and commitment shown by staff and parents.

We are looking forward to the first day of Spring, March 20th, working hard in the greenhouse preparing for our spring planting and getting our vegetable plants ready for the front garden.

It is a team effort and we want to thank everyone for their efforts in preparing for their classes garden section.

Spring break is March 26- April 2nd this year. Please take time to relax and refresh with family and friends.

As always if you have any suggestions, comments or concerns please contact me.

Warm regards,

Kim Redgrave

Principal

**The more that you read,  
the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn,  
the more places you'll go.**  
-- Dr. Seuss

**READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY**

March 2nd is Dr. Seuss's Birthday and this year, we are celebrating on March 1st! At SK, we participate in "Read Across America Day" by reading some of Dr. Seuss's best books and doing school-wide activities to promote reading.

## PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Students in the PEP program have had a great time learning about winter and participating in winter activities. All of our students participated in “Winterfest” this year. Our PEP friends enjoyed all the sensory-related activities where they had an opportunity to explore different materials and textures. We even had a chance to play in pretend snow! We continued with our “Imagine It, Make It” theme as part of our Big Day for Pre-K Curriculum, explored writing and practiced contributing to shared writing projects. Our class writing activities were tied to the book Harold and the Purple Crayon and students explored dry erase markers, purple paint and other writing tools. Our next theme that our PEP program is starting is “Growing Up Healthy”. Students will have a chance to learn about healthy foods from other countries and taste healthy snacks. No matter what theme we are working on, students will continue to learn and play with all of their classmates and appreciate the various cultures represented here at the Stephen Knolls School.



## SCHOOL AGE



Students in C-2 have had a very busy month and have participated in so many wonderful activities. In celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school, we collaborated to create a poster showing our “love” for school. Counting to 100 takes a long time, so we investigated several ways to count to 100. We decided that counting by tens was the fastest way to count to 100. Students then took turns counting out 10 hearts until we had 10 groups of 10 hearts. Next, students used their decision making skills and picture symbol vocabulary for “top” or “bottom” to determine where the hearts should go on the poster. The final project turned out great!

## AQUATIC THERAPY

Aquatic Therapist Mr. Jim welcomes and encourages parents to come swim with their child in the Stephen Knolls therapy tank. Not only will you have a great time with your child and Jim in the pool, but he will also teach you how to confidently and safely work with your child in the water. There are many great county aquatic facilities which are easily accessible and offer great opportunities to work with your children on your schedule. Contact your child’s teacher or Jim if you would like to take advantage of this opportunity.



*Elysia Durgam’s mother, Ms. Lucy Asikin, comes to swim with Elysia on Friday mornings.*