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## 3/21-4/1—Spring Break

3/21-3/25 Network Closure—Office and Club M are closed  
3/28-4/1 Office is open, and Club M is open to those that pre-registered

3/28—Lottery applications for the Kindergarten Lottery pull on 4/4 are due

## 4/4—School resumes!

4/4—Kindergarten Lottery @ Central Administration Offices 5:00

4/5—CAASPP Testing Begins for 3rd-8th graders

4/6—EARLY RELEASE DAY  
11:45 K-3rd dismissal  
12:00 4th-8th dismissal

4/6-4/8—Middle School in San Francisco

4/14—Onyx and Quartz at the Sacramento Space Discovery Museum

4/15—Jade and Jasper at the Sacramento Space Discovery Museum  
4/15—Movie Night

Spring break is March 21st-April 1st. The network will be closed March 21st-25th. Club M will reopen on March 28th for those who have pre-registered and school resumes on April 4th.

Thank you for all of your support for our Fun Run. As soon as we have our final numbers, we will share how much was raised. Please be sure to get your pledges in so we can reach our 90% collection goal.



# COLORFUNFEST

The COLORFUNFEST was generous enough to support our Fun Run event. In addition, they are offering our community a discount on registration for their 5K on April 9th! Use the promo code 'CMP50FF' for your \$5 off. Go to [www.colorfest5k.com](http://www.colorfest5k.com) for more information about the run.



## What are Former CMPers Doing?

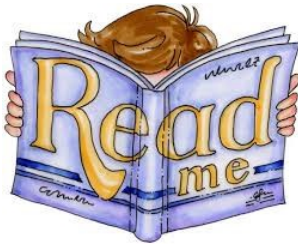
Former CMPer and current student at Laguna Creek, John, was recognized at the Elk Grove School District's board meeting Tuesday night. He, along with five other Laguna Creek students, were acknowledged for their participation in the Academic Decathlon. Way to challenge yourself, John!



Thank you for all of your support in raising money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Turquoise, Aquamarine, Peridot and Quartz received bronze pennants, while Sapphire raised the most money, earning them a silver pennant.



## Read Quest



On February 26, 2016 CMP Elk Grove joined the nationwide reading event "Read Quest". The final nationwide number of Accelerated Reader quizzes taken on this day was over four million quizzes. Our school passed 438 quizzes with 1,679,215 words read! In numerical order of quizzes passed I proudly report Amethyst 1 quiz/306 words read; Emerald 1 quiz/6,367 words read; Ruby 5 quizzes/2,950 words read; Quartz 11 quizzes/205,083 words read; Jade 14 quizzes/127,347 words read; Moonstone 17 quizzes/31,250 words read; Jasper 24 quizzes/389,302 words read; Garnet 28 quizzes/141,037 words read; Peridot 28 quizzes/374,454 words read; Topaz 37 quizzes/90,627 words read; Tanzanite 39 quizzes/61,315 words read; Turquoise 79 quizzes/90,101 words read; Aquamarine 154 quizzes/159,076 words read. Thank you to all the readers who participated on this special day at school.

Happy reading,

Ms. Karen, Accelerated Reader and Math Mentor

## California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) for 3rd -8th Grade

Children will be tested in math and English Language Arts (ELA); Science for 5th and 8th graders, and Physical Fitness for 5th and 7th graders. There are two components to the CAASPP tests for math and ELA, the **Computer Adaptive Test (CAT)** and the **Performance Task (PT)**. The **CAT** includes a wide variety of question types. As a student progresses, the difficulty of questions is adjusted on the basis of the student's responses. A student who answers a question correctly will receive a more challenging question; an incorrect answer will generate an easier question. The **Performance Task** is designed to provide students with an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to apply their knowledge and higher-order thinking skills to explore and analyze a complex, real-world scenario.

Testing will take place in the morning of each scheduled day. Unlike the paper and pencil tests, the math and ELA tests are adaptive and can be paused so breaks can be taken whenever they are needed. Please make sure children have plenty of healthy options for snacks and lunch and get plenty of rest, they will be using a lot of energy during testing.

### **April Testing Schedule:**

- April 5th-8th: Math CAT for all upper elementary
- April 12th-15th: ELA CAT for all upper elementary
- April 19th-22nd: Math Performance Task for all upper elementary
- April 26th-29th: ELA Performance Task for all upper elementary