



# ELEMENTARY CONGLOMERATE

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"IF YOU DON'T LIKE TO READ, YOU HAVEN'T FOUND THE RIGHT BOOK." - J.K. ROWLING

## March is Reading Month

Join us every Friday this month to celebrate reading by dressing up!

### 2/28/25 Kick off

Show your Copper King pride and blue & gray for the Copper Dog 150



### 3/5/25 Wake Up and Read

Stay cozy it's Pajama Day



### 3/7/25 Beach vs. Blizzard Day

Show us what you would rather?



### 3/14/25 Y is for YOOPERS

It's Flannel and Fleece Day



### 3/21/25 "Rock Your Socks"

is a campaign that encourages people to wear mismatched, colorful socks to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day.



Let's have fun, get creative, and show our love for reading!  
Can't wait to see your awesome outfits!

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- Winners of Kings Ticket Drawings
  - Positive Highlights
  - Reading Month Information
  - Important Reminders
- AND MUCH MORE!**



# >>> UPCOMING DATES - MARCH 2025

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12:**

**1/2 DAY OF SCHOOL - NOON DISMISSAL - LUNCH WILL BE SERVED**

**JK/K - REGISTRATION FOR 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR - MIGHTY KINGS**

**ENROLLMENT - 1:00-5:00 PM - CLK ELEMENTARY LIBRARY**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 21 - END OF THIRD MARKING PERIOD**

**MARCH 24-28 - SPRING VACATION**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28 - REPORT CARDS AVAILABLE ONLINE**





**K - KEEP SAFE**  
**I - I'M RESPONSIBLE**  
**N - NEVER GIVE UP**  
**G - GOOD MANNERS**  
**S - SHOW RESPECT**

# KINGS TICKET WINNERS!



Students who model our K.I.N.G.S. Expectations have the chance to earn Kings tickets. These tickets can be entered into a weekly popcorn drawing or into the monthly raffles.



**THANK YOU TO ALL  
OF OUR PARENT  
VOLUNTEERS WHO  
COME IN AND POP  
THE CORN! WE  
APPRECIATE ALL  
THAT YOU DO FOR  
OUR SCHOOL!  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE  
TO HELP POP THE  
CORN YOU CAN SIGN  
UP BY CONTACTING  
THE OFFICE.**



Every day at CLK Elementary, we dedicate time to share positive moments during our classroom morning meetings, interventions, specials, and various other times throughout the school day. Both staff and students engage with one another by asking, "What is something good happening in your life?" This practice of sharing good things has fostered strong relationships among students and staff. We've encouraged students to contribute a positive update for the Conglomerate. Be sure to ask your child, "What is something good with you today?"

# GOOD things

I GOT TO GO  
SNOWSHOEING!  
-MILES, JK

PLAYING WITH  
MY BEST FRIEND  
RYLAND.  
-CHARLIE, MK

I'M DOING  
GOOD WITH  
SELLING  
CHOCOLATES  
FOR  
GYMNASTICS!  
-PIPER, 2ND  
GRADE

I WENT TO A RED  
WINGS GAME, AND THEY  
ALMOST WON! -HENRY,  
KINDERGARTEN

**THANK YOU FOR  
SHARING YOUR  
GOOD THINGS!**

MY HOCKEY TEAM  
WON THE BETTY  
BECKMAN  
HOCKEY  
TOURNAMENT AND  
I'M READING  
LOTS OF BOOKS  
FOR MUSHING  
INTO READING.  
-RYLEE, 2ND  
GRADE

PLAYING WITH MY  
FRIEND IN THE  
GYM.  
-AVERY, DAYCARE

**I'M HAPPY  
WE WILL  
FINALLY BE  
ABLE TO  
HAVE WAKE  
UP AND  
READ!  
-BRIA, 3RD  
GRADE**

I GOT A NEW DOG. HIS  
NAME IS CHEESE.  
-OWEN, 1ST GRADE

I WENT DOWNHILL  
SKIING FOR THE  
FIRST TIME!  
-ALEENA, 4TH  
GRADE

**WE ARE  
REMODELING OUR  
KITCHEN AND  
LIVING ROOM!  
-ALEX, 3RD GRADE**

I GOT TO GO TO THE  
BATTING CAGE ON THE  
SNOW DAY  
-GRAYDEN, 2ND GRADE

WE HAD OUR  
TRADITIONAL SNOW DAY  
TEA PARTY!  
-WHITNEY, 5TH GRADE  
-CHARLIE, 2ND GRADE

BASEBALL SEASON IS  
ALMOST HERE!  
-LUCCA, 2ND GRADE

**I GET TO GO  
TO DULUTH  
FOR A  
DEFENSEMAN  
HOCKEY  
CAMP!  
-MASON, 5TH  
GRADE**

**WHAT GOOD THING  
WOULD YOU  
SHARE?**





THANK YOU MATT AND ELLA  
FOR HELPING US KICK OFF OUR  
MARCH READING MONTH!  
MUSHING INTO READING: WE  
ALL PULL TOGETHER. WE LOVED  
YOUR PRESENTATIONS AND  
LEARNED SO MUCH ABOUT DOG  
SLEDS AND THEIR TEAMS!  
THANK YOU FOR COMING TO  
OUR SCHOOL AND LETTING US  
MEET PART OF YOUR DOG SLED  
TEAM!

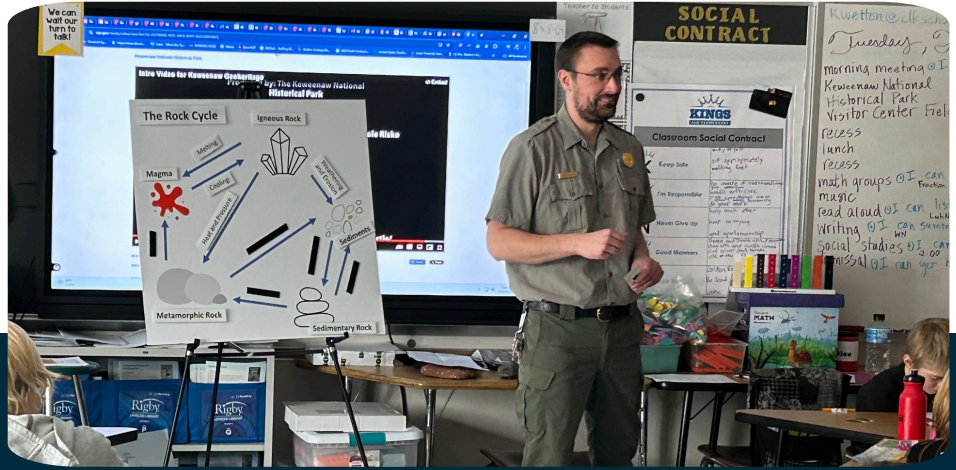
Thank You  
*L'Esperance*  
FAMILY







**Students from the 8th grade STEM class came and did a presentation on graphic design with Ms. Ymker's class. First graders were able to design their own t-shirts and the 8th graders then took their designs and created decals for their shirts. It was such a fun project! Thank you Sophie, Easton and Emelea!**



**Thanks to the Keweenaw National Historical Park and Rangers Dave, Aiden and Amber who visited all fourth grade classes. They taught a lesson on the rock cycle and the geoh heritage of our area as well as the work of the park to preserve the natural and cultural resources of our local area.**

**The fourth graders also went to KNHP Visitor's Center. There they analyzed primary and secondary sources of our local history. We saw Finnish letters written by miners, uniforms, photographs, maps, historical skates and so much more. This helped us understand how everyday objects tell about how people lived their lives many years ago. Thanks to Ranger Lynette, Amber and Aiden who spent the morning with us. We had a great time learning with all of you!**

**Every fourth grader will go home with a park pass good for free entry into every national park for their entire family. This was provided through the Every Kid Outdoors program.**





# Mushing Into Reading

We All Pull Together!

MARCH  
2025

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu   | Fri   |
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| February 28th Sled Dog Presentations And Blue and Gray Day                                      |  |  |   |   |   |
| <b>2 Reading Challenge</b><br>One family, one book!<br>Have family read aloud nights this week. | <b>3</b><br>Find somewhere silly to read today!          | <b>4 Book Talk Tuesday</b><br>Tell someone about your favorite book and why you love it!                 | <b>5 WAKE UP &amp; READ BREAKFAST P.J. DAY!</b><br>7:30 - 8:30 am for all students AND families in the cafeteria followed by reading in activity areas. | <b>6</b><br>Caught reading at home! Take a photo and send it to your teacher! | <b>7 Beach vs Blizzard Day</b><br>Dress to show us what you would rather have!      |
| <b>9 Reading Challenge</b><br>Read aloud to another person every day this week.                 | <b>10</b><br>Read to your favorite stuffed friend today! | <b>11 Book Talk Tuesday</b><br>Ask a teacher what their favorite childhood book is and why they love it! | <b>12</b><br>Design a cover for a favorite book!  | <b>13</b><br>Read a poem that rhymes!   | <b>14 YOOPER DAY!</b><br>Dress to show you're a Yooper! It's Flannel and Fleece Day |
| <b>16 Reading Challenge</b><br>Read for 20 or more minutes every day this week!                 | <b>17</b><br>Read in bed today!                          | <b>18 Book Talk Tuesday</b><br>Ask your parents about their favorite childhood book!                     | <b>19</b><br>Read a recipe and create it!   | <b>20</b><br>Read a poem that rhymes!   | <b>21 Rock the Socks Day</b><br>Wear crazy socks to support World Down Syndrome Day |
| <b>23</b><br><b>SPRING</b>  | <b>24</b><br><b>SPRING</b>                               | <b>25</b><br><b>SPRING</b>   | <b>26</b><br><b>SPRING</b>  | <b>27</b><br><b>BREAK</b>   | <b>28</b><br><b>BREAK</b>   |
|   |  |  |   |   | <b>29</b><br><b>THANK YOU</b><br>for making Reading Month a Success!                |

**1 Weekend Challenge**  
Read the comics from the newspaper or a book.

**8 Weekend Challenge**  
Write and illustrate your own book at home!

**15 Weekend Challenge**  
Pick a favorite story and retell it to someone.

**22 Weekend Challenge**  
Pick a favorite character you have from a book and write them a new story!

Students will meet Matt and Ella L'Esperance, two of CLK's very own mushers! Ella is a 4th grader in Mrs. Wetton's class who recently came in 3rd place in the Tahquamenon Country Sled Dog Race.

**On February 28th** we are going to kick off our reading month with this father daughter duo sharing a presentation with us on their sport as they gear up for Copper Dog later that night!







**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025**

**CLK ELEMENTARY LIBRARY**

**1:00-5:00 PM**

## **JUNIOR KINGS & KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

**YOUR CHILD MUST BE FIVE ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2025 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR JUNIOR KINGS OR KINDERGARTEN. PARENTS MAY OPT TO SIGN A WAIVER FOR CHILDREN WHO WILL BE FIVE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2025. PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORMS, BIRTH CERTIFICATE, IMMUNIZATION RECORD, DENTAL SCREENING RECORD AND PROOF OF RESIDENCY.**

## **MIGHTY KINGS APPLICATION DAY**

**YOUR CHILD MUST BE FOUR ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1ST, 2025 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE MIGHTY KINGS PROGRAM. APPLICATIONS CAN BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT:**

**[HTTPS://WWW.MIECC.ORG/MIECC/HOME/INDEX](https://www.miecc.org/miecc/home/index)**

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR APPLICATION: BIRTH CERTIFICATE, IMMUNIZATION RECORD, PROOF OF RESIDENCY, AND INCOME.**

**PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 906-337-0311 EXT. 110 OR BY EMAIL: [ASTANDRIDGE@CLKSCHOOLS.ORG](mailto:ASTANDRIDGE@CLKSCHOOLS.ORG)**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, NEED ASSISTANCE OR TO REQUEST A JK/KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION PACKET**



**MEET TEACHERS, VISIT CLASSROOMS, TOUR THE SCHOOL AND A BUS!**

### **VISION SCREENINGS**

**JOAN BECIA FROM WUPHD WILL BE HERE TO COMPLETE VISION SCREENINGS**



**Meet Nurse Jessica and complete forms for our School Wellness Program**

**Sign up for a dental screening appointment in May!**

**Discuss transportation options with Neal from Lamers**





# Step Up

Develop strength to face something difficult.

*This month we are focused on helping students understand that courage is not a magical remedy for fear. Instead, courage is a choice to push through fear, self-doubt, and anxiety to do things that feel hard or frightening. **We are partnering with you this month to grow your child's courage.** This month's activities will help your child understand that courage can equip them to make a positive impact at home, in school, and in the community.*



## 1 ENGAGE: Courage Role-Play

Discuss having the courage to do the right thing. As a family, role-play situations with your child where they might have to demonstrate courage. For example, role-play what it would look like if they saw a friend being rude to someone else at school. What would they do? How can courage help them stand up for what is right?



## 2 EMPOWER: Roles at Home

Create a list of household chores. Assign the various chores to each family member. Discuss any additional tools or support needed to accomplish each job. Have a weekly family check-in to celebrate success in completing each job by taking turns giving each family member an affirmation. Rotate chores and ask what additional support is needed.



## 3 EXCEL: Try Something New

Ask each family member to share something positive they want to do but have been afraid to try. Discuss what fears are getting in the way and steps to overcome those fears. Encourage everyone to try something new this month. Don't forget to celebrate each family member when they do!

## Conversation Starters

♥ Think of a friend at school you consider to be courageous. What are some ways they show courage?

♥ Describe a time when you were fearful at school, but you were able to overcome it because of your courage. What helped you to be courageous? Think of a recent failure at school. What was a lesson you learned from this experience?