



# Rockford Elementary Arts Magnet School

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## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL 03-25-2022



Dear Parents,

We have had a fantastic week at REAMS. Fourth grade students put on a fantastic concert and students from several grade levels performed at our Terrific Thursday celebration. Students are also very excited for their spring break. Oftentimes when kids are out of their regular routine, parents hear, "I am bored." or "What can I do?" Short of kids sitting in front of the video games for an entire week, I would like to share some ideas! Adventures do not have to mean big trips to far away exotic places. Read a story together and act out the plot. Have kids dress in costumes and create their own story. A final production with tickets and performance times can be a family hit. Bake or cook something together that you have never made before. Start an art project based on an interest of your child's and see how detailed they can be. Take a walk

together and see how many different kinds of birds you can see now that spring is upon us. Build a fort out of blankets, chairs, and whatever else you can find in your house. Play hide and seek in your house (yes parents, you must participate too!). Spending time together is what is important to kids. Spending money to do big things is not the goal. Kids want to just be with you! I hope you all have a wonderful spring break and create some amazing adventures with lasting memories!

**Please remember when students return on Monday, April 4, that is a two-hour late start. School will begin at 10:05 a.m.** Have a fantastic week and I look forward to seeing everyone on April 4!

Warmly,  
Brenda Nyhus  
Principal



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## Put it on your calendar

**March 28 - April 1** Spring Break

**April 4** District wide 2-hour late start. School starts at 10:05 a.m. at REAMS

**April 12** First grade Spotlight Concert, 6:30 p.m. HS auditorium

## Peek at the Week

### Terrific Thursday jump-starts spring break

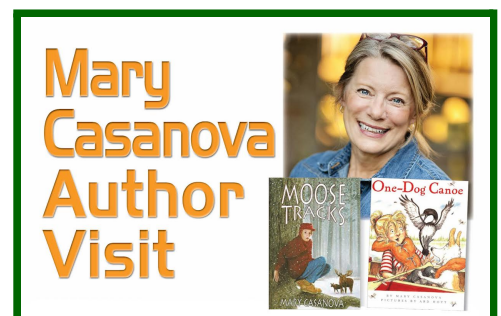
#### Agenda

- ★ World drumming, Mr. Eliason
- ★ RTR book winners
- ★ Boomwhackers and **Down the River**, Ms. Larson
- ★ 2nd grade music with Mrs. Miller
- ★ Showcase REAMS Piano Players
- ★ 4th grade recorders
- ★ 1st grade performance
- ★ 4th grade dancers - Jerusalem



### Author coming to REAMS

Sponsored and fully funded by the Great River Regional Libraries, on April 21, 2022, author Mary Casanova is coming to REAMS. With a Powerpoint program including images of Northwoods animals and book covers and illustrations, Mary will recount her journey growing up in a family of ten, struggling with reading, and discovering that books are a window into the world and writing is a way to “have a voice.” Audiences of all ages engage with Mary’s warm presentation style and respond with a greater desire to read--and write stories of their own. Educators appreciate that Mary regularly addresses the writing process: dealing with writer’s block, drawing on personal experience, using the five senses; show, don’t tell, and the use of conflict.





## Introducing quadrilaterals to third graders

Third grade students learned all about geometry, especially quadrilaterals. They learned quadrilaterals are four-sided closed figures, like squares, rectangles, and rhombuses. To apply their learning, students in Ms. Engebretson and Ms. Reimann's classes created quadrilateral creatures together. Then they analyzed the quadrilaterals they used by looking at the shape's angles and sides to give the quadrilateral the best fitting name based on the criteria.



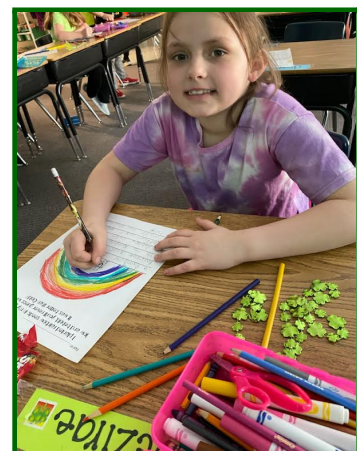
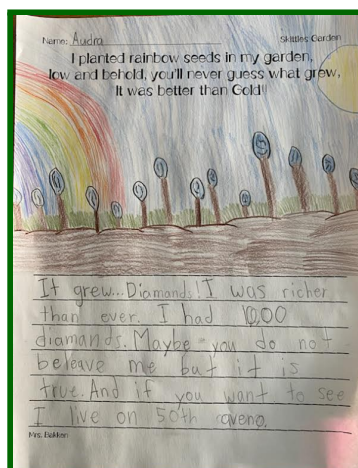
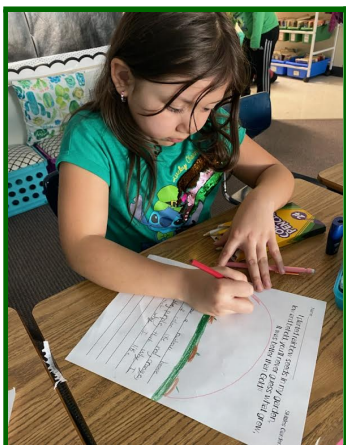
## P.E. Teacher of the Day

Congratulations to Treynor Smith, for recently being selected as the 'P.E. Teacher of the Day!' Treynor won this honor for becoming the highest fund-raiser in our 'Kids Heart Challenge, this year. He was allowed to help teach for an entire day, different Physical Education classes in the gym. He is pictured here (front & center), with Mrs. Anderson's Kindergarten class. Awesome job Treynor!



## Second graders grow magic seeds

Students in Mrs. Bakken's class pretended they had magic seeds. The seeds were skittles, and they certainly grew bright ideas! We enjoyed writing about and eating these magical seeds during creative writing time.



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## Other Opportunities

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### **RAAA youth fastpitch softball - registration extended**

*Not an ISD 883 Sponsored Event*

Registration for the 2022 summer RAAA youth fastpitch softball season has been extended to April 15 for all 8U and 6U Players!!!!

<https://www.raasports.com/summer-registration>

### **2022 RAAA Baseball Registration**

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	<p><b>THE 2022 RAAA BASEBALL SEASON IS ALMOST HERE</b></p> <p>8-14 YEAR-OLDS = REGISTRATION IS JAN 31 - MARCH 1 5-7 YEAR-OLDS = REGISTRATION IS FEB 28 - APRIL 4</p> <p><b>REGISTER NOW:</b> <b><a href="https://www.raasports.com/raaa-baseball">HTTPS://WWW.RAASPORTS.COM/RAAA-BASEBALL</a></b></p> <p><i>Please contact us at <a href="mailto:raabaseball@raasports.com">raabaseball@raasports.com</a> if you have questions.</i></p>	<p>Not an ISD 883 Sponsored Event</p>
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