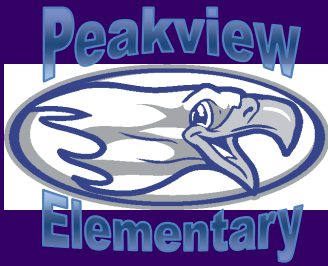


January

2012



PEAKVIEW ELEMENTARY

View from the Peak

## Safety Comes First

Dear Peakview Families,

As we SOAR into the New Year, remember **Safety Comes First!** Children are vulnerable to large and speedy vehicles. Please know, when we approach, we are not singling you out; we are simply upholding the rules to keep kiddos safe. **Safety is worth the time**, even if that means waiting a few more minutes in line, or parking on the street or walking to meet/ drop off your children. Please read the parking lot expectations below. I thank you for your support with this issue.



Please review the following so we can keep our community safe:

### Morning Expectations

- Follow all posted traffic signs, including but not limited to; NO PARKING, STOP, HANDICAP, RIGHT TURN ONLY, etc.
- For the safety for our community, please use our designated crossing areas.
- Please have your children exit your vehicle on the right-hand side of the car. This is closest to the sidewalk, and avoids the potential for being injured by a car driving through the lot.
- Staff members are available from 8:30 am – 8:45 am to assist. We do not have supervision for students until that time.
- PLEASE do not park your car and leave it unattended in the RED fire lane.

### Afternoon Expectations

- For the safety for our community, please use our designated crossing areas.
- Please do not encourage your students to cross in between vehicles to meet you or your vehicle. Even when you are with them, we need to remember to model safety and adhere to posted signage.
- Staff will assist you in the crossing areas beginning at 3:15 pm. The volume of cars at the end of the day is remarkable. We are doing our best to minimize the wait time at dismissal, and keep traffic flowing.
- Follow all posted traffic signs, including but not limited to; NO PARKING, STOP, HANDICAP, RIGHT TURN ONLY, etc.
- If you are unable to pick up your students on time (3:15 pm), please call the front office.

My best suggestion is to plan a head, give yourself a little extra time, in the event the parking lot and driving conditions warrant it. Thank you so much for the continued partnership we share. Your help in keeping our children safe is greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

*Nickie Ware*

Principal





## Calendar Notes

- 1/20 Movie Night at Peakview  
7pm
- 1/23 Spelling Bee in Gym  
9am
- 2/1 PASS Meeting (School Library)
- 2/10 Muffins for Moms  
8 am
- 2/14 PTO Meeting  
(School Library)  
7pm
- 2/20 & 21 NO SCHOOL
- 2/24 Me & My Guy Dance  
(see below)
- 3/7 PASS Meeting (School Library)
- 3/13 PTO Meeting (School Library)  
7pm
- 3/26-30 NO SCHOOL—SPRING BREAK

Come watch the original Muppet Movie (1979) with us!

**NEW!**

Bring your mom or special gal to breakfast at school!

### Date Corrections:

The date of the February PTO Meeting was incorrectly listed in last month's newsletter. It will be February 14th.

The No Batteries Allowed game night, originally scheduled for February 16th, has been cancelled.



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>  
ME & MY GUY DANCE

Girls bring their dads, step-dads, grandpas, or other special guys for a fun evening.

Watch for more information in Friday Folders soon!

A NEW EVENT AT PEAKVIEW!



## School Hours & Numbers

School Hours are 8:45am to 3:15 pm

Main: 720-886-3100

Attendance: 720-886-3199

Snow Delay & Closure line:  
720-554-4701

or go to [www.cherrycreekschools.org](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org)

*Cherry Creek Community Legislative Network (CCCLN):*

### Overview of 2012 Legislative Session

**February 8, 2012 9:00 a.m. ESC, Rm 210**

Get an up-to-date report on the legislation proposed in the 2012 Legislature and how it may affect education in the District and throughout Colorado.

Save the Date: **Day at the Capitol, 3/14/12**

For more information email Mariellen Guerra at [grobet67@comcast.net](mailto:grobet67@comcast.net).



## February is National Children's Dental Health Month

**FREE dental attention to children WITHOUT dental insurance and/or CHP coverage from families who cannot afford dental care.**

**Who:** Over 200 dentists across Colorado have registered for Give Kids a Smile Day to provide free dental attention to children who are without dental insurance and from low-income families.

**What:** Give Kids a Smile Day is a national program that provides kids with free dental treatment and education. This is an event to help children without access to dental care.

**When:** Friday, February 3, 2012

**Where:** Treatment and education will be provided in private dental offices, dental clinics, and schools across the state.

Give Kids a Smile Day is held annually to:

- Provide free dental services to local, uninsured children who would otherwise not receive dental care.
- Raise awareness of the epidemic of untreated dental disease occurring in Colorado and across the country.

**For appointments, please visit: [www.cdaonline.org/gkaspatient](http://www.cdaonline.org/gkaspatient) or call 303-724-6909.**



## **GREASE IS THE WORD!**

The school version of **Grease** is coming! Shorter and more suitable in content for younger audiences, this abridged version retains the fun-loving spirit and immortal songs that make Grease a favorite among rock and roll fans of all ages.

Thunder Ridge Middle School will present this fun-loving musical on March 16 & 17 at 7:00 p.m. on the Eaglecrest stage. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$7 for adults. Tickets may be purchased through our ticket line [720-886-1765](tel:720-886-1765) or before each evening's performances beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Eaglecrest. If you have a student at Thunder Ridge, they may purchase tickets during lunch the week of the show. Please join us for a great evening of entertainment!



# Spelling Bee

## Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

The Peakview Spelling Bee will be held Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 am in the gymnasium.

The contestants were selected from the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades after taking a test in December to qualify. These students have been studying since the week before winter break for this challenge. Parents are welcome to attend to cheer on their spelling star.



**Keep Re-loading your King Soopers cards!**



Thank you to everyone who has purchased King Soopers gift cards through Peakview PTO.

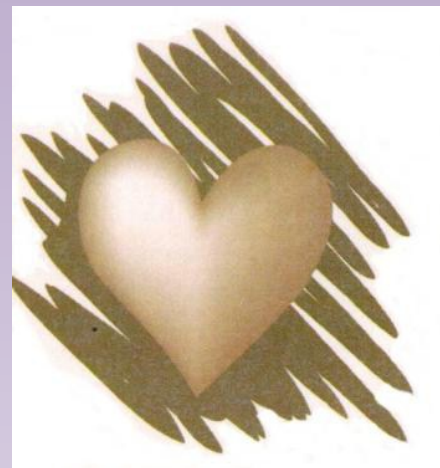
Remember, we keep earning as long as you keep adding more money to those cards.

We recently received our first check from King Soopers—nearly \$400. This is a great way to raise money for the school without having another traditional fundraiser.

Watch for the flyers we send home monthly if you would like a card.

# Golden Heart Awards

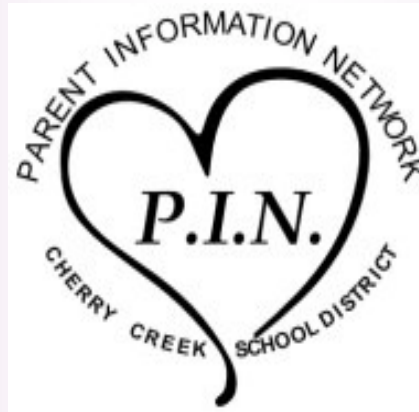
Nominations due February 29th, 2012



Nominations are now open for the Cherry Creek School District Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Golden Heart Awards. This prestigious award is for individuals who have “opened their hearts” to touch the life of a Cherry Creek student with special needs. This includes, but is not limited to, bus drivers, teachers, cafeteria workers, paraprofessionals, specials teachers (media, art, P.E., music), those in support positions, students, and community employers. Each person who receives this award has gone “above and beyond” to support Cherry Creek Special Education students. Fifteen Golden Heart Award winners will be honored on May 31, 2012.

Nominations may be made online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/goldenheart12> or available at the school office.

Each person may only make one nomination, that nomination may not be a family member of the nominator. Nominations will not be accepted for an entire team. All nominations are due by February 29, 2012.



**Tuesday, February 7, 2012**  
**9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.**

### ***Little Girls Can Be Mean***

Dr. Michelle Anthony, expert in developmental psychology and author of "Little Girls Can Be Mean", provides the tools to enable your child to become stronger, happier and better able to enjoy friendships. Whether your child is just starting grade school, or already on their way to high school, you'll learn valuable information to help them navigate through social issues.

This is an important topic for parents of both boys and girls! Dr. Anthony will discuss how adults can use a four-step process to identify and deal with tough situations. She will provide empowering strategies for parents to communicate and connect with children to help them build self-esteem and resilience.

To see a video clip of Michelle Anthony speaking on the Rachael Ray show go to:

<http://www.rachaelrayshow.com/show/segments/view/bullies-in-kindergarten/>

Plan ahead to take a little time out of your day or take a few hours off of work and come to **connect** with other parents, **be informed** by local and national speakers, and **get empowered** to take a proactive approach to parenting. All parents, school administrators and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend Parent Information Network (PIN) presentations.

Presentations are free and are held the first Tuesday of each month  
at the **Student Achievement Resource Center (SARC)**.

14188 Briarwood Avenue, Centennial, south of Arapahoe Rd., between Potomac and Jordan Roads

*Come at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments and networking*

For further information go to: [www.PINccsd.org](http://www.PINccsd.org).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

March 6<sup>th</sup> Family Dynamics: When One Child Requires More Time & Energy

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Creating a Peaceful Family Environment

May 1<sup>st</sup> Annual PIN Brunch at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church

*Keynote speaker: Michael Gurian-NY Times Bestselling author of "The Minds of Boys"  
and "The Wonder of Girls"*