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# Explorer News

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

January 2019, Volume 6

Dear Indian Creek Families,

In order to help encourage all Indian Creek students to read this school year, we have developed our school-wide reading initiative. There are three components to our reading initiative they include online resources, reading logs, and STAR Reader. There are also three ways that you, the parent, can help support on initiative.

1. Make sure your student is getting on the MyOn or Lexia websites nightly. Both of these websites are great resources for students to develop a love of reading. Lexia will provide each student with an individual learning plan teaching them the foundations of literacy. MyOn is a digital library that students can access all types of text. Most importantly, students can enjoy listening to text and even take quizzes on them.

2. Be sure to sign your students reading log. Whether your grade level is doing a weekly or monthly reading log, all students should be reading nightly and should be tracking their reading minutes in their reading logs. Second semester, we are moving to digital reading logs. Students will be able to submit what they have read online and both parents and the teacher can receive an email with your student's summary of what they read.

3. Know and celebrate your student's STAR scores. All students will take STAR Reader five times this year. Be sure to know your student's STAR score and how much they have grown since August. As a school we averaged an increase of 73 scale score points of growth since August! That is 23 points higher than what is expected for students to grow during that time. Our goal for the school year is that every student grows at least 100 scale score points by the end of the year and with your help we will be able to do that.

Keep Exploring,

Mr. Kevin Kemper, Principal



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## Featured Sponsor of the Month: Custom Cast Stone

Support the businesses that support Indian Creek. Thank you to Custom Cast Stone for their years of continued support sponsoring our PFO's purchase of our school-wide t-shirt. Thanks to Custom Cast Stone and other local businesses, all Indian Creek students, staff, and volunteers will receive a free Indian Creek t-shirt again this school year.

### Attendance Reminder

The attendance line is available 24 hours a day, 317-964-4405. If absence is not confirmed by parent/guardian, it will be UNEXCUSED! Please call the attendance line by 8:00 am if your student will be absent. . Please keep in mind that the front office will close for early dismissals between 2:00-2:30pm unless arrangements are made prior to 1:30pm.

Main Office: 317-964-4400

Transportation: 317-423-8400

Transportation email: businfo@msdl.t.k12.in.us

Twitter: @IC\_Explorers

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/indiancreekelementary>

### District News

**There is no school on Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.**

**There is no school on Monday, February 18 in observance of President's Day.**

**School will be in session on Friday, February 15 to make up for the school closure on November 15 due to icy road conditions.**

### 7th Grade Transfer Request

Students entering 7th grade in the fall may submit a request to attend a middle school other than the school currently serving their attendance boundary. The deadline is February 18<sup>th</sup>. See the Announcement on the website for details.

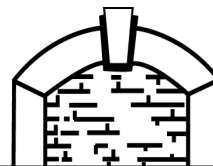
### Upcoming Events

#### January

- 1/08 –Students Return to School
- 1/11 –Report Cards Posted(Skyward Family Access)
- 1/17 PFO Playdate @6:00
- 1/17 –IREAD Night @6:00
- 1/18 –IMEA Honor Choir
- 1/21-2/1 –Indian Creek Can Food Drive
- 1/22-2/8 -WIDA Testing
- 1/21 –Martin Luther King Jr. (No School)
- 1/22-2/08 –World's Finest Chocolate Fund-raiser

#### February

- 2/1 –Popcorn Sale \$1.00/bag
- 2/14 –Jump Rope for Heart
- 2/18 –President's Day (No School)
- 2/22 –Valley Forge Day
- 2/22 –Popcorn Sale \$1.00/bag



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