



March 2020



Dr. Seuss

Theodore Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, was born in 1904 in Springfield, Massachusetts. He had a happy childhood and credits his ability and desire to create rhymes to his mother, who used to chant rhymes to him as he fell asleep. His first children's book, *And To Think That I Saw It On Mulberry Street*, is filled with Springfield imagery.

Ted left Springfield to attend Dartmouth College where he became editor-in-chief of the *Jack-O-Lantern*, a humor magazine. He went on to Oxford University in England, but being bored with college, decided to tour Europe instead.

After returning to the United States, he began to pursue a career as a cartoonist. *The Saturday Evening Post* and other publications published his early works.

As World War II approached, he began to contribute political cartoons to magazines and also made training movies for the war effort. It was here that he learned the art of animation.

The Cat In the Hat was perhaps the defining book of Dr. Seuss' career. At the time of his death on September 24, 1991, Dr. Seuss had written and illustrated 44

children's books, including such all-time favorites as *Green Eggs and Ham*, *Oh, the Places You'll Go*, *Fox in Socks*, and *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. His books have been translated into more than 15 languages. Over 200 million copies have found their way into homes and hearts around the world.

Besides the books, his works have provided the source for 11 television specials, a Broadway musical and a feature-length motion picture. His honors include two Academy Awards, two Emmy Awards, a Peabody Award and the Pulitzer Prize.

Important Dates

2-6—Dr. Seuss Week

Monday—wear favorite color

Tuesday—wear animal print

Wednesday—wear neon

Thursday—dress like a famous "Thinker"

Friday—wear PJs

10—Kindergarten Mtg. 6 pm.

11—3rd quarter ends

13 and 16—No School

18—Send grades home

20-27 Book Fair

26—3rd Quarter Assembly: 9 am for K-2 and 9:45 am for 3-5

30-31—PK and K Screening from 8 am-3 pm



Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

Kindergarten meeting—March 10

A Kindergarten orientation meeting for parents and their children (who will be attending Kindergarten the 2020-2021 school year) will be held on Thursday, March 10 at 6:00 pm. in the elementary gym.

A bus ride, school tour, a lunch-room snack, a Kindergarten activity and a school supply list will be provided in the meeting. Kindergarten teachers will briefly discuss the expectations of Kindergarten, what your child will learn, and what you can do to get your child ready for Kindergarten. A booklet with this information and more will be

provided for you. In addition, you will also receive information on the necessary shots and paperwork needed to register your child for Kindergarten.

If you have not already scheduled your child for screening, you may do so at the meeting. Your child must be age five before August 1, 2020 to be eligible for Kindergarten.



**"We could learn a lot from crayons:
Some are sharp,
Some are pretty,
Some are dull,
Some have weird names,
And all are different colors;
But they all have to live in the same box."**

Author Unknown

Pre-K and Kindergarten Screening

Pre-K and Kindergarten screening will be held on March 30 and 31, 2020 from 8:15-3:00 each day. Screening will take approximately one to two hours. Parents who are unable to attend the March 10 meeting may call 545-3541 ext. 1 to schedule a screening appointment.

Please bring the following documents with you to screening:

- ◆ A certified copy of your child's birth certificate
- ◆ An up-to-date shot record
- ◆ Proof of residency
- ◆ Parent ID

