

# Edgar H. Parkman Newsletter

APRIL 7, 2020

## HELLO PARKMAN FAMILIES!

The Parkman teachers and staff really enjoyed seeing our panthers at the motorcade last week. Thank you for the outpouring of positive feedback about the hard work the Parkman staff have put in to support our students during this difficult time. We understand that this situation brings some obstacles. If families have questions regarding the distance learning packets/plan, please continue to reach out to the Parkman staff. We want to support you as best we can.



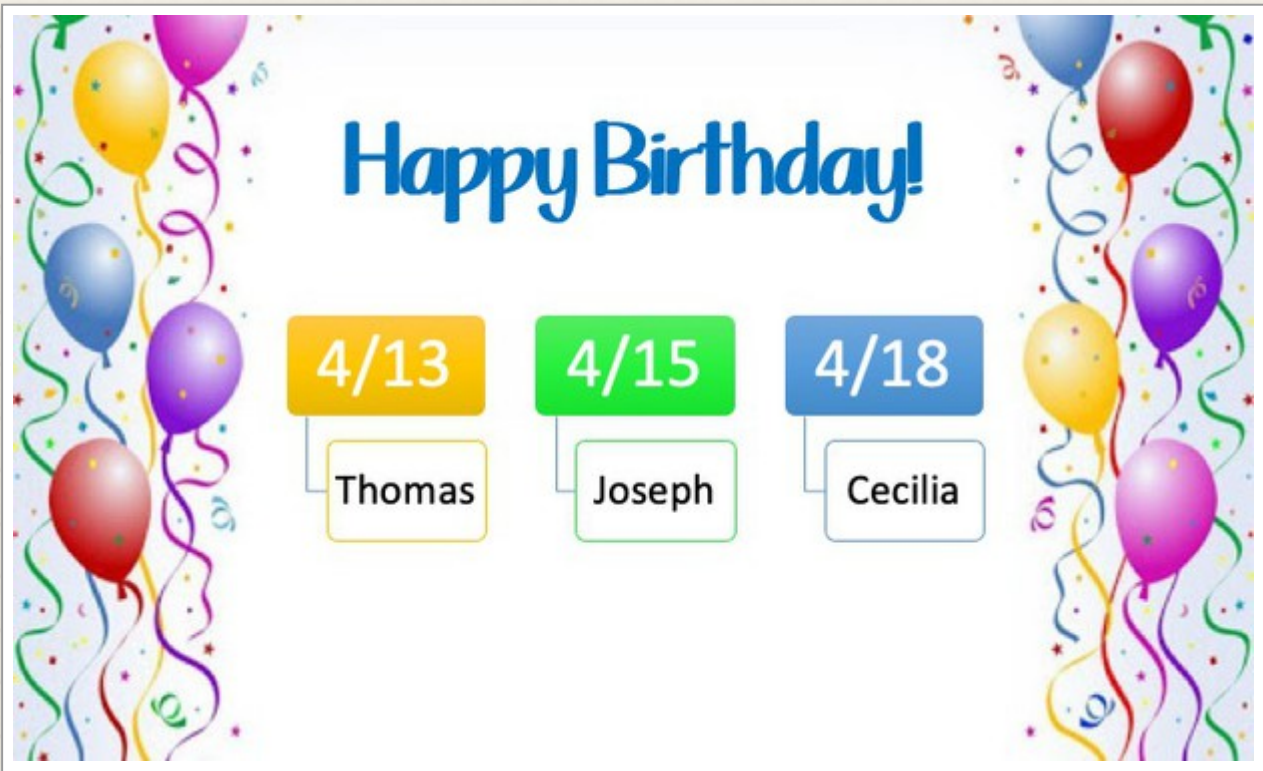
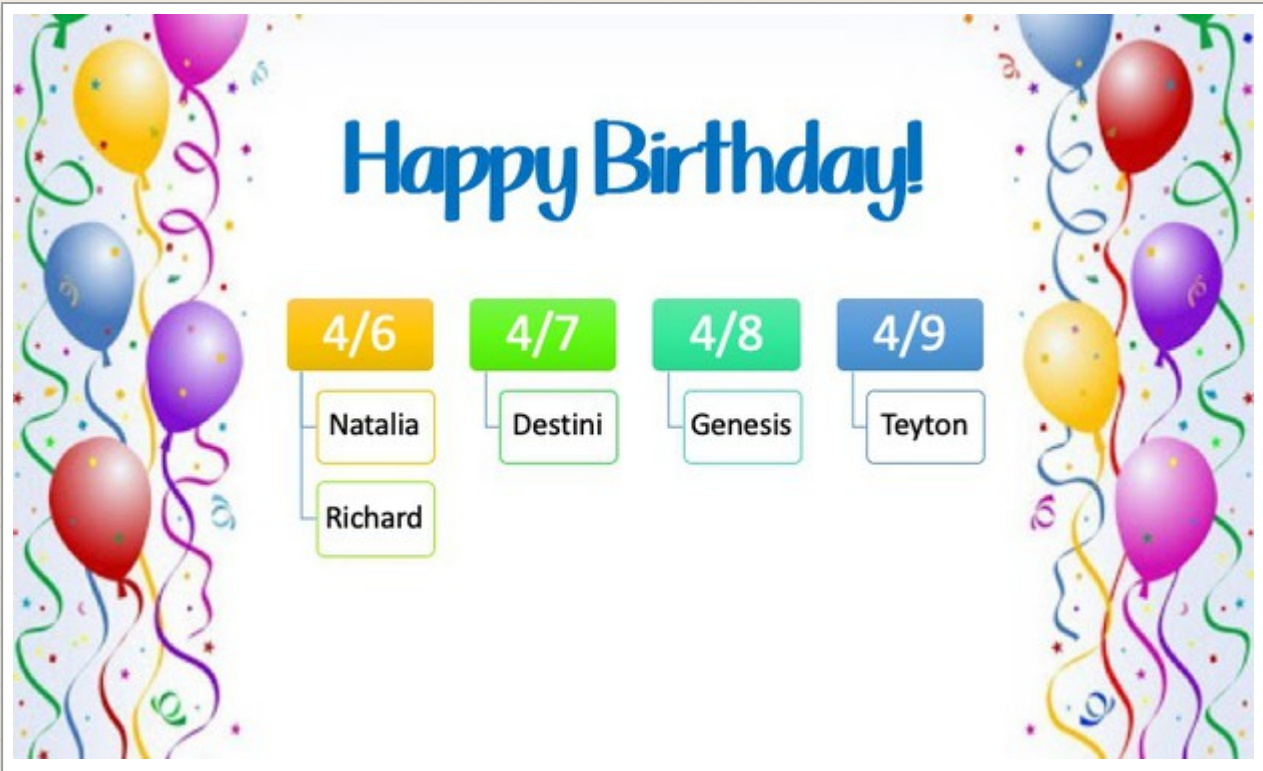
Families are encouraged to continue to use the EPS website to stay up to date on information related to school closure and distance learning material (<http://www.enfieldschools.org/>). You can also go to the EPS website to update how you would like to receive EPS messages.

This is very important... Please ENJOY Spring break doing things you love to do and take time to appreciate the special moments you create with your families. Teachers will be encouraged to do the same. Everyone can use a break!

Be well!

-Principal Roman

## CELEBRATIONS



Birthdays will also be posted on our website. <http://edgar.sharpschool.com/>

COMING EVENTS



## IMPORTANT DATES

4/9/20 at 12 noon- "The Secret Lake" - Ch. 1 read by Miss Roman (while you enjoy lunch)

Click here --> [Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)  
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4/9/20 @ 2pm- "PBIS during Distance Learning" **Info Session For Parents** (see details below)

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4/9/20 at 4pm- "The Secret Lake" - Ch. 2 read by Miss Roman (wear a silly hat)

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4/10/20 - 4/19/20 SPRING BREAK

4/23/20 at 4pm- "The Secret Lake" - Ch. 3 read by Miss Roman (bring your favorite snack)

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## "PBIS DURING DISTANCE LEARNING" INFO SESSION FOR PARENTS

Our Parkman learning community, students, parents, & teachers are a team. At Parkman we strive to build & maintain a partnership between home and school. As such & due to our current circumstances we would like to offer a brief **PBIS during Distance Learning session Thursday 4/9 @ 2pm**. This will be an approximate 30-minute PowerPoint presentation that will illuminate how PBIS strategies & interventions can be used successfully at home. This presentation will also have a Q & A segment.

We look forward to connecting with you!  
Please join us!

-Mr. Spiwak

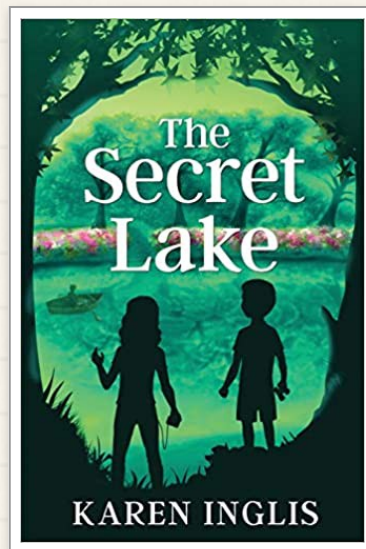
## THE SECRET LAKE

Join Principal Roman in a live weekly read aloud. We apologize for the inconvenience, but due to technical difficulties, these specific read alouds can not be recorded. Chapter 1 will be read again on 4/9 @ noon (see above).

**Description:**

"When Stella and her younger brother, Tom, move to their new London home, they become mystified by the disappearances of Harry, their elderly neighbor's small dog. Where does he go? And why does he keep reappearing wet-through? Their quest to solve the riddle over the summer holidays leads to a boat buried under a grassy mound, and a tunnel that takes them to a secret lake.

Who is the boy rowing towards them who looks so terrified? And whose are those children's voices carried on the wind from beyond the woods? Stella and Tom soon discover that they have traveled back in time to their home and its gardens almost 100 years earlier. Here they make both friends and enemies, and uncover startling connections between the past and present." (*Amazon.com*)



## CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

### COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR KIDS AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS

[BrainPop Video & Activities](#) - A video that explains the virus in kid friendly language

[Supporting Kids During the Coronavirus Crisis](#) - An article for parents and guardians

[Talking to Kids About the Coronavirus](#)- An article for parents and guardians

## TECHNOLOGY

### COX INTERNET ACCESS

During this time of uncertainty and required in-home learning, Cox is helping get families in need connected to the internet through our Connect2Compete program.

Effective Monday, March 16, we are providing:

- Limited-time, first month free of Connect2Compete service, \$9.95/month thereafter
- Until May 15, 2020, we are providing phone and remote desktop support through Cox Complete Care at no charge to provide peace of mind and ease for technology needs
- Resources for discounted, refurbished equipment through our association with PCs for People

- A Learn from Home toolkit for schools, including instructions on how to fast-track eligible students without internet access [Download toolkit](#)

**Offer expires 5/15/2020.** Cox Complete Care in-home support excluded. Program eligibility and other restrictions apply. Learn more at [www.cox.com/c2c](http://www.cox.com/c2c).

To Qualify: Families with K-12 children who are eligible for the National School Lunch Program, SNAP, and/or TANF; who receive Tenant-Based Vouchers, Project-Based Vouchers or Section 8 Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA); and/or who live in Public Housing

Click on the link below:

[https://www.cox.com/residential/internet/connect2compete.html?utm\\_id=lfo\\_sem\\_goog\\_c2c\\_gen\\_z\\_brnd\\_norlsa&sc\\_id=lfo\\_sem\\_goog\\_c2c\\_gen\\_z\\_brnd\\_norlsa&ca.cr=289072315643&ca.kw=cox%20connect2compete&ca.mt=e&ca.mp=Google&cb.device=c&ca.target=kwd-554753909437&SRCHCAMPAIGN=Google+-+Residential+-+Brand+-+BAU+-+Standard+-+National+-+Connect2Compete+-+Exact&SRCHKW=cox+connect2compete&ds\\_kid=43700035896770232&&ca.cr=289072315643&ca.kw=cox%20connect2compete&ca.mt=e&ca.mp=Google&cb.device=c&ca.target=kwd-554753909437&SRCHCAMPAIGN=Google+-+Residential+-+Brand+-+BAU+-+Standard+-+National+-+Connect2Compete+-+Exact&SRCHKW=cox+connect2compete&ds\\_kid=43700035896770232&gclid=Cj0KCQjw6sHzBRCbARIsAF8FMpVvs7CDMG4HVLrjghLjKcWwwKYH74omHyqAWj2usoc8\\_sLCa\\_3F3koaAvroEALw\\_wcB&gclsrc=aw.ds](https://www.cox.com/residential/internet/connect2compete.html?utm_id=lfo_sem_goog_c2c_gen_z_brnd_norlsa&sc_id=lfo_sem_goog_c2c_gen_z_brnd_norlsa&ca.cr=289072315643&ca.kw=cox%20connect2compete&ca.mt=e&ca.mp=Google&cb.device=c&ca.target=kwd-554753909437&SRCHCAMPAIGN=Google+-+Residential+-+Brand+-+BAU+-+Standard+-+National+-+Connect2Compete+-+Exact&SRCHKW=cox+connect2compete&ds_kid=43700035896770232&&ca.cr=289072315643&ca.kw=cox%20connect2compete&ca.mt=e&ca.mp=Google&cb.device=c&ca.target=kwd-554753909437&SRCHCAMPAIGN=Google+-+Residential+-+Brand+-+BAU+-+Standard+-+National+-+Connect2Compete+-+Exact&SRCHKW=cox+connect2compete&ds_kid=43700035896770232&gclid=Cj0KCQjw6sHzBRCbARIsAF8FMpVvs7CDMG4HVLrjghLjKcWwwKYH74omHyqAWj2usoc8_sLCa_3F3koaAvroEALw_wcB&gclsrc=aw.ds)

## SCHOOL PROCEDURES

### COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER (CHC)

CHC can now introduce new students in need of behavioral health services. CHC is working hard to connect with families, and look to their partners to help them meet the needs of students in this changing and unknown environment.



[Click here for more information](#) on CHC and how to connect through telehealth.

### COMMUNITY RESOURCES

**We recognize that the current public health emergency is resulting in an increase of stress on families.**

If you or your child are experiencing an immediate safety concern call 911.

If you or your child is experiencing a behavioral mental health crisis call 211 (see details below).

If you would like to access support services, please contact the following:

For children over 8 years of age, please call Youth and Family Services at 860-253-6380.

For children under 8 years of age, please call the Family Resource Center 860-253-5214.

## CHR & MOBILE CRISIS (211)

We want to be certain that you know EMPS/211 Mobile Crisis Services are available to support schools and families during this stressful time. They are providing phone consultation and telehealth virtual sessions to children and families.

Not only do they wish to continue to provide support to schools, but the parents/caregivers who feel the need for support with parenting stress or even their child's mental health or behavioral needs. Due to the pandemic, they are also screening families for health risk. This enables them to make decisions around the most high risk situations where an in-person response might be necessary.

If you need support... Dial 211, 1 and 1 again to reach the crisis team.

**Sarah Connors, LPC**

**Clinical Program Director**

**EMPS**

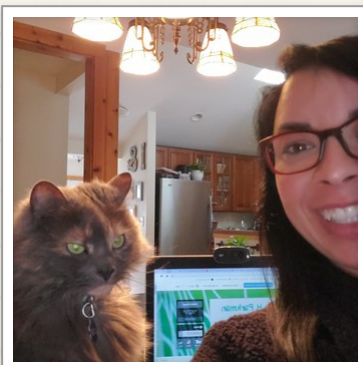
**T: (860) 730-8668 • F: (860) 645-4080**

**469 Center Street • Manchester • CT • 06040**

[www.chrhealth.org](http://www.chrhealth.org)

## EPS BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED

At this time all EPS buildings are closed to staff and families.



## MISS ROMAN, PRINCIPAL

Edgar H. Parkman Vision

Our vision is to **uphold a learning environment** that provides our school community with a **safe and welcoming atmosphere** where **engagement, collaboration, and accountability** are held **in high regard** by staff, students, and families.

Please feel welcome to reach out with any questions or concerns.

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