

**ERB 2008 – 2009**  
**4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students**

**Save the dates:** Feb. 2 - 6, 2009

<b>Who</b>	All 4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> students
<b>What</b>	Our students take six sections of the standardized CTP - 4 (Comprehension Testing Program) by Educational Records Bureau. There are four language arts and two math tests.
<b>When</b>	Feb. 2 - 6, 2009  Make-up week: Feb. 9 – 13, 2009
<b>How</b>	Emerson teachers administer the tests <b>during</b> the school day.
<b>Where</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> graders take the tests in their classrooms. 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> graders take the language tests with their LA/SS teachers and math tests with their math teacher
<b>Why</b>	Most independent schools administer standardized tests for the following reasons: as an independent measure of a student's current progress; watch for patterns of student's achievement over several years of testing; and an opportunity for students to experience timed standardized tests.

What should parents do:

**Reschedule doctor or dental appointments during this time.** Unfortunately, we are unable to proctor make-up tests for routine medical appointments, late arrivals, or absences due to family vacations. We will make every effort to accommodate families with unusual circumstances (bereavement or serious illnesses).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nancy Laitner 665-5662 ext. 119.