

Murray Lake Messenger

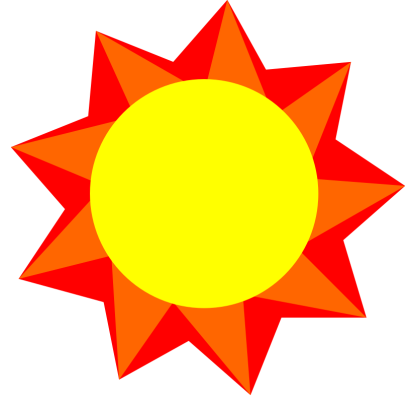
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April 14, 2017

From the Principal...

I hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing spring break! This week we got back into the swing of things again. It is hard to believe we only have 8 weeks of school left! As I mentioned before spring break, our students began taking (or will begin soon) the MSTEP and MAP (Measurement of Academic Progress) assessments. This testing will go on for the next month. Please remind your child to try his/her hardest on this assessment. These assessments give us great feedback on how much our students have grown academically through the school year. We use the data to help us evaluate our curriculum and our instructional practices. The data is only helpful if each student's data is valid and reflects his or her 100% effort.



Murray Lake is once again participating in the annual F.R.O.M. Food Fight competition. We will be collecting non-perishable food items starting April 24th through May 23rd. The classroom collecting the most items will earn a pizza party. The school donating the most items will get the cherished F.R.O.M. traveling trophy and bragging rights for a year. Murray Lake has won this competition for many years. However, last year we lost by just a few items. We want to bring the trophy back to MLE this year! If you are able please send in food items for the next few weeks to help with this worthwhile cause.

I want to congratulate our Staff Member of the Month, Lori Cyrocki. Lori was nominated for her hard work and dedication to teaching and also her willingness to help those around her. We are lucky to have Lori as one of our 2nd grade teachers! We appreciate everything she does to help make MLE a great place to be.

I also want to congratulate Michele Ostrander, for our Volunteer of the Month. Michelle volunteers in Mrs. Wilterink's class once a week and helps with various tasks in the classroom. We are grateful for the time she dedicates to MLE every week!

The Murray Lake third graders will be holding a Market Day during all lunch hours on Monday, April 24th. They will be selling goods and services that they have made themselves as part of their economics unit. All proceeds from the Market Day will go to either Kids' Food Basket or the Lowell Pink Arrow Project. So if your child is interested in purchasing any of these items, they will be selling them on the 24th. Prices range from 25¢ to \$5.00 per item.

We had a very productive week this week. Our students and teachers seemed rested and ready to finish the school year off with a bang! I see quality teaching and learning on a daily basis. Murray Lake is a GREAT place to be! Have a fantastic weekend!

Molly Burnett
Principal



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Care for Others

Student Placement Forms are now available for the 2017-18 school year!



See attached form or stop in our office for one.

MIDDLE SCHOOL EQUESTRIAN TEAM NEWS...



All 5th - 8th graders interested in the MS Equestrian Team, either as a rider or as a groom, are invited to an informational meeting, Monday, April 17 @ 7 pm, in the high school teacher's lounge next to the cafeteria.

Upcoming Events:

M-STEP & MAP TESTING ALL WEEK

Tuesday, April 18

Mother Son Dance, LHS Freshman Commons, 6-8 pm

Wednesday, April 19

Cub Scouts, 6-7:30 pm

Friday, April 21

School store during lunch

Monday, April 24

3rd gr Market Days during lunch

2nd gr to Meijer Gardens,
8:50 am-1:15 pm

FROM Food Fight begins

PBIS Store - 1st, 3rd and 5th , 11:30 am



Camp Invention coming in June

Children are presented with fun, hands-on challenges that encourage creative problem solving, team work, entrepreneurship, and innovation. For more information visit

www.campinvention.org.

Kent Innovation High School

1655 East Beltline Ave,

Grand Rapids, MI 49525

June 19-22, 2017, 8:00am – 4:00pm

Price \$225 before promo code of DISCOVER 25

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SUMMER SPORTS CAMP!

Summer athletic camp
registration is now open at:

lowellsportscamps.com

Information regarding student activities and community events can be found under
Extracurricular Activities on the Murray Lake Elementary website at:

<http://www.lowellschools.com/education/components/scrapbook/default.php?sectiondetailid=17461&>