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From the Principal...

As we finish the last school week of this calendar year, I want to take this time to wish all of you a very safe and happy holiday season. It can be very easy to take things in our life for granted. This time of year always makes me take time to be thankful for the many blessings in my life. I am truly grateful for my family and friends. I am also grateful for the wonderful staff, parents, and students that I work with at Murray Lake. I hope all you will have a very happy holiday season spent with family and friends.

Today will Never
come again. Be a
blessing. Be a friend.
Encourage someone.
Take time to care.

Over the upcoming holiday vacation, there will be lots of time for being outside, sleeping in, and playing video games. We hope your family also makes time for **READING**. Here are some reasons why:

- ✦ The more you read, the better you get at it.
- ✦ Reading leads to school success.
- ✦ Reading builds vocabulary.
- ✦ Reading builds confidence and independence.

Reading with your child supports his/her skills.

MLE students are encouraged to participate in our winter reading challenge. Decorate the mug, and read in different places listed on the marshmallows, or just mark the minutes read on a blank marshmallow (see attachment in eblast). Turn them into the office for a special treat when you return back to school in January.

Our school wide focus for the month of December was self control. Awards were given out this week to students who were nominated for showing great self control. Congratulations to those students! Our focus for the month of January will be **GRIT!** The PBIS Mustang Market was open this week as well. Students were able to use the Mustang Moments they've earned to enter drawings and buy trinkets.

Again, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and a wonderful holiday break! Enjoy your time off with your children. I look forward to starting 2024 at MLE. I hope you all have a restful and relaxing holiday season!

Molly Burnett, Principal

Character In Action!

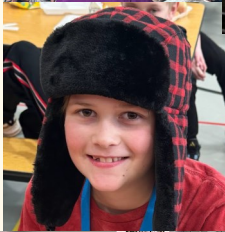
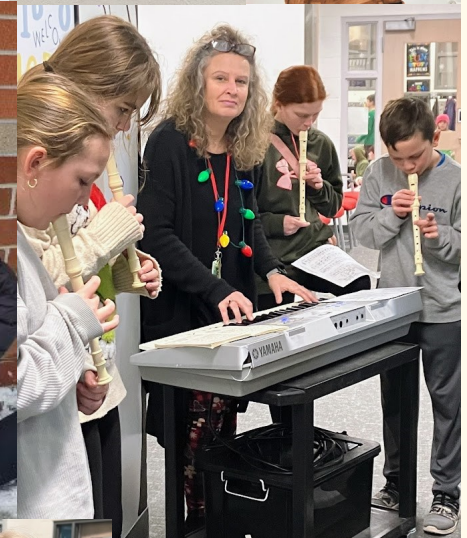
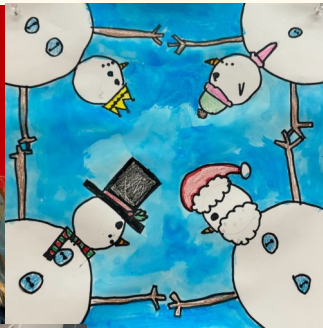


We value: Trustworthiness
Respect Responsibility
Fairness Caring Citizenship

Working together to: Achieve Academic Excellence
Build Self Esteem, and
Care for Others

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

2023



PBIS Lunch on the Stage and with the Principal!



Upcoming Events...

Holiday Break:
12/23/23—1/7/24



Wednesday, 1/10:
Child Study Day
Lipski to WWC, 9:10-1:30

Friday, 1/12:
School store during lunch

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

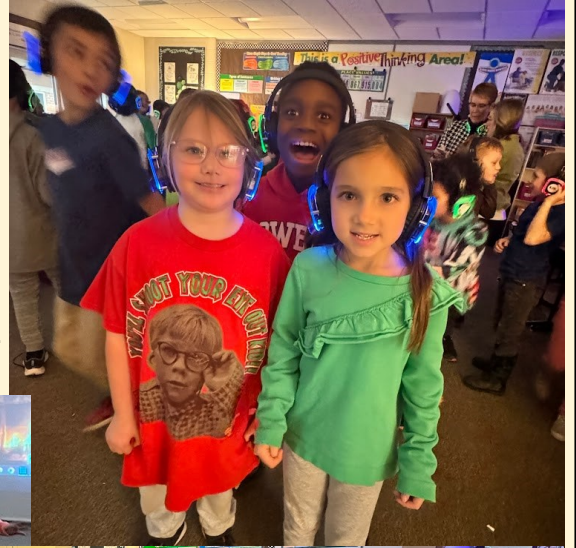
<http://www.lowellschools.com/student-activities/>



Silent Disco Party!

Mrs. Breuker's class celebrated the end of December with their 4th grade reading buddies in Mrs. Fuss's class by having a Silent Disco Party. Students were able to select one of three

playlists on their wireless headphones, while dancing in the classroom. This gave students an opportunity to show their best moves, and get some extra exercise during the school day. Individuals could listen to their musical selection at a volume that was comfortable for them. We had a blast!



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

