## Murray Lake Messenger

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## From the Principal....

Each year, following our holiday break, we hold a chess tournament during second recess for all third through fifth grade students. Chess is a great game for kids to learn. It teaches strategizing and problem solving. Our tournament is not instructional, so students need to know how to play chess to enter. If your child seems interested, you could teach them the game of chess over break. There are many tutorials about chess online. You can also play chess against others online as well.

I want to remind all of you that we hold monthly PBIS celebrations for all Murray Lake students who have not ended their day on red or multiple orange days. This month's celebration will be held on December 19. We will be having a Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree dance party! I'm looking forward to that!

I want to thank all of the parents who helped with our Santa Shop. The students get so excited about shopping for their family members. It also helps to teach the true meaning of the season, that caring for others is what life is all about and that more long lasting joy can be had from giving than receiving.

The snow has arrived! We do go out for outdoor recess when the wind chill is above zero degrees Fahrenheit. Please make sure your children have their winter coats, hats, gloves, etc. throughout this winter season.

Report cards are coming home today. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Although the excitement level from our students has certainly gone up over the past couple weeks, there is still quality teaching and learning taking place. I continue to be quite pleased with the lessons I observe as I walk through our classrooms. We truly have some outstanding teachers and students here at MLE. I hope all of you have a wonderful weekend.

Girls on the Run provides

Molly Burnett, Principal



For 3rd-5th grade girls,
Two days a week after school
Starts: Week of February 26
Ends: Celebration 5K is May 18, 2024

Registration:December 1-14

Registration opens Dec 18

Registration Fee: \$130

FOR MORE INFO AND TO REGISTER,
VISIT:

WWW.gotrwm.org

Coaches Needed!

Visit www.gotrwm.org/coach for more info and to get involved!

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Respect Responsibility
Fairness Caring Citizenship

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

## Upcoming Events:











Mrs. Cannon's class pooled all their Mustang Moments together to buy a class surprise from Mrs. Burnett, parachute time in the gym! We love it when they combine their tickets to benefit all! Positive behavior at its finest!





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/