

Murray Lake Messenger

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From the Principal....

Mid-term progress reports will be sent home by many teachers this week. Some of our upper elementary teachers direct you to check Infinite Campus for updated grades. Please review your child's grades and if you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Some teachers will be sending home our winter MAP scores this week. Some teachers are going to wait and give you these scores at conferences next month. Take a look at how your child has progressed from September to now. Our third through fifth grade students set goals around these scores in September. Please touch base with your child to see how he/she is progressing toward his/her goals. Our teachers also reviewed goals with the students this week. If you have questions about MAP scores please don't hesitate to contact your teacher or me.

Next Friday is Murray Lake Night at the boys' and girls' varsity basketball games at Lowell High School. All Murray Lake students will be admitted for free. We have attached an invitation to this newsletter. We will also send home hard copies of this invitation with our students next Friday.

By now, many of you have heard about the Offrink family. Shelby Offrink (Tomczak) was a Lowell graduate who I coached back in my younger years. She has been battling cancer for several months. Her husband Ben is also battling cancer. Their extended family and friends are helping to care for their two young daughters. Shelby was once again admitted to the hospital and Ben is dealing with chemo and radiation so that he can hopefully get a bone marrow transplant soon. We will be holding a spaghetti dinner the night of the Murray Lake Night at the basketball game next Friday at the high school from 5:30-7:00 pm. (\$5/person). All the food and labor has been donated, so all proceeds go to this family. I ask you to please consider attending the dinner and the games next Friday. This is such a wonderful family and helping them out financially would be wonderful. If you cannot attend the game but would still like to help, you can go to www.youcaring.com and search "Ben and Shelby 2015" and make a donation at this site.

We have certainly had a COLD and snowy winter to this point. It does not look like there is a lot of relief in sight. If the wind chill is above zero, we do go outside for recess. Please remember to dress your child appropriately for these cold temperatures.

We had another terrific week here at Murray Lake. It was certainly a COLD one, but I saw many examples of quality teaching and learning taking place each day. Murray Lake is a GREAT place to be. Have a wonderful weekend.

Brent R. Noskey, Principal

We value: Trustworthiness
Respect Responsibility
Fairness Caring Citizenship

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

Accelerated Readers!

5 PTS

Natalie Cornell
Emilyn Davidson
Jack Hughes
Sydney Luxford
Natalie McCune
Lainey Organek

10 PTS

Cooper Byrne
Brady Tinker
Kyle Anderson
Andrew Johnston
Makayla Totch

15 PTS

Delani Ostrander

25 PTS

Brylee Craycraft
Cody Foss
Kaylee Royer
Nathan Kramer
Taylor Rasch
Kelsey Stephens
Ryan Goggins
Autumn Lamoreaux
Alivia Morgan
Nolan Simmons
Tyler Boersen

Megan Lillie
Landon Hart
Nolan Jannenga
Katelyn Meyers
Maryanna O'Connor
Grace Richmond
Alanee Selover
Ava Skoog
Tyler Weller
Brooklyn Gavitt
Halle Goggins
Gabe Selover
Matilyn Vogel
Hope Kaminski
Nolan Lowrie

50 PTS

Lauren Pearson
Kaitlyn Smith
Drew Veldman
Logan Rose
Aaron Young
David Kaczanowski
Brooke Knottnerus
Alexis Royer
Khloe Delnick
Zeke Flentje
Emma McCormick
Jacob Cremer
Sean Truba

Anna Reedy
Ben Gaskin
Maya Kemp
Reed Sarniak
Faith VanDuinen
Avery Miles
Cole Opperman
Brianna Laux

75 PTS

Benjamin Bromley
Gracyn Hamilton
Emma Jenks
Emmitt Visscher
Jack Meier
Isabel Saffell
Emily German
Jaymie Johnson
Mia Tavarone
Olivia Torline
T.J. Hollern
Avery Miles
Cole Opperman
Brianna Laux

100 PTS

Brody Koewers
Josh Momany
Madalin Petersen
Leo Tavarone

Nathan Mohr

125 PTS

Colton Byrne
Connor Smith
Aiden Dial
Moe Paquette
Elle Jenks
Ari McFarland
Malia Garrison
Lauren Visscher

150 PTS

Emma Schmidt
Jacob DeVries
Malia Garrison
Lauren Visscher
Ramsey Ponchaud

175 PTS

Alex Covert
Kylie Albert
Ramsey Ponchaud
J.D. Bacon

200 PTS

Nick Williams
J.D. Bacon

250 PTS

Joseph Kovacs

275 PTS

Lillian Kooistra
Joseph Kovacs
Madelynn Visscher

300 PTS

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350 PTS

Jade Karasiewicz
Hunter Stepanovich

375 PTS

Hunter Stepanovich

400 PTS

Hope Kanouse
Hanna DeVries

425 PTS

Hope Kanouse
Hanna DeVries

450 PTS

Hanna DeVries

475 PTS

Hanna DeVries

Upcoming Events:

Friday, January 30

Youth Hockey Night, 8:00 pm

Saturday, January 31

St Patrick's Carnival, 6-8:30 pm

Wednesday, February 4

Blanding/Picarazzi to WWC, 9-12:30 pm

Great Am Fundraiser Kickoff, 11:40-1:10 pm

Titche Mark Walton Presentation,

12:30-1:50 pm

Thursday, February 5

Fuss to WWC, 9:00-12:30 pm

Friday, February 6

Offrink Fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner, High School, 5:30-7:00 pm

Elementary Night, HS Basketball Games, 6 & 7:30 pm

BOX TOP RESULTS

For the week of January 26-30

Picarazzi: 469

Blanding: 414

Pupel: 319



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&>