

# Murray Lake Messenger

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## From the Principal...

We ended March is Reading month with a bang! Our students read over 4,656 hours this month. That's over 194 days of straight reading. That is amazing! Our students earned a spirit week, a no homework night, extra recess, an assembly with a rock band, and a slushy party! We're having an assembly today and handing out a ton of really awesome prizes. We're also ending our day today with a slushy party. I want to thank our Family Links ladies for purchasing all the prizes and making the slushies to help make March a fantastic reading month!

Our winter chess tournament has finally come to a close. Congratulations to Nolan Lowrie, 1st place, Nicholas Lothian, 2nd place, and Logan Acheson, 3rd place! Great job, boys! We sure have some talented chess players at MLE.

Our fifth grade students will start taking the M-Step (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress) as soon as we get back from spring break. This is quite a challenging assessment, but our fifth graders put forth great effort this week. Our fifth graders will continue with M-Step for the next two weeks. Our third and fourth graders begin M-Step testing the week of May 1.

We had another wonderful week at Murray Lake. I continue to see amazing examples of teaching and learning in the classrooms. Murray Lake is a GREAT place to be!!! I hope all of you have a terrific and relaxing spring break!

Molly Burnett, Principal

### Upcoming Events:

**Friday, March 31-Sunday, April 9**

SPRING BREAK

**Monday, April 10**

Return to school

White Caps vouchers due

**Thursday, April 13**

Kindergarten Visitation

**Friday, April 14**

Ice Cream Sale during lunch

**Tuesday, April 18**

Mother Son Dance, 6-8 pm, LHS

### *Kindergarten Visitation 2017-18!*

Parents of children who will be five years old on or before September 1, 2017, are encouraged to request or pick up a kindergarten packet full of important information regarding enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year. **Please call our office asap to schedule visitation if you have not already done so, 987-2750.**

The Kindergarten Visitation for children turning 5 years old on or before September 1, 2017, will include your child enjoying a 45 minute classroom experience with a kindergarten teacher while the parents meet with the school Principal for an information meeting.

Kindergarten packets are available at Alto Elementary, Bushnell Elementary, and Murray Lake Elementary. Please pick up a packet at the school office where your child will be attending and schedule a visitation time for you and your child.

Alto Elementary - Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Bushnell Elementary - Friday, April 14, 2017

**Murray Lake Elementary - Thursday, April 13, 2017**

### **Last Chance for Yearbooks!**

Parents, if you would like to order a yearbook & haven't already, go to:

[www.geskusphoto.com](http://www.geskusphoto.com)

Click on Michigan Region, click on "ordering" & "school yearbooks," then choose your school, and follow the prompts from there. You can also call Geskus if you'd like to see if you already ordered one, 616/453-4170.

### **SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS!**

Summer athletic camp  
registration is now open at  
[lowellsportscamps.com](http://lowellsportscamps.com).

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