

Murray Lake Messenger

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From the Principal....

We continue to do so well with our March is Reading Month initiative. Thank you for all of your support at home. Students have read over 600 hours this week. They've earned a PJ/read-a-thon day, extra recess, a no homework night, free choice in the classroom, and hopefully a slushy party at the end of next week to kick off the start to Spring Break! We will also have our prize celebration late next week. For every hour a student read, they got a ticket to enter in a drawing. We will draw and hand out prizes late next week as well! Thanks to our Family Links ladies for purchasing all the prizes to help make March a fantastic reading month! Thank you, MLE families, for fundraising, which allows us to buy these items!



Congratulations to our Collaborative Team of the Week, our special area teachers! Mr. Allmon, Mrs. Coffman, and Mr. Steele consistently work together with our students and teachers to make art, gym, and music a great experience for all students. I appreciate their flexibility and willingness to work together (even though they teach completely different subjects)!

Our 5th 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. They will continue with M-STEP throughout the month of April. Our 3rd and 4th graders begin testing soon too. MAP and Acadience testing for kindergarten-5th grade starts soon as well! The end of the school year is near!

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 weekend!

Molly Burnett, Principal



Congrats to our amazing Specials Teachers, Collab Team of the Week!



PBIS Lunch on the Stage!



Whitecaps News!

We are participating in the Whitecaps Reading Club again this year.

Your child(ren) should have received a ticket form. For every 15 minutes they read, they fill out a square. When the triangle is complete, fill out the ticket order form and send in to the office at school.

The group date is Sunday, May 14, 2:00 pm. This is Mother's Day! Please have order forms turned in by 4/11/23.

2023-2024 School Calendar!

Next year's school calendar is now available on our website:

<https://www.lowellschools.com/our-district/calendar/>



Spring is in the air!

Upcoming Events:

Monday, Mar 27

Mustang Market

Tuesday, Mar 28

Staff vs Students Bball

Game, 2:05 pm

Wednesday, Mar 29

MIRM Slushy Party

Thursday, Mar 30

MIRM Prize Assembly, 2:10

Friday, Mar 31-Sun, Apr 9

SPRING
BREAK!



Lowell Community Expo!

When: Saturday, March 25, 2023
9:00 am-2:00 pm

Where: Lowell High School

Visit these non-profit booths & more Fallasburg Historical Society, Lowell Area Schools, Lowell Community Wellness, Lowell Area Trailway, Lowell Rotary Club, and many other nonprofit organizations.

Last Chance for Yearbooks!



Parents, if you would like to order a yearbook & haven't already, please do so by **3/30/23**. If you're unsure, you can contact Geskus to see if you already ordered one, <https://www.geskusphoto.com/contact-us> or 616/453-4170.

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/>