

Murray Lake Messenger

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From the Principal....

We ended March as Reading month with a bang! Our students read over 3,500 hours this month. I'm so proud of their work ethic! No task is impossible for those young Murray Lake Mustangs! They earned a no homework night, extra recess, free choice time in the classroom, and a slushy party! We're having an assembly today and will hand out a ton of really awesome prizes. I want to thank our Family Links ladies for purchasing all the prizes to help make March a fantastic reading month!

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. They will continue with M-STEP for the next two weeks. Our third and fourth graders begin testing the week of April 29. MAP and Acadience (DIBELS) testing starts for kindergarten-fifth grade the week of April 15 as well! The end of the school year is near!

We had another wonderful week at Murray Lake. We celebrated positive behavior by having a staff vs. 5th grade basketball game. K-5 students got to watch, cheer, and some were lucky enough to earn a prize during the game. It was a lot of fun!

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

PS April is Math Awareness Month! Please see newsletter and calendar attached for info and fun with numbers!

**PBIS
Lunch on
the Stage!**



**Character in
Action!**





**PBIS
Teachers vs
5th Grade
Basketball
Game!**



Upcoming Events:



Fri, Mar 31-Sun, Apr 9
SPRING BREAK!

Monday, April 10

Return to school

Tuesday, April 11

Whitecaps forms due

Wednesday, April 12

Child Study Day

M-STEP, 5th gr

Kids Have Rights, gr K-4

Thursday, April 13

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Friday, April 14

3rd Gr Wax Museum

Thank you to our parent
volunteers
for helping
make the
**MIRM
SLUSHY
PARTY** a
huge hit with
our students!



Whitecaps Reminder!



The group date is Sunday, 5/14, 2:00 pm. This is Mother's Day! Please have order forms turned in by 4/11/23.

Last Chance for Yearbooks!



Parents, if you would like to order a yearbook & haven't already, please do so by the end of the day, **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. The yearbooks will be delivered to the school in May and distributed all on the same day.

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/>