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From the Principal....

Thank you for the kindness extended to our staff during Staff Appreciation Week! Each day we enjoyed treats, including a luncheon, that made our hearts (and tummies) full. Our Family Links coordinated events each day, and we are grateful for the opportunity to work in a district with such tremendous support. Special thanks to our Family Links Moms, as well as all of the other families and volunteers that donated food and/or their time to help make our staff feel extra special! We are blessed to work in such a supportive community.



Don't forget to check out all of the summer camps that are taking place this summer. There are many great sports camps to choose from. Go to www.lowellsportscamps.com to sign up! Deadline is May 20 if you want to ensure receiving a t-shirt.

We are again running Arrows on the Move this summer. It is a free program and allows you to bring your student to our school libraries all over the district throughout the summer. Lowell's Englehardt Library will also be teaming up with us this summer as well. It is so important to keep your child reading throughout the summer, and if you don't make it a goal, it is easy to let the reading slip. Please consider signing your child up for this. I am also encouraging our students to access IXL online throughout the summer.

We kicked off MAP testing this week! First through fifth grade parents should be receiving MAP reports by the end of the school year. These reports show how your child has grown from the fall of this school year in math and reading. I am VERY impressed with our scores this spring. As a school, our scores show that Murray Lake students, as a whole, are higher academically than students across the nation and have grown significantly more than these same students. Although we do very well, we still use these MAP scores to evaluate our teaching and learning and look for areas of instruction where we can improve. If you have any questions about these scores, please do not hesitate to contact me.

It is hard to believe that we only have 3 more weeks of school left! Although our summer break is just around the corner, I continue to see quality teaching and learning on a daily basis. Murray Lake is a GREAT place to be. Have a terrific weekend!

Molly Burnett, Principal









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Last day for food/paper goods contributions is Monday, May 22.

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



Arrow Readers on the Move

Arrow Readers on the Move is a FREE mobile reading program, sponsored by Lowell Area Schools, that travels throughout our district. Students in grades K-5 may check out library books and take Accelerated Reader tests. Prizes are awarded to students meeting summer reading goals for their respective grade level.

To register, go to: https://www.lowellschools.com/our-district/ enrollment/arrow/

The 5th gr class pic will be taken on Monday, 5/15, 1:30 pm, by Geskus. The photo can be purchased via the link below through 5/23.

https://store.geskusphoto.com/ search/6857OTRJNGRKND

RETURN YOUR BOOKS RIGHT MEOW!



LIBRARY BOOKS DUE 5/19!

Upcoming Events

<u>Sunday, May 14</u>

Whitecaps Game, 2:00 pm

<u>Monday, May 15</u>

Byrne/Pike to Dairy Farm, 9:20 am-12:20 on Bright Beginnings Playgroup, 9:30-10:30 am 5th gr Class Photo, 1:30 pm

<u>Tuesday, May 16</u> Hearing & Vision Rescreening

<u>Wednesday, May 17</u> K/1st/2nd Field Day, 9:00-11:30 am

Yearbook distribution

<u>Thursday, May 18</u>

2nd Grade Tour Through Lowell, 9:00-11:30 am Byrne/Neubecker to Wittenbach, 9:15 am-1:30 pm

<u>Friday, May 19</u>

3rd Grade Market Day McGovern/Pike to Wittenbach, 9:15 am-1:30 pm

5TH GRADE GOLF OUTING!

Who: 5th Grade

When: Friday, May 26, 11:30-2:00 (this is a corrected time) Where: Arrowhead Golf Course *Please have your students bring water bottles!

Registration flyers are coming home Mon, 5/15, & are due back by 5/19!

3RD GRADE MARKET DAY!

When: Friday, May 19, during lunches!
Where: Cafeteria
Why: Hands on Economics! Proceeds go to Kids' Food Basket/ Gilda's Club.
Cost: 25¢ to \$5.00/item

Summer Academic Scholarships!

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Forms are due by May 19.

FIELD DAYS!

K-2nd Grade Wednesday, May 17 9:00am-11:30am

3rd & 4th Grade Tuesday, May 30 1:00pm-3:00pm

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/

