

Murray Lake Messenger

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From the Principal...

This time of year is a great time to spend with family and think about all the things for which we are thankful. It is also a time for giving. Our Cub Scout Pack 3189 is running a food drive until November 21. If you have any non-perishable food items, please send them into school by next Tuesday. They will be taking all food items to F.R.O.M for the holidays. We also have a family who is putting on a coat drive. If you have any coats that are no longer being used, feel free to send them into our school office. They will be donated to a good cause as well. It is so nice to see our students giving back to our community. It makes me proud to be a Murray Lake Mustang!



On Monday, November 20, at 10:00 am, some of our 5th graders will be presenting the, “We are Thankful for Our Veterans” program. This is a program that brings music and history together, all for the honor of the veterans in our community. Several 5th grade students have volunteered to participate in this event, where they will be singing patriotic songs, such as “You’re a Grand Old Flag” and “America the Beautiful” – as well as reading from famous historic documents and speeches, such as the First Amendment and Abraham Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address. We would like to invite any and all veterans and families from our community to attend this special program.

Thank you for your interest in the MLE Make Your Mark t-shirts. The order was placed this week! Shirts should be coming in the next couple of weeks. Once we get them, we’ll start having special Fridays when we wear them!

As you are well aware, the cold and flu season is upon us. I want to assure you that we are doing all we can to keep our students healthy. I add to my morning announcements that students need to wash their hands frequently throughout the day. Teachers are having students use soap and/or hand sanitizer before having snacks and before going to lunch. Our custodians are wiping things down nightly. Our teachers also have been given cleaner that kills viruses to use in their classroom. Although we can’t prevent all illnesses, I hope that our added precautions this fall will limit the number of illnesses we experience.

I hope all of you have a blessed Thanksgiving Day and break (after our Monday and Tuesday next week). I know I am looking forward to traveling out of state for good company and good eats! I hope you will share with your children how lucky we are to have all of the blessings (health, family, faith, food, shelter, etc.) that have been given to us, especially since many children in our world do not even know where their next meal will come from. I am also truly thankful for being a part of our Murray Lake family. We have outstanding teachers, students and parents!!! I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and a great Thanksgiving break.



Molly Burnett, Principal

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We value: Trustworthiness
Respect Responsibility
Fairness Caring Citizenship

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

Upcoming Events:

Monday, November 20

5th gr Veterans Program, 10-11:00
5th gr Thanksgiving Feast

Tuesday, November 21

Report cards go home
PBIS Game Day in the classroom
Kindergarten Grandparents Day,
10:30-12:00

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22-24

*NO SCHOOL,
THANKSGIVING BREAK*

FOOD DRIVE: The Boy Scouts and F.R.O.M. are holding a food drive for the Thanksgiving holiday thru Nov 21. Each classroom will have a collection box. 1st place gets a pizza party, 2nd an ice cream party. See flyer attached.



Lowell Elementary Ski/Snowboard Club!

Please click on the links below (or copy/paste into your browser) for info on this year's Lowell Ski/Snowboard Club:

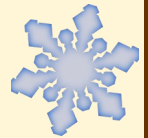
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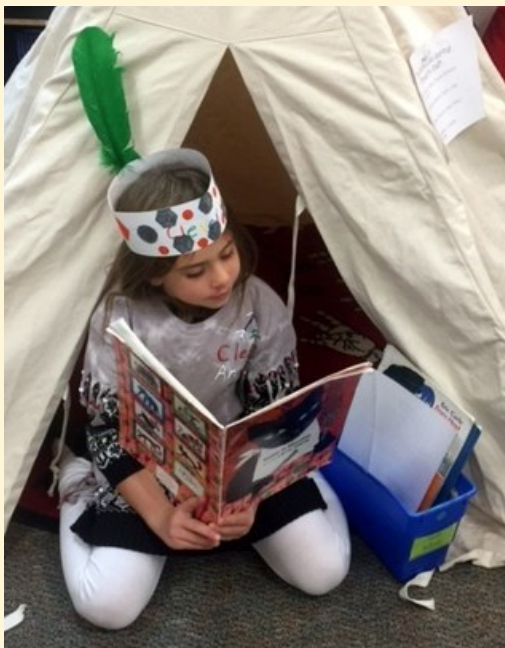
You must sign up by December 1, 2017. Please contact Karla Byrne, kbyrne@lowellschools.com, with any questions.



Pilgrims and Native Americans

MLE first graders are learning about life long ago and comparing it to how we live today. Specifically, they are focusing on Pilgrims and Native Americans around the time of the first Thanksgiving. Students choose a Native American name for themselves during the unit.

They make a Native American "shirt" and learn how to bead them. Students also create stories using picture symbols on "buckskin" instead of words on paper.



Information regarding student activities and community events can be found under Extracurricular Activities on the Murray Lake Elementary website at:

www.lowellschools.com/student-activities/