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## From the Principal....

I want to thank you all for your support of *Mustangs on the Move*. We raised over **\$34,000!!!!** That is incredible! I am extremely humbled by the generosity of our families. I again want to thank all of our Family Links parent volunteers who have worked diligently to pull this event off. We could not do this without the hundreds of hours of planning they put into this event. I will keep you posted on how we spend this money. The plan is to use most of it for playground improvements and for teacher resources within the classrooms.





It was a great Homecoming and Spirit week! Thank you to everyone who brought a little extra spirit this week with our dress up days! It certainly was a fun and entertaining week.

Parent Teacher conferences are next week! Please make sure to sign up for a time slot with your child's teacher(s) if you haven't already (sign ups attached). Conferences can help develop a successful partnership between parents and teachers, an important aspect of your child's academic and social achievement. I hope you all can find time to attend to hear all the amazing things that your child has been doing so far this year. The Book Fair will be open during conferences as well so make sure to stop on the stage to visit.

We will celebrate Halloween at school on Tuesday, October 31. Classrooms will be having individual parties so be on the look out for that information coming home from your child's teacher. We will also host our Halloween parade outside (weather permitting). The parade will start at 10:45am. Reminder that this is a half day of school (12:00pm dismissal)!

Our student council elections are final. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade board members are as follows: President-Brooke Rangel, Vice President-Nora Doyle, Treasurer-Vivian Smith, Secretary-Ella Aldrich, and Public Relations Officer-Tessa Culver. General 5th grade board members are: Landrie Swayze, Jose Dykstra, Eliza Aupperlee, Liza Nyahoda, and Lydia Ort. 4<sup>th</sup> grade representatives are: Addie Homolka, Eleanor Meir, Lain Jamison, Kathryn Briggs, Mila Vosovic, Reese Marek, and Emma Henige. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade representatives are: Everleigh Koval, Tommy Forney, Dominick Mitchell, Casen Doyle, Bennett Antonides, Ailey Meyers, and Hadley Graham. I want to thank all of our students who ran for student council. They showed tremendous courage by running for office and sharing a speech in front of their

peers. The student council will help me make several decisions and plan many events this school year.

Congratulations to our kindergarten team (pictured L to R: Karla Byrne, Lauren Neubecker, Amy Pike, and Maria McGovern! They have been named our Collaborative Team of the Week! This team has been working hard to adjust teaching practices based on research and implement a new phonics program. They work really well together to support ALL students! They are Extraordinary!

We have had a wonderful week at MLE. It is truly a great place to be! I feel honored to be a part of this amazing school community. I continuously see students "making their mark" in all areas of the school. When your children get home today, ask them how they "made their mark" at school! Have a great weekend! Go Red Arrows!!!



Molly Burnett Principal



CONGRATULATIONS, DIRECTORY COVER CONTEST WINNERS, Reese Marek & Alex Trujillo!



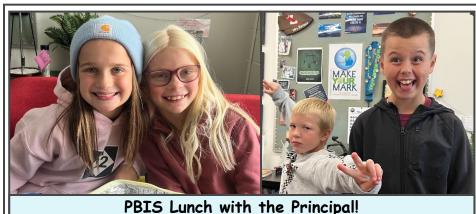
Directories will be coming home soon!



Upcoming Events:

Monday, October 16 Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-8:00 pm Wednesday, October 18 Lion Heart, 9:30-10:30 am Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:00-8:00 pm Thursday, October 19 Bright Beginnings Playgroup, gym, 9:00-10:30 am Friday, October 20 Cannon to WWC, 9:10 am-1:30 pm







## <u>Yearbook Cover Contest</u> All students are invited to submit a design for the cover of the 2023 24 MLE Veen

for the cover of the 2023-24 MLE Yearbook. Designs must be on 8-1/2x11 paper and cannot be computer generated. Entries are due by November 16.



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/