

Murray Lake Messenger

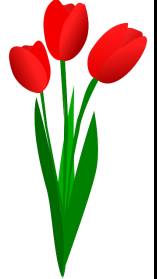
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From the Principal...

We are into the heart of testing season. Murray Lake 5th graders continued M-STEP testing this week. Students were focused and did their best. They took the math and social studies assessments this week. Next week, they will complete the final science assessment. 3rd grade also starts M-STEP next week as well. M-STEP is required by the state and is an important measure of proficiency. We appreciate your support in getting students to school on time and ready to test (rested, positive attitude, breakfast). Another required assessment that our students take is the MAP test. Students in 1st through 5th grade will start taking that assessment soon as well. Some started this week! I know our students will do great. They have worked so hard this year and I am proud of each and every one of them.



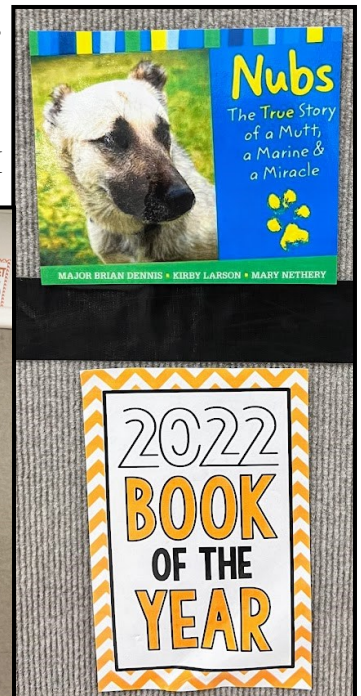
This spring, our school is completing safety drills as required by the State of Michigan: 5 fire drills, 3 lock-down drills, and 3 tornado drills. Students have been doing a great job with drills. We were assisted by our District's Kent County sheriff deputy, Todd Summerhayes. The State of Michigan has helpful handouts that can be used for emergency family plans too. Resources can be printed from this site:

www.michigan.gov/MIREADY. Ideas for keeping family and pets safe in an emergency, checklists, and communication plan information are provided. Does your child know your family plan in case of a fire or tornado? We hope this resource is helpful.

It has been another busy week at Murray Lake. I was a bit chilly this week! As I look at the forecast, I see warmer temperatures in sight! I hope you have a wonderful and relaxing weekend!

Molly Burnett
Principal

March is Reading
Month was a Huge
Success!



Summer Academic Scholarships!

See attached for more info and go to the following link to apply: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfAxSQtkaxMVnMScmi72c4Ty4AXEfevMUgdTM7P0r2L1giEaQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

We value: Trustworthiness
Respect Responsibility
Fairness Caring Citizenship

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



Student Art!



Student Placement Forms are now available for the 2022-23 school year!



See attached form or stop in our office for one.

Summer Athletic Youth Camps!

Online registration is now open! Check out our listing of sports camps at:



<https://www.lowellsportscamps.com/>

Registration and payment should be completed at this site.

Upcoming Events:

MAP & M-STEP TESTING ALL WEEK

Tuesday, April 26

Mileage Club, 1:30-3:15

Friday, April 29

Mileage Club, 1:30-3:15



Attn Parents of 5th Graders!

A parent orientation night will be held at the Lowell Middle School gym on Wednesday, May 11, 7:00-8:00 pm. This night is intended for parents only, as 5th grade students will get a separate time to visit the middle school with their classes. If you have an incoming 6th grade student for the 22-23 school year, please plan on attending this evening to hear from middle school office staff and gain information about what to expect in the coming years. We look forward to seeing you!

Ukraine Time for Kids Fundraiser

MLE raised \$564.50 for Ukrainian children through United Reading Foundation. That's equal to 16,660.38 Ukrainian Hryvni! Way to go, MLE students and families! Thank you!

Internal Schools of Choice

The open enrollment period for the 2022-2023 school year will be April 11 - May 13. Applications will be available on April 11. Please go to <https://www.lowellschools.com/our-district/enrollment/schools-of-choice/> for more info.

Mileage Club Volunteers Needed!

Family Links is looking for [volunteers](#) to help with our Mileage Club! Mileage Club is an optional walking/running program that students participate in during PM recess time. It is designed to promote good health and joyful movement. For every lap around the track (1/4 mile) students receive a punch on their card. When they reach 1 mile, they receive a token for their lanyard. When they accumulate 5 miles, they receive a special token and a small prize! Volunteers will help set up the running course, punch lap cards and distribute awards. Sign up [HERE!](#)



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054DA4AA23A7F85-mlemileage>

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/>