

Murray Lake Messenger

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From the Principal....

I want to thank you all for your support of *Mustangs on the Move*. We are still collecting donations for this and I am extremely pleased with how generous our families are. We will continue to collect the donations through next Thursday, as *Mustangs on the Move* will take place on Friday. I also want to thank all of our moms who have worked diligently to pull this event off. We could not do this without the MANY hours of planning they put into this event.

Next week is Health Week at Murray Lake! We have fun, healthy activities planned for every day of the week. Students who participate in these activities will receive a ticket to put into a drawing for a prize during *Mustangs on the Move*. **Monday** is fitness with Tabitha during last recess. **Tuesday** is a fun, healthy snack during lunch. **Wednesday** there will be an inflatable obstacle course here that all students will get to run on. **Thursday** will be another fun, healthy snack at lunch. Finally, **Friday** is our Walk-A-Thon day and prize assembly.



It's also Homecoming week for the high school! We are going to participate in the homecoming festivities as well. **Monday**-polka dot and stripes day. **Tuesday**-sports day. **Wednesday**-Hawaiian day. **Thursday**-pajama day. **Friday**-Lowell Spirit Day-wear red, white, black, and/or pink. I'm looking forward to a fun-filled, spirited, and healthy week!

I want to congratulate Susan Barry as our Volunteer of the Month! Susan volunteers in the kindergarten classrooms on a weekly basis. She enjoys volunteering her time in the classroom by helping with assessments, reading with students, managing literacy stations, and preparing materials. Most recently, Susan was a huge support to all of the kindergarten teachers by helping them with the new Kindergarten Readiness Assessment. She's an amazing volunteer! "After retiring from 30 years of teaching, I was afraid I might miss watching students learn something new and being a part of that process. I am so excited to have the opportunity to volunteer at Murray Lake. I get the chance to reconnect with staff I had taught with in the past AND work with students excited to learn. I enjoy the creative and nurturing atmosphere found at Murray Lake," said Barry.

I also want to congratulate our Staff Member of the Month, Nicole Bosco! Nicole comes up with such creative activities to engage her students. She finds ways to reach all types of learners and gets them excited about the process and history of art, in all forms. She truly cares about every one of her students. She has a huge heart and shares it with students at Bushnell, St. Pat's, and Murray Lake. We are lucky to have Mrs. Bosco here at MLE! Commented Bosco, "I've been teaching art for 16 years!!! I love teaching at Murray Lake because of the awesome students and the staff. They are like family to me. All 4 of my kids go to school in the district because we love Lowell so much! I'm so honored to teach and live in this community."

Our students continue to do a great job being Safe, Responsible, and Respectful. They earn *Mustang Moment* tickets when staff members see them putting these traits into action. They will be able to trade these tickets in for many different items and privileges throughout the school year.

We have had a wonderful week at MLE. It is truly a great place to be! I continue to see outstanding examples of teaching and learning in our classrooms. Have a great weekend!

Molly Burnett, Principal

We value: Trustworthiness
Respect Responsibility
Fairness Caring Citizenship

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

Upcoming Events:

Monday, October 8

Polka Dot and Stripes Day

Tuesday, October 9

Sports Day

Parent Teacher Conferences,
4:30-8:45 pm

Mileage Club during 2nd recess

Wednesday, October 10

Hawaiian Day

1st gr to Red Barn, 9:15 am

Thursday, October 11

Pajama Day

Girls Scouts Mtg, Troop 8138,
5:30-8:00 pm

Friday, October 12

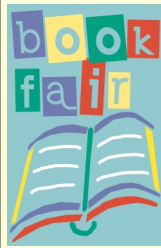
Red Arrow Spirit Day

Walk-a-thon

Homecoming

Monday, October 15

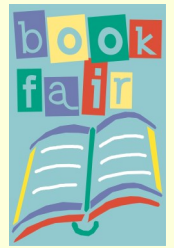
Picture Day



Book Fair Next Week!

Tues, 10/9: 9 am-9 pm

Wed, 10/10: 9 am-10 am
(last call)



Box Tops Contest

Family Links will hold two collection contests (one in the fall and one in the spring). The classroom that collects the most box tops will earn a pizza party. Prizes are also given to the 2nd place (ice cream treat) and 3rd place (candy treat) classrooms. Our fall box tops contest is being held through 10/25. If possible, please cut the box tops neatly! Students can turn them in to their teachers. Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE: We also accept School Spirit labels from Aunt Millie's products. Campbell's Labels for Education program, however, has been discontinued.



Weekly Box Top Winners

1st Place: Mrs. Simmons—268
2nd Place: Mrs. Lancioni—201
3rd Place: Mrs. Durfee—191



Congrats, Character in Action Winners!



Attention 3rd Grade Parents!

Parents of Mrs. Will's and Mrs. Lancioni's classes, we need volunteers for the GRPM Immerse Week! If a relative or you, yourself, would like to volunteer, please go to the links below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084faea728a4fc1-grand>

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054eadaf28a4fe3-grand>

Please contact Rosa Lancioni, rlancioni@lowellschools.com, with questions. Thank you!

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/

Yearbook Cover Contest

All students are invited to submit a design for the cover of the 2018-19 Murray Lake Yearbook. Designs must be on 8-1/2x11 paper and cannot be computer generated. Entries are due by November 2.

Congrats,
Mrs. Bosco,
Staff
Member
of the
Month!



Pictured: Mrs. Bosco, with Mrs. Durfee's 2nd gr class!



Mustangs on the Move 2018

It's time for our walk-a-thon and we need your help! We need volunteers 10/9-10/12. Please go to the link below to sign up! Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e48aca923a0fe3-mustangs>



Congrats, Susan
Barry, Volunteer of
the Month!



Pictured: Mrs. Barry, with Mrs. Byrne's kindergarten class!



Our 4th gr classes visited ArtPrize last week!