

# Marshall Elementary School

## 2015/16 Marshall Messenger

Doing our **BEST** work  
Being our **BEST** selves



Thursday, May 12, 2016

### Weekly Calendar

#### 8:10 a.m. – Supervision Begins

- Students should not arrive prior to 8:10 a.m. unless attending the St. Mark's Program

#### 8:10 a.m. – Breakfast Begins

#### 8:25 a.m. – First Bell

#### 8:40 a.m. – Tardy Bell

#### 3:20 p.m. – Dismissal

- Note: students not picked up by 3:30 p.m. will be sent to the office to call for a ride

AM Preschool: 8:35-11:05 a.m.

PM Preschool: 12:45-3:15 p.m.

#### Monday 5/16/16

No Calendar Events

#### Tuesday 5/17/16

No Calendar Events

#### Wednesday 5/18/16

8:50 am – 2 X 2 (2HO)

9:50 am – 2 X 2 (2HE)

12:45 pm – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Trolley Ride

#### Thursday 5/19/16

Take Home Folders go home

#### Friday 5/20/16

1-hour late start (Teacher PD)

10:00 am – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Heritage Pond

2:00 pm – Battle of the Books

### Upcoming Events...

5/23 – Band Concert @ Marshall

5/24 – Passport 2 Summer

5/24 – Family Fun Night

5/27 – Last Day for Leisure Services

5/27 – Kdg. to Eagle Point Park

5/30 – No School (Memorial Day)

6/2 – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to Swiss Valley

### Principal's Corner

**Save the Date:** The 5th grade Celebration of Learning Day is set for Friday, June 3 at 2:00 p.m. We are looking forward to seeing everyone and sharing our collection of work throughout our years at Marshall. Once the program ends, you will be allowed to take your child with you.

**Pool Day:** Our end of year Pool Day has been scheduled for Monday, June 6 (weather permitting). Please watch for more information on Pool Day to be coming home soon.

**Dogs:** Dogs are not allowed on school grounds at arrival and dismissal times. Please either keep your dog at home or in the car when coming to the courtyard to pick up your child.

**Last Day of School:** The last day of school for the 2015/16 school year is scheduled for Monday, June 6. This is a full day of school.

**Contact Information:** Please be sure to contact the school office if your contact information (address, phone numbers, etc.) has recently changed. It is always good for the school office to have the most accurate contact information for each family. Additionally, we want to ensure that registration information for the 2016/17 school year is sent to the correct addresses.

### St. Mark's...

There will be **NO** St. Mark's programming after school on Thursday, May 12 and before and after school on Friday, May 13.

The last day for all St. Mark's programming for the 2015/16 school year will be Friday, June 3.

### Leisure Services...

The last day for all Leisure Services programming for the 2015/16 school year will be Friday, May 27.

### Walk-A-Thon...

Remember that all donations for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Marshall Walk-a-Thon are due to school. Our school goal is \$1,500 that will go towards field trips for the 2016/17 school year. Please make any checks out to: **Marshall PTO.**



**It's a Great Day to be a Marshall Eagle!**

## Art News...

(Author's note: Matt Morehouse, my friend and colleague, is the art instructor at Jefferson Middle School. Every spring we have the same conversation: "What are you sending me next year, Lerche?")

Dear Matt-

The 5th graders I'm sending you next year are an odd collection of truly beautiful kids. No two are alike, that's for sure. You'll find among them, a talker, a thinker, a tinkerer, a risk taker, a planner, a perfectionist, a procrastinator, a storyteller, a jokester, and a neat freak, among the mess-makers. Some of them are intense, others laid back. Some notice every detail, some delight in being clueless. There are introverts and extroverts and everything in-between. All of them have a well-defined personality. They are exactly the same as I remember them to be when they were in kindergarten, weaving and waving their way in a line down the hallway, except now they're taller than me.

When I watch them, I notice how accepting of each other's differences they have become. In the complicated world that is 5th grade, they mostly get along. This class will keep you on your toes, because they acknowledge their own their own uniqueness and they have no problem celebrating it! Their ability to self express will keep your art classes interesting. Hold their feet to the fire. They'll tell you it's too hard, but they will always accept the challenge and go for it. They have the goods. They have the fire and the skill.

They'll try to drive you crazy, of course, and some days they'll succeed, but this is a class that bounces back, never holds a grudge, and will make you laugh

more days than not. They have good hearts, each and every one.

If I could keep them, I would. But they are so ready to go onto the new adventure that middle school offers. The 5th graders I'm sending you next year are the best of the best. I hope you grow to love them as much as I did.

Mrs. Lerche

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## Third Grade News...

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of 3rd grade, but we are still keeping busy and working hard in our classrooms! In LEAD 21, we recently wrapped up Unit 6, which was about extreme environments. We will be beginning Unit 7 which focuses on ways people make a difference. In math, students have been learning about fractions and working with telling time including elapsed time and converting minutes in to hours and minutes. Along with continuing to practice multiplication facts throughout the next few weeks we will explore decimals, volume, and continue to practice multi-digit addition and subtraction problems with estimation. Our new science kits arrived and we began and will be investigating water through different hands on experiments including water observations, hot and cold water, water vapor, and the water cycle. On Friday, May 13th students will watch and listen to a presentation called Kids on the Block with a focus on disabilities and on Wednesday, May 18th the 3rd graders will be taking a Dubuque Trolley around to different historical landmarks of Dubuque. The 3rd grade teachers would like to thank parents for their efforts at home to help support students with reading, spelling, and math!

Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Olberding and Mrs. Tauber

## Clothing Guidelines...

Below are the guidelines established for the clothing students wear to school. If students wear clothing that is unacceptable, we will ask them to change or cover up.

\* Wear shirts that cover the shoulders (straps at least 1" wide). This would exclude, as an example, halter tops, back-less shirts, spaghetti straps, strapless tops, tube tops or muscle shirts (with a deep hole under the armpit).

\* Shirts and tops should not be cut low in the front or back and should be long enough to tuck into shorts, skirts or pants (no mid-section skin showing).

\* Avoid short shorts or short skirts and very low cut pants. Mid-thigh or longer is a comfortable and modest length for shorts and skirts. Please select shorts, pants or skirts that do not have a low cut waist.

\* Due to hygiene and health concerns, Do Rags, caps, scarves, sport head bands and wrist bands should not be brought to school.

\* Protect your children's toes and feet by sending them in sensible shoes which allow them to walk, run, and play safely. Lace-up or slip-on shoes that cover the entire foot are expected to be worn at all times. In addition to other foot wear that school officials would deem unsafe, the following items are not allowed to be worn to school: flip-flops and other "open-toed" or "open-heel" sandals, high heel/platform shoes or boots and oversized shoes/boots.

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