

Marshall Elementary School

2015/16 Marshall Messenger

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



Thursday, February 4, 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 2/8/16

No Calendar Events

Tuesday 2/9/16

No Calendar Events

Wednesday 2/10/16

No Calendar Events

Thursday 2/11/16

Take Home Folders go home

Friday 2/12/16

1-hour late start (Teacher PD)

Upcoming Events...

- 2/23 – Kdg / 3rd Grade Music Program
- 2/23 – No PM Programming
- 2/26 – 1st Grade to River Museum
- 3/1 – Marshall PTO Mtg.
- 3/1 – Community Groups
- 3/1 – Conferences
- 3/2 – Conferences
- 3/3 – Conferences
- 3/3 and 3/4 – No School

Principal's Corner

2016/17 Preschool: The Dubuque Community School District will be accepting registrations for the 2016/17 State-Wide Voluntary Preschool Program. Registrations are currently being accepted. Children must be four years old by September 15, 2016. All four-year-olds are eligible if they are a resident of the state of Iowa. You must provide proof-of-age upon registration, so please bring a birth-certificate, passport, or a signed immunization record as proof-of-age. Please contact the school office for more information.

2016/17 Kindergarten:

On Tuesday, February 16 we will hold office hours of 3:30-6:00 p.m. to receive paperwork for all incoming kindergarten students for the 2016/17 school year. This is an opportunity for parents to complete the necessary paperwork they need to have on file prior to their child registering for kindergarten this summer.

Families should have received a mailing from the district office. However, if you did not receive this information and you have an incoming kindergartner, please plan to attend this event. We will host an Open House event later in the year, so students do not need to attend this event. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

SES Program...

Qualifying families received a letter that offers Supplemental Education Services or tutoring. If you received this letter in the mail, we encourage you to take part in this free service. If you have questions please contact the school office (552-4100) or Carol Duehr (552-5772) or Heather Gudenkauf (552-5778)



Mrs. Galusha with 5th Grade putting on a short guitar concert for the office.

Give Kids a Smile...

Midwest Dental Dubuque will be participating in Give Kids a Smile on Friday, February 5 from 8AM – 12PM @ 2055 Holliday Drive in Dubuque! This is a program where dentists and their dental team provide **FREE** oral health care services to children from underserved communities across the country. This opportunity is open to children 3-12 years old. **Schedule an appointment today by calling 588-2585.**

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

First Grade News...

We have just finished Unit 4 in LEAD21, where we focused on our Earth. We enjoyed learning about natural resources, including how we use them and how we should conserve them. During this unit, we were able to learn about comprehension skills, such as visualizing, drawing conclusions, and making connections. We were also excited to learn about different types of words, such as antonyms, synonyms, and homonyms.

We have been busy in math learning about subtraction and place value. We created and solved many story problems that require us to take-away. We have also counted large numbers of items, such as beans and cubes, so that we could understand the effectiveness of grouping and counting by 10s and 1s (leftovers).

We are currently learning about plants and animals in science. We planted rye grass and alfalfa seeds in our "lawns". We even planted wheat in a straw! We have focused on learning what plants need to survive; we have also identified plants parts and what their jobs are. It was very interesting to learn how seeds can travel! In the next few weeks, we will plant bulbs and learn about different animals in different habitats. We will also set up our plant/animal terrariums. The students are looking forward to the arrival of our bugs!

First Grade celebrated the 100th day of school TODAY! We were able to participate in many fun activities and workstations that all focused on the number 100. We were most excited that we are now 100 days smarter! We look forward to celebrating "Friendship Day" next Fri., Feb. 12.

We look forward to seeing all families at conferences.

Mrs. May and Mrs. Runde

Winter Weather Guidelines...

* Students will be outside in the morning for line-up and for recess if the wind chill is **zero degrees** or above, so make sure they always wear the proper clothing for the weather.

* All students are required to bring boots to school every day beginning with the first snowfall. Additionally, students should have winter coats, hats and mittens / gloves at school each day.

* Students should have an extra pair of shoes at school (in addition to their boots), so they have something dry to wear on their feet during the school day.

* If students do not have boots they will be expected to remain on the blacktop at recess time, in order to keep their shoes and feet dry.

* All students who play in the snow or on the field are required to wear snow pants, hat, gloves and boots.

* **Note:** Families who need hats or gloves/mittens for their child should contact the school office as we have received donations from community groups for these items. Families are strongly encouraged to label your child's clothing with their first and last name. This will assist students to locate any lost or misplaced items.



Members of the Marshall Minions FLL Team getting ready to lead the Pledge of Allegiance @ a recent DCSD School Board Meeting

DCSD - Food Service Substitutes Needed...

Food and Nutrition Services has employment opportunities available for substitute food service workers across the district. High school diploma required.

Applications available at:
www.dbqschools.org
Click on Careers

FIRST 5 School Bus Rules...

- * Sit facing forward and stay seated @ **all times**.
- * Do **NOT** distract the driver with inappropriate behavior.
- * **Respect** the driver, attendant, and other students.
- * Do **NOT** bully or harass physically or verbally.
- * **NO** eating or drinking on the bus and "leave no trace"

Spelling Bee...

Congratulations to our Marshall Spellers that competed in the sectional spelling bee competition at Clarke University. Ariana Mendez, Macaiah Peil, and Cassidy Digmann did a great job representing Marshall. Macaiah placed in the top 10 and will move on to the regional competition in March.