

Marshall Elementary School

2015/16 Marshall Messenger

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



Thursday, March 17, 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 3/21/16

No Calendar Events

Tuesday 3/22/16

No Calendar Events

Wednesday 3/23/16

Take Home Folders go home

Thursday 3/24/16

No School (Teacher PD Day)

Friday 3/25/16

No School

Upcoming Events...

3/28 – No School

3/29 – 5th Grade to Planetarium

4/1 – Community Groups

4/4 – Jefferson Students visit 5th Grade

4/5 – Jefferson Open House

4/5 – Marshall PTO Mtg.

4/6 – Marshall Site Council Mtg.

4/8 – Marshall PTO Family Dance

4/12 – 1st Grade to E.B. Lyons

4/12 – 16/17 Kdg. Open House

4/13 – Loras Mini Dance Marathon

Principal's Corner

2016/17 Kindergarten

Open House: We will be hosting a **Kindergarten Open House on April 12 from 5:00-6:30 p.m.** A letter will be mailed to all prospective kindergarten students and their families in a couple weeks. Please contact the school office to RSVP for the Open House or with any registration questions.

2016/17 Preschool: We are accepting registrations for the 2016/17 State-Wide Voluntary Preschool Program. 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. Please contact the school office for more information.

Crosswalks: For the safety of your children, parents are urged to use the crosswalk, at the lights, when crossing Rhomberg Ave. We have staff there to assist students and parents in getting across the street safely.

Dogs: Due to health and safety reasons, 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.

Dubuque Arts Council News...

Thanks to the Dubuque Arts Council Marshall 3rd – 5th graders were recently able to enjoy an assembly about Abraham Lincoln.

Actor, Danny Russel states "Our 16th President is both hilarious and heart-breaking in his journey from a log cabin to the White House." Hilarious and heartbreaking, this portrayal covers Abraham Lincoln's life from a log cabin to the White House. He examines his childhood "laziness" -- he preferred reading to laboring in the fields -- as well as the deaths of his mother and sister, numerous failures in business, time as a prairie lawyer, his family life, political aspirations, Civil War tragedy and triumph, freeing slaves, delivering brilliant speeches and holding the fractious Union together.



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

Title News...

Spring Your Kids Forward with Reading and Writing

The snow has melted. Winter is almost over. You can once again open your windows for that fresh wafting breeze. That means summer is almost here! Where has the time gone? How much have your children read during the winter slumber months?

Let Your Kids Pick



We all love doing the things we enjoy the most. We love reading what we are interested in. The same goes for our children. Let your children pick what they want to read and have them read it!

Who Doesn't Like Fun?



Who doesn't like some fun? Make reading into a fun event with your child. We know the iPads and screens are rather luring for your children. But any book can take a child on the wildest of adventures. They can leave the iPad at home for this journey.

Monkey See - Monkey Do



Reading isn't only for good for our children, it's good for us too! How did we learn most of the stuff that we know? We saw our parents doing it. So try picking up a book and getting sucked into a story to take you away from all your stresses. Your children will see this and will want to read as well!

Mrs. Felderman
Mrs. Moldenhauer

First Grade News...

Thank you to those families that attended conferences. We were so excited to share the learning and the progress your children have made this year. You all must be very proud! In math, we have been working on addition and subtraction problems, especially making 10 and doubles. We even learned how to play a few games with cards and dice that help us practice making 10! We will continue to solve different types of story problems that require the first graders to explain their thinking to others. Many first graders can solve the problems successfully but have difficulty putting their thinking into words so others understand how they solved a problem.

We had the opportunity to travel to the National Mississippi River Museum. The children had a great time learning new facts about the animals and their habitats.

A few things they learned were:
* Snakes and frogs smell with their tongues
* Fish breathe with their gills
* Reptiles are cold blooded animals, we are warm blooded animals

We also celebrated Read Across America Day on March 2nd, by reading a variety of Dr. Seuss books and completing fun

activities to go along with them. One activity we did was creating our own "magical" sock. Then the students wrote about what their sock looked like and what would happen if we put that sock on. The children loved using their imaginations!

Mrs. May and Mrs. Runde

PE News...

We are getting ready to start our third trimester here at Marshall, and with that, the final pacer and half-mile test at the end of the school year. We are really trying to push the students to improve their running abilities. I have challenged each individual student to show an improvement from their first trimester times and scores. We are doing partner pacers as a warm-up, along with other cardio activities.

The representative from the American Heart Association came and spoke to the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students. This was to kick-off our Jump Rope for Heart campaign. We will be jumping rope in class the next couple of weeks in support of this program.

With the weather starting to get nice, it is my hope that all students are taking advantage of the nice weather and are getting plenty of exercise that will create great physical fitness habits.

The Leisure Services track season is approaching with an April 1st registration deadline. It offers a great program for our students culminating at the city-wide elementary track meet at Dalzell on May 5th. It would be great to see Marshall represented with a large number of students. The meet not only offers running races, but also long jump and softball throw.

Mr. Osweiler